

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JUNE 23, 2014
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2014-0369
1805 HOLLY STREET**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1949 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, front-gabled frame house with synthetic siding; large multi-light picture window dominates the front façade.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1949 by Gordy Swanson, a watchmaker from Minnesota, who had his shop here as well. Members of the Swanson family, including Roy Swanson, another watchmaker and clock repairman, lived in the house until around 1980. It has been a rental unit since that time.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house 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.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

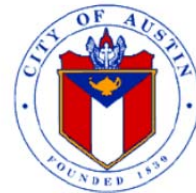
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LOCATION: 1805 Holly Street

1" = 167'

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1805 Holly Street
ca. 1949



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 1805 Holly Street

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

1992	Rev. Graciela H. Stanley, renter Retired
1985-86	Guadalupe Ramirez, renter Retired
1981	No return
1977	Evelyn Swanson, owner Retired NOTE: The directory indicates that Evelyn Swanson was a new resident at this address.
1973	Vacant
1968	Roy and Mary Swanson, renters No occupation listed
1962	Roy and Mary Swanson, owners Watch repair (at the house)

- 1959 Roy and Mary Swanson, owners
Clock repairman
- 1955 Gordy Swanson, owner
Watch repair
NOTE: Roy and Minnie Swanson are listed at 1807 Holly Street; he had no occupation listed.
- 1952 Gordy Swanson, owner
Watchmaker
NOTE: Roy and Minnie Swanson are listed at 1807 Holly Street; he was a student.
- 1949 Neither 1805 nor 1807 Holly Street are listed in the directory. Neither Gordy nor Roy Swanson are listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Gordy Swanson (ca. 1949 – ca. 1957)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Gordy and Evelyn Swanson living in a rented house in Hanley Falls, Minnesota with their mother, Christina Swanson. Gordy Swanson was 31, had been born in Minnesota, and was a jeweler at the family house. Evelyn Swanson, his sister, was 29, had been born in Minnesota, and had no occupation listed. Their mother, a 65-year old widow, had been born in Sweden and had no occupation listed.

Gordy Swanson's 1978 death certificate shows that he was a watch repairman who had been born in Clarksfield, Minnesota in 1908. His sister was Evelyn Swanson.

**SWANSON, Gordy, 69, 1805 Holly,
died Friday. Services 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday at John Lynner Funeral
Home in Clarksfield, Minn. Burial,
Swede Prairie Township Cemetery
in Swede Paririe, Minn. (Cook-Wal-
den)**

Obituary of Gordy Swanson
Austin American-Statesman, June 13, 1978

Gordy C. Swanson 1805 Holly Street
16 33 59 59 0
~~20-A~~
Popes Resub.
Frame residence.
41572 7-28-49 \$4000.00
Owner

Building permit to Gordy C. Swanson for the construction of this house (1949)

WATER SERVICE PERMIT
Austin, Texas

Received of EVELYN SWANSON Date 9-5-52
Address 1805 HOLLY ST.
Amount TWENTY + 100
Plumber C. M. SHARP Size of Tap 3/4"

Date of Connection 9-15-52
Size of Tap Made 3/4"
Size Service Made 3/4"
Size Main Tapped 6" C.F.
From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 7.5'
From Prop. Line to Curb Cock
Location of Meter CURB
Type of Box 4" P.D.B.
Depth of Main in St. 3'
Depth of Service Line 2'
From Curb Cock to Tap on Main 18'
Checked by Engr. Dept. 10-13-52

No.	Fittings	Size
1	Curb Cock	5/8"
1	Elbow	3/4" C.P.
1	St. Elbow	3/4" S.C.P.
1	Pushing	3/4" C.P.
1	Reducer	3/4" C.P.
20	Pipe	3/4" C.P.
1	Lead Comp.	
1	Nipples	
1	Union	
1	Plug	
1	Fee	
1	Stop	
1	Box	
1	Lid	
1	Valves	
1	Job No.	W-323-502
1	Req. No.	2-100

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Water service permit by Evelyn Swanson for this address (1952)

Receipt No. 18919 Application for Sewer Connection No. 30530
Austin, Texas, 9-5-1952

To the Superintendent of Sanitary Sewer Division, City of Austin, Texas.

Sir:—
I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by Evelyn Swanson at 1805 Holly St. Street,
further described as Lot 33 Block 59 Outlot 59 Division 0
subdivision Popes Resub Plat 20A which is to be used as a Res.
In this place there are to be installed — fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 1423-A
I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge. OK 9-16-52

Depth at Prop. Line 3
Stub Out Connected 11' E. Holly
Date 9-18-52
By Amara

Respectfully,
C. M. Sharp

NOTE: Connection Instruction 6" San. in Alley + 4" San.
Main 6' 5" of Fence

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Sewer connection application by Evelyn Swanson for this address (1952)

OWNER Gordy Swanson ADDRESS 1805 Holly St.
PLAT 16 LOT 33 BLK 59
SUBDIVISION Popes
OCCUPANCY Residence
BLD PERMIT #132419 DATE 10-17-72 OWNERS ESTIMATE \$900.00
CONTRACTOR Manuel Hughes NO. OF FIXTURES several
WATER TAP REC # Exist SEWER TAP REC # Exist
Repair a res and bring to min stdrs.
Building permit to Gordy Swanson to repair the house (1972)