

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
DECEMBER 15, 2014
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2014-1069
4702 LESLIE AVENUE**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1951 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled brick-veneered house with a minimal entry hood and metal-framed multi-light casement windows; front-gabled frame carport extends from the front of the house.

RESEARCH

The house appears to have been built around 1951, but there is no extant building permit for its construction. There is a water service permit to a home-building investment company dated 1951, and a sewer service permit for this address dating from 1960. The house was not listed in the 1952 city directory, and the 1955 city directory shows it as vacant. Mayze Fowler, a concrete contractor, is listed as the owner and occupant of the house from around 1957 to around 1975; he died in Texas City, Texas in 1979. The house was vacant in the late 1970s and early 1980s, and has been a rental property since that time.

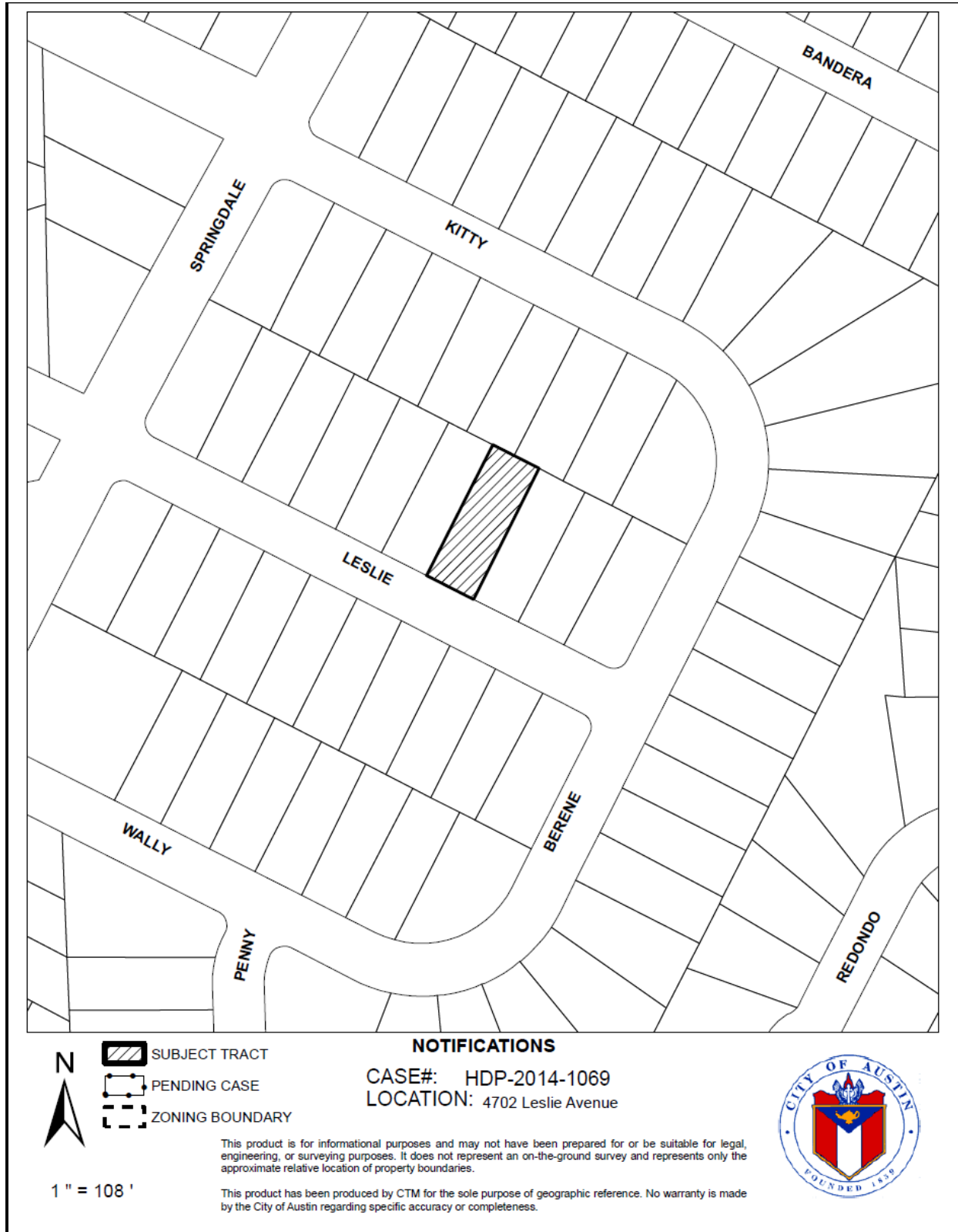
STAFF COMMENTS

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. While the house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark, it is a good example of a very modest, developer-built house of the post-World War II era that conformed to the style of small, single-family houses of the era.

LOCATION MAP



4702 Leslie Avenue
ca. 1951



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
4702 Leslie Avenue

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

1992	Dora Collins, renter Retired
1985-86	Ronnie and Norma Harris, renters Employed by the City of Austin NOTE: The directory indicates that Ronnie and Norma Harris were new residents at this address.
1981	Vacant
1977	Vacant
1973	Mayze and Jayne Fowler, owners Concrete contractor, patios, driveways curbs, foundations and gutters, "No job too large or too small" – office at the house. NOTE: Mayze and Jayne Fowler were married in 1971 and divorced in 1975.
1968	Mayze Fowler, owner Concrete contractor

- 1962 Mayze Fowler, owner
Concrete contractor
- 1959 Mayze Fowler, owner
Nurse
- 1957 Mayze and Alfreda Fowler, owners
Carpenter
NOTE: Mayze and Lorene Fowlerk, Jr are listed at 1801 Clifford Avenue; he was a construction worker.
- 1955 Vacant
NOTE: There is a listing for Mayze and Lorena Fowler at 1801 Clifford Avenue, but this may be Mayze Fowler, Jr.; he was a carpenter.
- 1952 The street is not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Mayze Fowler (ca. 1957 – ca. 1975)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Mayze and Ethel Fowler as the renters of the house at 2004 New York Avenue in Austin. Mayze Fowler was 31, had been born in Texas, and was a construction laborer. Ethel Fowler was 26, had been born in Tedas, and was a maid in a private home. They had 3 children: Louise, 9; Mayze, Jr., 7; and Robert, 5. All the children had been born in Texas. With them lived Ethel Fowler's brother, Cornelius Humphries, a 33-year old Texas-born widower who was a farm laborer. The 1920 U.S. Census shows that Maze Flower was the son of Sam and Madie Fowler who rented a farm on the Del Valle-Garfield Road in rural Travis County. Maze was third of the couple's 8 children. Maze's parents were both listed as farm laborers. None of the children had an occupation listed.

Mayze Fowler died in Texas City, Texas on February 18, 1979. His death certificate indicates that he was born July 18, 1908 and was a construction contractor. He had lived in Texas City for the 6 years prior to his death, and was a widower. He was buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Austin.

**FOWLER, Mayze, Sr., 70, of
Austin, died Sunday. Services pend-
ing at Fuller-Sheffield Funeral
Home.**

Death notice for Mayze Fowler

Austin American-Statesman, February 21, 1979

No other obituary or death notice appeared in the Austin newspapers.

WATER SERVICE PERMIT

Austin, Texas

C No. 8252

Received of FIRST-AUSTIN INC CORP Date 1-15-51Address 4702 LESLIE AVEAmount TWENTY FIVE + NO/100 \$ 25.00Plumber Reimer - Christianson Size of Tap 3/4"Date of Connection 7-21-54

Size of Tap Made

Size Service Made

Size Main Tapped

From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 7.5'

From Prop. Line to Curb Cock

Location of Meter CURBType of Box LOCW

Depth of Main in St.

Depth of Service Line

From Curb Cock to Tap on Main

Checked by Engr. Dept. 8-16-54 912

Size	No. Fittings	Curb Cock	Elbow	St. Elbow	Bushing	Reducer	Pipe	Lead Comp.	Nipples	Union	Plug	Tee	Stop	Box	Lid	Valves	Job No.	Per. No.
																	<u>24-323-502</u>	<u>4-1011</u>

Water service permit for this address (1951)

SANITARY SEWER SERVICE PERMIT

Austin, Texas

No. 33697 ✓

Received of Mayze Fowler Date 4.5.60Address 4702 Leslie AveAmount Fifty + NO/100 \$ 50.00Builder or Owner Mayze Fowler Plumber Yates WhiteLot 112 Block 20 Subdivision Cedar Valley Plat No. 35-8Date of Connection 4-13-60By City Ed WILBy Plumber 0Checked By CampusSize Main 8" Depth ±6'Main Assign. 20' 58' NPLStub Depth 2' Prop. Line 2'Stub Location to h.o. @ WLLBook No. A-5020Paving Cut 11-860 No. \$695

No. Fittings	Size	Price
1	Pipe 6"	150
1	Wyes	98
1	Bends 6"	98
	Reducers	
	Plugs	
	Sand	
	Gravel	
	Remix	
	Stoppers	
	Castings	
	Other 1 Day	98
Labor:	12 hrs	1500
	1-1/2 hrs	240
	1-1/2 hrs	150
Total		2223.6

Sewer service permit to Mayze Fowler for this house (1960)