HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION JUNE 23, 2014 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2014-0418 908 NUECES STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1946 medical office building and a ca. 1921 house, connected by a ca. 1951 addition.

ARCHITECTURE

The ca. 1946 medical office building is a one-story, rectangular-plan, flat-roofed, stoneveneered structure with single and paired wood-framed 2:2 windows; ornamental wall consisting of rows of round, hollow, terra cotta pieces perpendicular to the main front entrance. The ca. 1946 building was connected in 1951 to the ca. 1921 house at the south end of the lot. The connecting addition is a one-story, rectangular-plan, flat roofed, brick structure with divided-light picture-window style fenestration facing Nueces Street. The ca. 1921 house at the south of the now-connected building is a one-story, rectangular-plan, hipped roof, stuccoed frame structure with single and grouped 1:1 fenestration and an almost-full-width shed-roofed independent porch on paired plain wood posts.

RESEARCH

The ca. 1921 house was built by Robert J. and Eleanor Moore, who lived here until around 1930. Robert J. Moore was a farmer from Bastrop County, and moved back there after living in Austin. From around 1930 to around 1940, the house was owned and occupied by Reinhard and Lillie Franke. Reinhard Franke was the proprietor of several beer bottling and distributing businesses in Austin, including the Milwaukee Bottling Company and the Grand Prize Sales Company. From around 1941 to around 1946, the house was rented by Rex R. Fowler and his wife, Katherine. Fowler was a police captain. When Dr. Elmer C. Baum built a medical office building for his Austin Osteopathic Clinic at 601 W. 10th Street in 1946, the ca. 1921 house became his rental unit for nurses and other employees of the clinic. He built a connector between the two buildings in 1951, and after that <u>time, the house</u> was a part of the clinic rather than a residence.

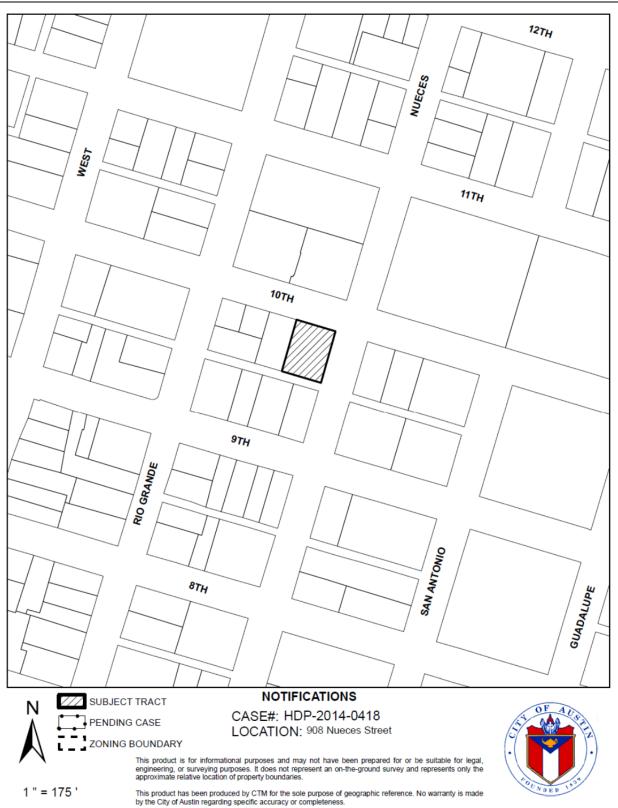
STAFF COMMENTS

The building does not appear in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center. While the building does not have sufficient architectural nor historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark, it is a good, if very modest, example of early mid-century Modern design and fits the scale of the neighborhood well.

LOCATION MAP



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OCCUPANCY HISTORY 601 W. 10th Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center By City Historic Preservation Office December, 2013

1992	601 W. 10 th Street: 908 Nueces Street:	The address is not listed in the directory. Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1985-86	601 W. 10 th Street:	Carl Wendlandt & Sons Real Estate Ted and Edward Wendlandt, proprietors Real estate, rentals, and loans
	908 Nueces Street:	Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1981	601 W. 10 th Street:	Murray Company Real Estate Mike Murray, president
		ULC Systems Word Processing Mill McCown, proprietor
	908 Nueces Street:	Griesbach Properties Real Estate Jerry Griesbach, proprietor Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.

1977	601 W. 10 th Street: 908 Nueces Street:	John B. Donovan, physician Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1973	601 W. 10 th Street: 908 Nueces Street:	John B. Donovan, physician NOTE: John B. and Maxine Donovan lived at 1718 Barton Springs Road, Lot J. Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1968	601 W. 10 th Street: 908 Nueces Street:	John B. Donovan, physician NOTE: John B. Donovan lived at 601 W. 11 th Street, Apt. 124.
	906 Nueces Street.	Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1962	601 W. 10 th Street:	John B. Donovan, osteo physician NOTE: John B. and Nell C. Donovan lived at 2515 Jarratt Avenue.
	908 Nueces Street:	Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1959	601 W. 10 th Street:	John B. Donovan, osteo physician NOTE: John B. and Nell Donovan lived at 2515 Jarratt Avenue.
	908 Nueces Street:	Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1955	601 W. 10 th Street:	John B. Donovan, physician NOTE: John B. and Nell C. Donovan lived at 2515 Jarratt Avenue.
	908 Nueces Street:	Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1952	601 W. 10 th Street:	John B. Donovan, physician NOTE: John B. and Nell C. Donovan lived at 2515 Jarratt Avenue.
	908 Nueces Street:	Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.
1949	601 W. 10 th Street:	John B. Donovan, physician NOTE: John B. and Nell Donovan lived at 2515 Jarratt Avenue.
	908 Nueces Street:	Elmer C. Baum, osteopathic physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.

1947	601 W. 10 th Street:	John B. Donovan, physician NOTE: John B. and Nell Donovan lived at 2515 Jarratt Avenue.
	908 Nueces Street:	Elmer C. Baum, physician NOTE: Elmer C. and Virginia Baum lived at 2510 Wooldridge Drive.

Neither address is listed in the directory.
 NOTE: John B. Donovan is listed as an osteo physician with offices at 301
 Tribune Building; he and Nell lived at 2212 Newfield Lane.
 NOTE: The building and utility permits for this address were issued to Dr. Elmer
 C. Baum, a physician who had his offices at 712 Tribune Building. Dr. Baum
 moved into the south half of this building (908 Nueces Street).

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

John B. Donovan (ca. 1946 – ca. 1980)

John B. and Nell Donovan appear in the 1940 U.S. Census; they were renting a house at 2212 Newfield Lane. John B. Donovan was then 43, had been born in Michigan, and was an osteopathic physician in private practice. Nell Donovan was then 41, and had been born in Michigan. She had no occupation listed. They had a 4-year old son, John, who had been born in Missouri. The family had lived in Kirksville, Missouri in 1935.

John B. Donovan, D.O.

John B. Donovan, D.O. age 90, of Austin, died Friday, October 24, 1986.

He was born in Flint, Michigan on June 3, 1896. He served in France during World War I from 1917 to 1919. In 1921 he graduated from Michigan State University, Engineering School. He graduated from Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery in Kirksville, Missouri in 1938, coming to Austin to practice until his retirement on June 1, 1979.

He was a life member in the American Osteopathic Association, Texas Osteopathic Medical Association, and TOMA District VII and honorary life member of Cranial Academy of American Academy of Osteopathy.

He was a member of St. Ignatius Gatholic Church and the Kiwanis Club.

Survivors include his widow, Maxine S. Donovan, Austin; one son, John C. Donovan and daughter-in-law, Anne R. Donovan; three grandsons, John P. Donovan, Peter L. Donovan and Miohael H. Donovan, all of Austin.

• Rosary will be recited at 7:00 PM, Sunday at Weed-Corley Funeral Home. Mass, 10:00 AM, Monday at Assumption Mausoleum Chapel. Burial in Mausoleum Assumption Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cranial Academy, 1140 W. 8th Street, Meridian, Idaho 83642 or St. Ignatius Building Fund, in lieu of flowers.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley Functional Home, 3125 N. Lamar. 452-8811.

Obituary of Dr. John B. Donovan' Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, October 26, 1986

Elmer C. Baum (ca. 1946 - ca. 2003)

Elmer C. and Virginia Baum appear in the 1940 U.S. Census for Uniontown, Bourbon County, Kansas. Elmer Baum was then 29, had been born in Nebraska, and was an osteopathic physician in private practice. Virginia Baum was then 27, had been born in Nebraska, and had no occupation listed. They had a daughter, Catherine, 2, who had been born in Kansas. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Elmer C. Baum as the 17-year old son of Emil and Mary Baum of Culbertson, Hitchcock County, Nebraska. Elmer had no occupation listed. His father, Emil, was

a Russian-born farmer and stockman. His mother, Mary, had also been born in Russia and had no occupation listed. All of his siblings listed in the census report had been born in Nebraska, and none had occupations listed.

Elmer Carl Baum, D.O. Elmer Baum, a beloved and dedicated Austin physician, passed away December 6, 2004 at the age of 92. He was born on a farm near Culbertson, Nebraska on September 15, 1912 and was one of five children. Dr. Baum, or "Doc" as he was fondly known by his patients and friends, worked his way through medical school as a night desk clerk at a Kansas City hotel. He received his professional degree from the College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City, Missouri in 1934. While in Kansas City, he met and married Virginia Lee Kuns in 1934. He began practicing medicine in Uniontown, Kansas and served as Uniontown's mayor for four years. In 1943, Doc and Virginia and their two children moved to Austin, Texas. He established a solo practice that was located at the corner of Nueces and West 10th Street for 60 years. During his career, he provided quality and caring medical services to numerous patients, including many elected and appointed government officials.

Dr. Baum served Texas and his profession in many capacities: he was appointed to the Texas State Board of Health in 1951 and served for 18 years; he was appointed to the Texas Banking Board in 1969; he was chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee from 1968 to 1970; he served as a member of the White House Conference on Health; he was a physician for the Texas Department of Public Safety from 1959-1980; he served as president of the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association and received its General Practitioner of the Year Award in 1958 and the Distinguished Serviced Award in 1995. He was also involved with his profession on a national level and served as vice president of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) and served on the AOA Bureau of Public Education on Health, the AOA Council on Federal Health Programs and the AOA Board of Trustees. In 1999, he received the AOA Distinguished Service Certificate. Dr. Baum was instrumental in the establishment of the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth and in its development as an academic health center. In honor of his efforts, the College awarded him its Founders Medal in 2002.

Doc was a member of the Excelsior Masonic Lodge # 115 Kansas, Royal Order of Jesters, and Ben Hur Shrine Temple. He was a long-time member of University Methodist Church and the Judge J.E. Hickman men's Sunday school class. He later attended Tarrytown Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by his cherished wife of 64 years, Virginia Kuns Baum, his brothers Jacob and Alfred, and his sisters Rachel and Viola. He is survived by his two children, Alan Carl Baum, M.D. of Houston, and Cynthia Baum Gerhardt of Austin; by his four grandchildren, Suzy Gerhardt Ranney and husband, Jack; Sharon Gerhardt; Alan Baum ("Roscoe") and Caroline Baum; by two great grandchildren, Carleton Ranney and Virginia Ranney; and by numerous nieces, nephews and close friends. Doc led a very active and

dynamic life that revolved around his family and friends, his medical practice, his church and community service, and hunting and ranching. He was a wonderful man, a loving father, grandfather and husband and a devoted friend.

Honorary pallbearers will be Amor Forwood, Tom Pollard, Gen. George Edwards, Pat Malone, Trey Garrison, Nash Phillips, Bill Norman, Rod Crosby, Norman Snow and Dr. Helmuth Goepfert. The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 9, 2004 at Weed-Corley- Fish Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, December 10, 2004, at Weed-Corley- Fish Chapel. Interment will follow at Austin Memorial Park. Special gratitude should be extended to his devoted office assistants, Pauline and Betty, and the caregivers of Angel Healthcare. Memorial contributions may be made to Lone Star Paralysis Foundation, P.O. Box 27128, Austin, Texas 78755 or to MD Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, Texas 77210.

Obituary of Dr. Elmer Baum Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, December 8, 2004

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Building permit to Dr. Elmer C. Baum for the construction of the building (1946)

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Sanitary sewer service permit to Dr. Elmer C. Baum for this building (1946)

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Building permit to Dr. Elmer C. Baum to construct the addition connecting 908 with 906 Nueces Street (1951)

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Building permit to Dr. Elmer C. Baum to remodel the building (1961)



Detail showing the ca. 1951 connecting addition between the house at 906 Nueces Street and the medical office building at 601 W. 10th Street.

OCCUPANCY HISTORY 906 Nueces Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center By City Historic Preservation Office June, 2014

1992	Joe Taylor, lawyer NOTE: Joe Taylor lived at 3300 Enfield Road.
1987	Boney & Larson, lawyers Stephen Boney and Christine Larson NOTE: Boney and Larson were married and lived at 2004 Stamford Lane.
1985-86	Gordon Karchmer, lawyer
	Boney & Larson, lawyers Stephen Boney and Christine Larson
1981	Thomas R. Gardner Real Estate Appraisal
1977	Tom Gardner Real Estate
	Jiles Jackson, building contractor
1975	Boyle & Yeager, lawyers James G. Boyle, John A. Yeager
1973	Realty Record Search, Inc. Rudolph Mendoza, proprietor
	Realty Tax Service, real estate tax title Jerry V. Jenkins, manager
1969	Hamilton, Hamilton & Associates, real estate
	Northwestern Life Insurance Company
1968	Vacant
1963	Travis County Tuberculosis Association
1962	Travis County Tuberculosis Association Mrs. Frances Calvert, executive secretary
1959	Austin Osteopathic Clinic Dr. Elmer C. Baum, osteo physician NOTE: Dr. Baum had his office at 908 Nueces Street.
1955	Austin Osteopathic Clinic Dr. Elmer C. Baum, osteo physician NOTE: Dr. Baum had his office at 908 Nueces Street.

1952 Austin Osteopathic Clinic Dr. Elmer C. Baum, osteo physician NOTE: Dr. Baum had his office at 908 Nueces Street.

> Mrs. Myrtle Lawrence Nurse, Austin Osteopathic Clinic

A: Ralph E. Farnsworth, osteopathic physician NOTE: Dr. Ralph E. and Mary E. Farnsworth lived at 5611 Shoal Creek Boulevard.

NOTE: In 1951, Dr. Baum obtained a building permit to construct an addition between this house and his office building at 908 Nueces Street / 601 W. 10th Street.

1949	Austin Osteopathic Clinic Dr. Elmer C. Baum, osteo physician NOTE: Dr. Baum had his office at 908 Nueces Street.				
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1947	Daniel P. and Daniel: Pauline:	Pauline Hester, renters Carpenter Office assistant, Dr. Elmer C. Baum, 908 Nueces Street.			
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1939	Reinhard L. and Lillie Franke, owners Proprietor (with Julius C. Gerke), Grand Prize Sales Company, wholesale beer, 121 Congress Avenue.				
1937		and Lillie Franke, owners th Julius C. Gerke), Milwaukee Bottling Company, 121-23 Congress			

1935	Reinhardt L. and Lillie Franke, owners Proprietor, Milwaukee Bottling Company, and Grand Prize Sales Company, 121- 23 Congress Avenue.
1932-33	Reinhardt L. and Lillie Franke, owners Proprietor (with Julius C. Gerke), Milwaukee Bottling Company, 300 Colorado Street.
1930-31	Frank E. and Lillie Arnold, owners No occupation listed
	Reinhard L. and Lillie Franke, owners Proprietor (with Julius C. Gerke), Milwaukee Bottling Company, 300 Colorado Street.
1929	Robert J. and Eleanor Moore, owners Farmer NOTE: Frank E. and Lillie Arnold are not listed in the directory. NOTE: Reinhard and Lillie Franke are listed at 910 Ruiz Street; he was the proprietor (with Julius C. Gerke) of Milwaukee Bottling Company, 300 Colorado Street.
1927	Robert J. and Eleanor B. Moore, owners Stockman
1924	Robert J. and Eleanor Moore, owners Farmer
1922	Robert J. and Eleanor Moore, owners Farmer
1920	The address is not listed in the directory – there are no houses between 9 th and 10 th Streets. NOTE: Robert J. and Ellen Moore are listed at 602 W. 6 th Street. He was a farmer.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Robert J. and Eleanor Moore (ca. 1921 – ca. 1930)

Robert J. and Elinor Moore appear in the 1910 U.S. Census for Bastrop County, Texas, where they lived with her parents, William S. and Martha Watson. Robert J. Moore was 32, had been born in Alabama, and was a livestock trader. Elinor Moore was 22, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a 1-year old daughter, Merle. Elinor's parents were farmers. The 1920 U.S. Census shows Robert J. and Elinor Moore renting a house at 602 W. 6th Street in Austin. Robert J. Moore was a rate clerk for the State Fire Insurance Department. Their daughter's name is listed here as Alma. With them lived Elinor's father, William S. Watson, a widower The 1930 U.S Census shows the family living in a house they owned at 907 E. 14th Street. Robert J. Moore was a stock farmer. Their daughter's name was listed again as Merle; she had no occupation listed.

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J. MOORE ELGIN, Oct. 26.-(Spl)-Robert J Moore, 72, died at his residence at 1213 Castle Hill, Austin, early Wednesday. He formerly was a farmer at McDade before his retirement. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a. m. Thursday at McDade Baptist Church with the Rev. T. L Holt and Dr. Blake Smith officiatwill be in McDade ing. Burial Cemetery under the direction of the Miller Funeral Home of Elgin. Survivors include a daughter. Mrs. Muriel Smith of Austin, and a brother, Dr. Joe Moore of Birmingham, Ala.

Obituary of Robert J. Moore Austin American, October 27, 1949

Reinhard and Lillie Franke (ca. 1930 – ca. 1940)

Reinhard and Lillie Franke appear in the 1930 U.S. Census as the owners of this house, which was worth \$5,000. Reinhard Franke was 44, had been born in Texas to German-born parents, and was the owner of a bottling works. Lillie Franke was 40, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had an 11-year old daughter, Dorothy Ann, who had been born in Texas. The 1940 U.S. Census shows Reinhard and Lillie Franke as the owners of this house, which was worth \$6,000. Reinhard Franke was listed as a wholesale beer distributor. Lillie Franke had no occupation listed. They had no children listed with them.

R. L. FRANKE

R. L. Franke, 79, of 1810 Ashby died in a local hospital Wednesday evening. He was a retired merchant, member of St. Martins Lutheran Church and had been a resident 35 years. Survivors include his widow, Lillie: daughter, Mrs. M. E. Adcock, Austin; brother, John Franke, Abilene: three sisters, Mrs. Bruno Kupatt, Fredericks-Paul Pfeiffer. Mrs. burg. Apache, Okla. and Mrs. W. H. Wichita / Falls: and Spiser. grandson. Howard Terry Adcock, Dallas. Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Fri-

day at Hyltin-Manor Funeral Home with Rev. Edward V. Long officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Hill Park.

Obituary of Reinhard L. Franke Austin <u>American</u>, October 15, 1964

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Obituary of Lilie Franke Austin <u>American</u>, December 10, 1971

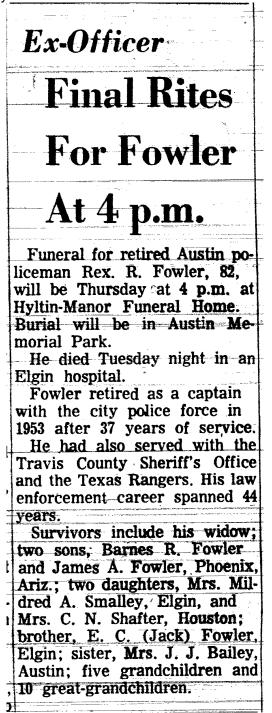
MRS. LILLIE FRANKE

Funeral for Mrs. Lillie Franke, 83, will be Sunday at 2 p.m. at St. Martin's Lutheran Church J. Adix with Rev. Robert officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Hill Cemetery under direction of Cook-Walden Funeral Home. Pallbearers will be T. B. Raymond Jr., Bailey, Trautwein, Dan W. Crowley, J. E. Rogers, Howard Adcock and Clarke Blankenship _

Funeral notice for Lillie Franke Austin <u>American</u>, December 11, 1971

Rex R. and Katherine Fowler (ca. 1941 - ca. 1946)

Rex and Katherine Fowler appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the renters of an apartment at 209 Academy Drive. Rex Fowler was 57, had been born in Texas, and was a captain of the detectives in the Austin Police Department. Katherine Fowler was 54, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. Their son, Barnes, 27, and his wife, Faye, 21, lived with them. Barnes Fowler was a deputy sheriff.



Obituary of Rex R. Fowler Austin <u>American</u>, July 29, 1965

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