

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
OCTOBER 27, 2014
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2014-0842
3900 CHERRYWOOD ROAD**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1950 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, wing-and-gable plan, brick-veneered minimal traditional frame house with a partial-width shed-roofed independent porch on ornamental metal supports; single and paired 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1950 by Hickman T. Baker, a local carpenter, who lived on Breeze Terrace. The first owners and occupants of the house were Bruce and Rhudell Allen, who lived here until around 1953. Bruce Allen was an assistant State Attorney General. Annie Giles owned and occupied the house from the mid-1950s until the early 1970s. She was a single woman whose family had been in the wallpaper business for many years in Austin. During the time she lived here, she was either listed as retired or with no occupation. Lee E. Thompson, a technician for IBM who then worked as an engineering aide at the State Highway Department, was the owner and occupant of the house with his wife, Bessie, through the 1990s.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house does not appear in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage adaptive re-use and retention of the house if feasible; otherwise, 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. The house has neither the historical nor the architectural significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2014-0842

LOCATION: 3900 Cherrywood Dr

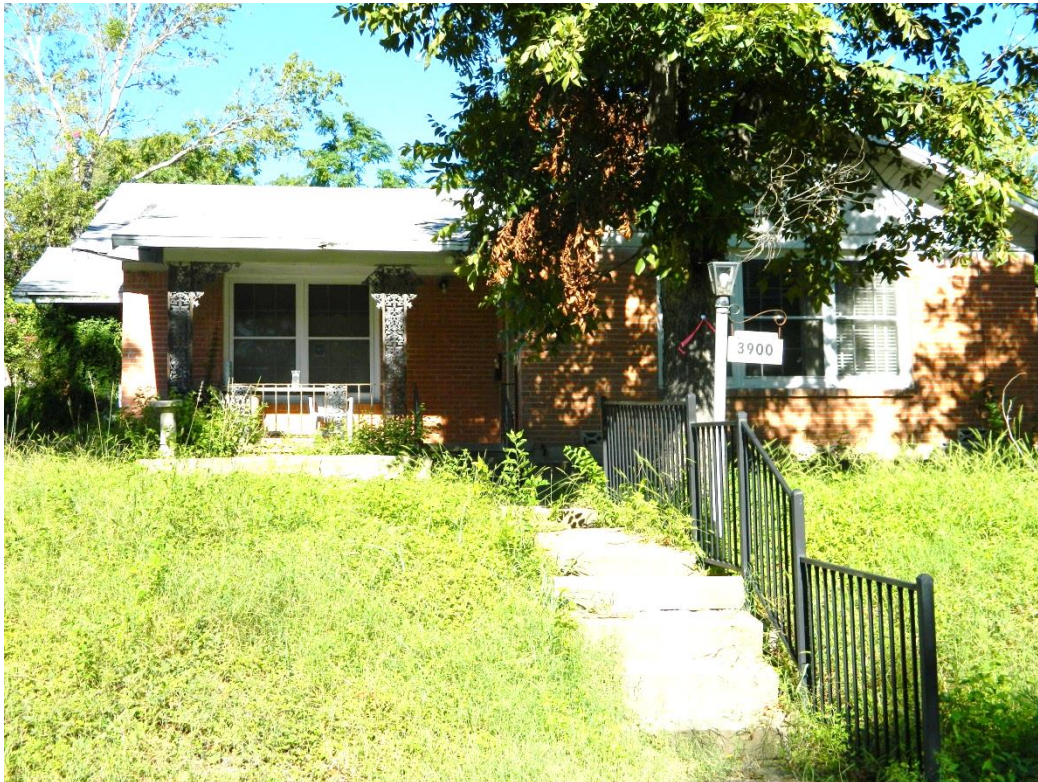
1" = 161'

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3900 Cherrywood Road
ca. 1950



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
3900 Cherrywood Road

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

1992	Lee E. and Bessie L. Thompson, owners Retired
1985-86	Lee E. and Bessie L. Thompson, owners Retired
1981	Lee E. and Bessie L. Thompson, owners Engineering aide, State Highway Department
1977	Lee E. and Bessie L. Thompson (not listed as owners) Technician, IBM
1973	Lee E. Thompson, renter Technician, IBM NOTE: Lee E. and Bessie L. Thompson appear in the 1959 city directory; they lived at 2211 E. 9 th Street. He was a porter for the State Highway Department. The 1957 directory shows him as a laborer for the State Highway Department.
1968	Annie T. Giles, owner Retired

- 1962 Annie T. Giles, owner
No occupation listed
- 1959 Annie T. Giles, owner
No occupation listed
- 1955 Annie T. Giles, owner
No occupation listed
- 1952 Bruce and Rhudell Allen, owners
Assistant, State Attorney General's Office
NOTE: Annie Giles is listed at 706 W. 22nd Street; she had no occupation listed.
- 1949 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Bruce and Rhudelle Allen are listed at 1608 Wilshire Boulevard; he was an assistant in the State Attorney General's Office.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Annie Giles (ca. 1953 – ca. 1970)

Annie Giles appears in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owner of the house at 706 W. 22nd Street, which was worth \$3,500. She was 58, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. She lived alone. The 1930 U.S. Census shows her as the daughter of Mrs. Val Giles, at 710 W. 22nd Street. Annie's mother was a 79-year old Texas-born widow with no occupation listed. Annie Giles had a wallpaper business from the house. The family had a housekeeper who lived in the house with them. The 1920 U.S. Census shows Val Giles and Annie B. Giles at 710 W. 22nd Street. Val Giles was a wallpaper merchant. Annie had an indecipherable occupation. The 1910 U.S. Census shows Val and Lou Giles at 710 W. 22nd Street. Val was in the wallpaper business. Annie lived with them and had no occupation listed. With them also lived Val and Lou's son, Val, Jr., who was also in the wallpaper business, and Val, Jr.'s wife, Mamie, who had no occupation listed.

**~~GILES, Annie Barnhart, 96, 706 W.
22nd St., died Tuesday. Graveside servi-
ces 2:30 p.m. today at Oakwood Ceme-
tery. (Weed-Corley)~~**

Obituary of Annie Giles
Austin American-Statesman, May 3, 1978

H. T. Baker
236 21

3900 Cherrywood Rd.

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Willowbrook

Brick veneer residence with carport att
44524 5-11-50 \$8500.00

Owner

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Building permit to H.T. Baker for the construction of this house (1950)

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WATER SERVICE PERMIT

Austin, Texas

No. 236 6207

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Received of H. T. BAKER Date 5-18-50

Address 3900 CHERRYWOOD RD

Amount TWENTY + NO/100 \$ 20.00

Plumber BASEY Size of Tap 3/4"

Date of Connection 6-30-50

Size of Tap Made 3/4"

Size Service Made 3/4"

Size Main Tapped 8"

From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 7.5'

From S - Prop. Line to Curb Cock 4.9'

Location of Meter CURB

Type of Box LOCU

Depth of Main in St. 3

Depth of Service Line 2

From Curb Cock to Tap on Main Over main

Checked by Engr. Dept. 8-7-50 R.A.H.

No. Fittings	Size
1 Curb Cock	5/8"
1 Elbow	3/4" Curb
1 St. Elbow	3/4" Success
1 Basting	3/4" Curb
1 Reducer	3/4" Curb
4 Pipe	3/4" Curb
Lead Comp.	
Nipples	
Union	
Plug	1 1/2"
1 Tee	1 1/2"
1 Stop	1 1/2"
Box	20" x 20"
Lid	
Valves	
Job No.	W-323-502
Per. No.	W-15-1000

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Water service permit for this address (1950)

Austin, Texas, 5-18-1950

Sir:—

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by
H. P. Baker at 3900 Chervinwood Red Street,
 further described as Lot 21 Block A Outlot — Division —
 subdivision Willowbrook Plat 236, which is to be used as a Res
 In this place there are to be installed 5 fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 393K3
 I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge.

Depth at Prop. Line 2'

Respectfully,

Stub ~~Out~~ } 3' N of SLL
Connected }
(Location)

Date 7-19-50

By

NOTE: Connection Instruction

6" Stub at HLL. 4705

16 " ATSLC 477J

Sewer connection application for this address (1950)