

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
APRIL 23, 2012
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2012-0102
5107 AVENUE H

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1938 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-and-a-half story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled frame house with a full-width independent porch; clipped gabled dormers do not appear to be original; single and paired windows, many have been replaced; metal roof. The property has a two-story garage apartment as well; this is not subject to the application for demolition.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1938 by J.L. Joseph, who does not appear to have ever lived here. The first known occupants were Oscar and Erla Clint, who are shown as renters in the 1941 city directory. He was a tire salesman. By 1944-45, the house was rented by O.L. and Bernice Berry; they eventually purchased the house and lived here until O.L. passed away in 1995. O.L. and Bernice Berry moved here from a rented house at 2809 Guadalupe Street and purchased the house around 1957. He ran a Gulf service station for many years – at first at 1701 Lavaca Street, and later at 3710 Jefferson Street.

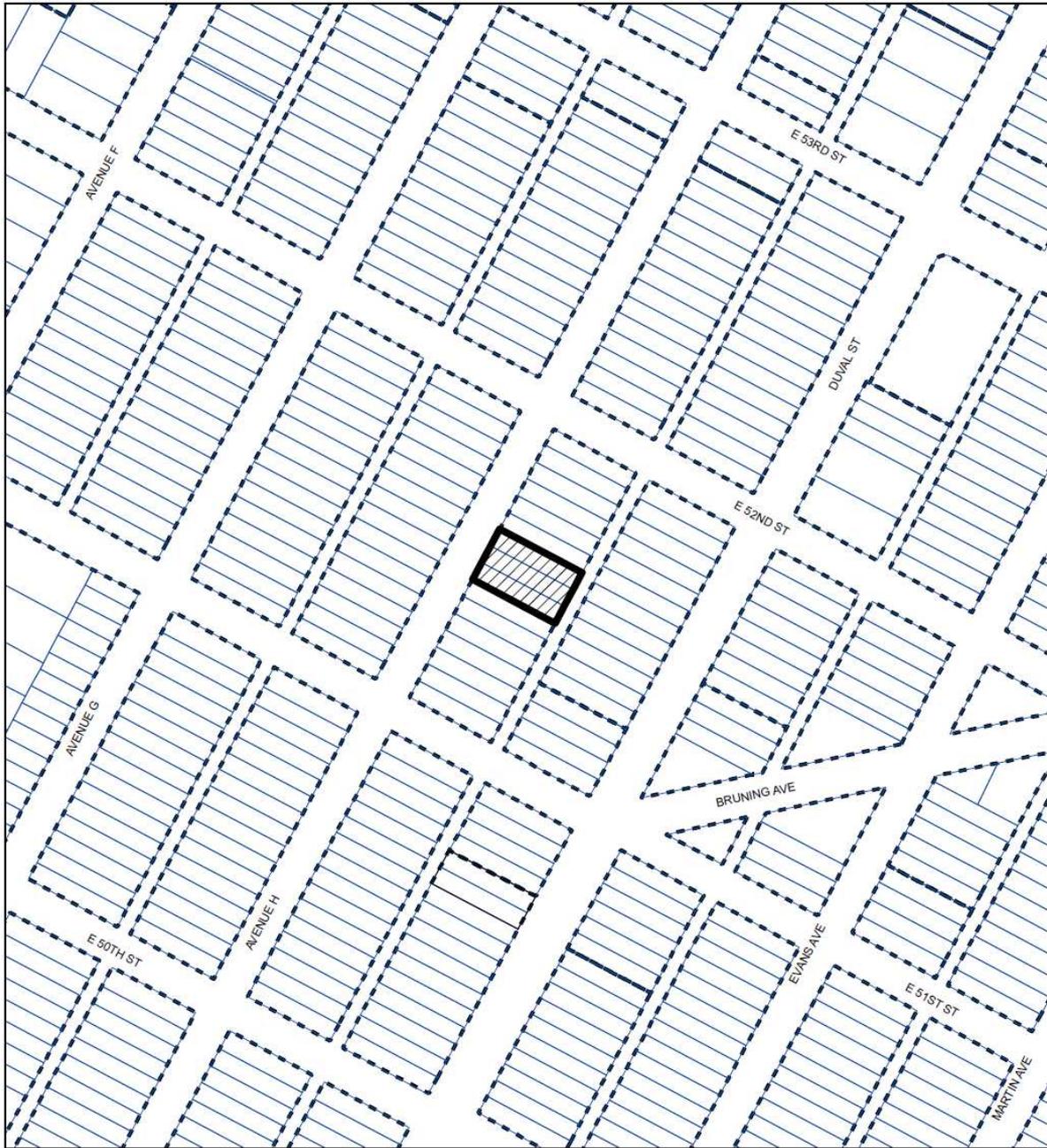
STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the bounds of any city survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the demolition permit. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2012-0102
LOCATION: 5107 Avenue H



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5107 Avenue H
ca. 1938





OCCUPANCY HISTORY 5107 Avenue H

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
April, 2012

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| 1992 | O.L. and Bernice H. Berry, owners
Retired
½: Vacant |
| 1985-86 | O.L. and Berneice H. Berry, owners
Retired
½: Tony Castillo, renter
Student
NOTE: The directory indicates that Tony Castillo was a new resident at this address. |
| 1981 | Orin L. and Bernice H. Berry, owners
Retired
½: Barry L. Loving, renter
No occupation listed
NOTE: The directory indicates that Barry L. Loving was a new resident at this address. |
| 1977 | O. Luther and Bernice Berry, owners
Salesman, Gulf Oil
½: Richard C. Childers, renter
Student |

- 1973 O. Luther and Bernice Berry, owners
Salesman, Gulf Oil
½: Richard C. Childers, renter
Student
- 1969 O. Luther and Bernice Berry, owners
Salesman, Gulf Oil
½: Daryl and Linda Hamilton, renters
U.S. Air Force
- 1963 O. Luther and Bernice Berry, owners
Proprietor, O.L Berry Gulf Service Station, 3710 Jefferson Street.
½: Garland and Toni Evans, renters
Clerk, 7-11 Dairy Store (several locations)
- 1958 O. Luther and Bernice Berry, owners
Proprietor, O.L. Berry Gulf Service Station, 1701 Lavaca Street.
½: Rodney and Patsy Michalk, renters
Employed by the Steck Company, printers and office furniture.
- 1955 O. Luther and Bernice Berry (not listed as owners)
Proprietor, O.L. Berry Gulf Service Station, 1701 Lavaca Street.
½: Newell G. and Doris Adair, renters
Sheet metal worker
- 1952 O. Luther and Bernice Berry, renters
Proprietor, O.L. Berry Gulf Service Station, 1701 Lavaca Street.
½: James A. and Betty J. Kaufman, renters
Driver, Brown Express, 209 E. 1st Street.
- 1949 Orin L. and Bernice Berry, renters
Proprietor, Berry's Gulf Service Station, 1701 Lavaca Street.
½: William D. and Juanita Wilson, renters
Student, University of Texas
- 1947 Orin L. and Bernice Berry, renters
Proprietor, Berry's Gulf Service Station, 1701 Lavaca Street.
½: Madison and Lillian Ottinger, renters
Student, University of Texas
- 1944-45 Orin L. and Bernice Berry, renters
Proprietor, Berry's Gulf Service Station, 1701 Lavaca Street.
½: Jay W. and Florence Bingham, renters
U.S. Navy
- 1941 Oscar C. and Erla Clint, renters
Salesman, Goodrich Silvertown, tires, 910 Lavaca Street.
NOTE: O.L. and Bernice Berry are listed as living at 2809 Guadalupe Street; he was the proprietor (with Horace T. Corley) of the Corley and Berry Service Station, 1701 Lavaca Street.
Rear: James E. and Margaret Carlson, renters
Auto trimmer, Murrah R. Withers, 510 Rio Grande Street.

1939 The address is not listed in the directory.

212 J. L. Joseph 5107 Avenue H. 7
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25 -

Highlands

Frame residence & box garage

216n - 2/21/38

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The 1930 U.S. Census report shows O.L. and Bernice Berry living at 1105 Navasota Street, a house they rented. O.L. was then 23; Bernice was then 25. Both had been born in Texas. O.L. was an employee of a refining company; Bernice was a school teacher. They had no children listed in the census report.

COUNTY, TEXAS 1992.



O.L. Berry

O.L. Berry, 88, a resident of Austin for 65 years, died Tuesday, May 29, 1995.

Loving son, brother, husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, he was a friend to all. He was born to John A. and Irene Jackson Berry, the fifth son of eight children. His parents, five siblings and an infant daughter, Jane, predeceased him.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 69 years, Berneice Helms Berry; brother, Leo Berry of Boerne; sister, Jonnie Reeves of Taylor; son, John (Sonny) Berry and wife Wanda; daughters, Joan Gauntt and husband Jim, and Judy Maples. Also surviving are seven grandchildren, Jamie Grigar and wife Lisa, Tesa Kelly, Julie Grigar, David Gauntt, Sheri Austin and husband Greg, Oren Berry and Lea Brownlow and husband Bill. Mourning his loss are eight great-grandchildren, Angela Kelly, Ian Grigar, James and Christina Gauntt, E.J. Berry, Ashley and Macey Austin and Cheyenne Brownlow.

A dedicated hunter, he was an athlete and life-long sports fan. Until the mid 1970's, he was the owner/operator of Gulf Service Stations at 1701 Lavaca and at Jefferson Creek Road.

The family will receive friends Wednesday evening from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM Thursday in the Colonial Chapel at Cook-Walden Funeral Home, Lamar location. Interment will be 3:00 PM at Taylor City Cemetery in Taylor.

Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Arrangements by Cook-Walden Funeral Home, 6100 North Lamar Blvd.

Obituary of O.L. Berry
Austin American-Statesman, May 31, 1995

Connection Charge \$ 1200

NO 14286B

Application for Sewer Connection.

Austin, Texas, 4/12 1938

To the Superintendent of Sewer and Public Improvements,
City of Austin, Texas

Sir:—

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions
on premises owned by 5107 I. L. Harris

at 5105 Ave. H Street,

further described as lot 23 24-25 block 15, outlot

subdivision Highlands, division _____, plat _____

which is to be used as a Res.

In this place there are to be installed COC fixtures.

I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance
charge.

2 DEEP Respectfully,
D.T. PL J. L. Harris

Stub Out _____

Connected 5-6 1938 Permit

Size of Main 6 inches.

Size of Service 4 inches. OK

6 Feet Deep in ST

26 Feet from Property Line OK, 5-5-38

Feet from Curb Line _____

Inspected by Boatright con 5-9-

Connection made by Morris S of N PL
9/15

OWNER Oren L. Berry ADDRESS 5107 Ave. H.

PLAT 212 LOT 23,24,25 BLK 15

SUBDIVISION The Highlands

OCCUPANCY Res.

BLD PERMIT # 95674 DATE 5/3/65 OWNERS ESTIMATE \$1,485.00

CONTRACTOR B. & G. Const Co. NO. OF FIXTURES none

WATER TAP REC # SEWER TAP REC #

Repair & remodel Frm. Res.

Install composition roof & aluminum siding

