

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 27, 2014  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
HDP-2014-0907  
811 KINNEY AVENUE**

**PROPOSAL**

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Relocate a ca. 1932 house.

**ARCHITECTURE**

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One-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled frame cottage with a central, front-gabled entry hood with a segmental-arched intrados; single 1:1 fenestration; standing-seam metal roof.

**RESEARCH**

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The house was built in 1932; the first occupant was Abram Coker, who rented the house for about a year or so. By 1934, the house was owned and occupied by Harvey R. and Lora M. Smith, who lived here until the mid-1940s. Harvey R. Smith was a native of Burnet County, and worked as a driver for an ice company while he and Lora lived in this house. The house was vacant in the mid-1940s, then owned by a widow, Ellen Swenson, through the late 1940s. Mrs. Swenson worked for the Capitol Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company on Barton Springs Road. The house has been a rental unit since that time, with a variety of tenants, including a consultant, a saleslady at a women's clothing store, a welder, and a clerk at Whole Earth Provision Company.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

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The house does not appear in any City survey.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

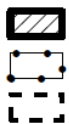
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The house is proposed for relocation within the same neighborhood, and does not have the necessary architectural or historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark. Release the permit and applaud the applicants for relocating the house within the same neighborhood where it will be re-used and retain its neighborhood context.

## LOCATION MAP



1" = 166'



SUBJECT TRACT

PENDING CASE

ZONING BOUNDARY

## NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2014-0907  
LOCATION: 811 Kinney Ave.

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811 Kinney Avenue  
ca. 1932



OCCUPANCY HISTORY  
811 Kinney Avenue

From City Directories, Austin History Center  
Prepared by the City Historic Preservation Office  
October, 2014

1992	Vacant
1985-85	Bob and Charlene McCalpin, renters No occupation listed
1981	Keith Guillory, renter Clerk, Whole Earth Provision Company, 2410 San Antonio Street. NOTE: The directory indicates that Keith Guillory was a new resident at this address.
1977	Vacant
1973	Pat and Charlotte Wilson, renters Employed by Amtex Supply, plumbing supplies, 401 E. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street.
1968	Johnny D. and Ann Bean, renters Welder
1962	W. Rube and Estella Crawford, renters

- No occupation listed
- 1959 Louise T. Kimbrough, renter  
Widow, Harry L. Kimbrough  
Saleslady, Salle Ann Shop, women's clothing, 800 Congress Avenue.
- 1955 Elva M. Hill, owner  
Not listed in the directory
- 1952 Stanley and Martha M. Cameron, renters  
Consultant
- 1949 Ellen Swenson, owner  
Widow, Robert Swenson  
Employed by Capitol Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company, 801 Barton Springs Road and 301 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street.
- 1947 Ellen Swenson, owner  
Widow, Robert Swenson  
Checker, Capitol Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company, 801 Barton Springs Road.
- 1944-45 Vacant  
NOTE: It is not clear if Ellen Swenson is listed in the directory. There are two listings for an Ellen Swenson, but neither is a widow, and neither was employed by Capitol Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company.
- 1941 Harvey R. and Lora M. Smith, owners  
Driver
- 1939 Harvey R. and Lora M. Smith, owners  
Driver
- 1937 Harvey R. and Lora M. Smith, owners  
Salesman  
Also listed is Abram Coker, no occupation stated.
- 1935 Abram Coker, renter  
No occupation listed  
NOTE: Harvey R. and Lora Smith are listed at 2118 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street; he was a driver for American Service Company, ice, 107 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- 1932-33 The address is not listed in the directory.  
NOTE: Abram Coker is not listed in the directory.

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

### Harvey R. and Lora M. Smith (ca. 1936 – ca 1943)

Harvey R. and Lora Smith appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owners of this house, which was worth \$2,500. Harvey R. Smith was 32, had been born in Texas, and was the proprietor of a retail (illegible) business. Lora Smith was 32, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 4 sons: J.L., 14; Doyle Ray, 9; Bobby, 7; and Tommy Allen, 2. All the boys had been born in Texas. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Harvey R. and Lora M. Smith as the renters of a house in Burnet County, Texas, where Harvey was listed as a general farmer.

**SMITH, Harvey R., 74, 8018 Decker Lane, died Monday. Services 11 a.m. today at Cook-Walden Funeral Home. Burial, Bear Creek Cemetery in Bertram.**

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Obituary of Harvey R. Smith  
Austin American-Statesman, February 25, 1981

**Lora Kincheloe Smith**

Lora Kincheloe Smith, 78, of 8018 Decker Lane Austin died Saturday. She was a member of the University

Hills Church of Christ, and was a retired employee of the Travis State School.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM Tuesday in the Colonial Chapel of the Cook-Walden Funeral Home, with Mr. Frank Dunn and Mr. J.D. Pinkerton officiating. Interment will be in the Bear Creek Cemetery Bertram.

Mrs. Smith was the mother of John Smith of Austin, Doyle Smith of Rosanky, Bob Smith of Austin, Tommy Smith of Austin; sister of Wayne Kincheloe of Austin, Adele Cole of Bertram, Eileen Williams of Corpus Christi, Leva Hunt of Austin, Lila Gardner of Georgetown, Bessie Rhemann of Austin; grandmother of ten; and great-grandmother of nine.

Pallbearers for the services include her grandsons: Mike Smith, Gavin Smith, Kirk Smith, Larry Smith, Cal Smith, Bobby Smith, Jr., Steve Smith, Jackle Payne, Scott Smith, and Greg Smith.

Arrangements by Cook-Walden Funeral Home.

Obituary of Lora Smith  
Austin American-Statesman, September 15, 1985

Unless the Plumbing is done in strict accordance with City Ordinances, do not turn on the water.

## PERMIT FOR WATER SERVICE

AUSTIN, TEXAS

No.

1218105

M. Joe E. Purser

Address

613 Kinney Ave

Plumber

Crisdale

Size of Tap

1/2

Date

6-7-32CHANGED TO 24" MAIN AND RENEWEDSERVICE WITH 1/2" COPPER ON 8-2022Date of Connection 6/30/32Size of Tap Made 1/2"Size Service Made 1/2"Size Main Tapped 1"From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 4'6"From S, Prop. Line to Curb Cock 8'6"Location of Meter at curbType of Box castDepth of Main in St. 20"Depth of Service Line 20"From Curb Cock to Tap on Main 31'6"Checked by Engr. Dept. 8-3-32 JCA

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Foreman's Report	
No. Fittings	Size.
2	Curb Cock 1 1/2"
1	Elbow 1 1/2"
1	St. Elbow 1 1/2"
1	Bushing 1 1/2"
1	Reducer 1 1/2"
1	Pipe 1 1/2"
1	Lead Comb 1 1/2"
1	Nipples 1 1/2"
1	Union 1 1/2"
1	Plug 1 1/2"
1	Tee 1 1/2"
1	Stop 1 1/2"
1	Box 1 1/2"
1	Lid 1 1/2"
1	Valves 1 1/2"
1	Req. No. 3256

Foreman's Signature

Burner

BY W.R. HOPPER  
TO TAP 1" WATER MAIN

Water service permit for this address (1932)

Connection Charge \$ 19.00  
 Application for Sewer Connection. Add # 3071 N 14142A  
 Austin, Texas, 3/14 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 H R Smith  
 at 811 Kinney Ave Street  
 further described as lot 5, block \_\_\_\_\_, outlot \_\_\_\_\_  
 subdivision 11 Costley's Sub division \_\_\_\_\_, plat 110  
 which is to be used as a Res  
 In this place there are to be installed Co C fixtures.  
 I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance  
 charge. Respectfully  
Harvey R. Smith  
Connected to Main  
Stub Out  
 Connected 7-27 1940 Permit PL  
 Size of Main 6 inches. 7-25-40  
 Size of Service 4 inches. OV  
3 1/2 Feet Deep 5T  
4 1/2 Feet from Property Line Long 46 in  
 Feet from Curb Line 47 SL 6  
 Inspected by Boatright  
 Connection made by W. D. A. F. L.  
13861 R-1111 V

Sewer connection application by Harvey R. Smith (1938)