

18 June 2015

Mr. Steve Sadowsky
Austin Historic Preservation Office
One Texas Center, 505 Barton Springs Road, 5th Floor
Austin, Texas 78704

RE: 702 Jessie Street, Demolition Permit Application

Dear Mr. Sadowsky,

As architect of record for the homeowner, Sergio Alcocer, I am writing in support of the request to demolish the house at 702 Jessie Street. It is our hope the Historic Landmark Commission will take into account the following:

- The existing house, built in 1951 with subsequent additions, shows little architectural significance that would merit preservation. (see Exhibit 'A')
- The soil conditions are poor; the existing foundation is a pier and beam sitting on 11-15 feet of clay. As a result, the house is significantly out of level, which is causing masonry cracking and wood rot. There are level changes inside as a result of substandard additions.
- The proposed new house provides more pervious cover for protected trees. (see Exhibit 'B') On the south side of the property, a 27" Red Oak exists a few feet from the existing house. The proposed house is clear of the required 1/2 critical root zone of this tree.
- The proposed new house is designed to fit in with scale and materials of the neighborhood. (see Exhibit 'C') The owners are recent 'empty nesters' and are looking forward to establishing their family house in Zilker.

thank you,

Rick Black

attachments: Exhibits A,B,C

OUTLINED AREA REPRESENTS
PROPOSED NEW HOUSE

22" RED OAK

SHADED AREA REPRESENTS
EXISTING HOUSE TO BE REMOVED

carport

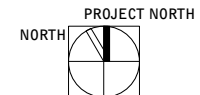
driveway

JESSIE STREET

28" RED OAK

19" RED OAK

27" RED OAK



1 SITE PLAN EXISTING / LEVEL ONE FLOOR PLAN PROPOSED

EXH. B SCALE: 1" = 20'

NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

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NEW RESIDENCE
ALCOCER

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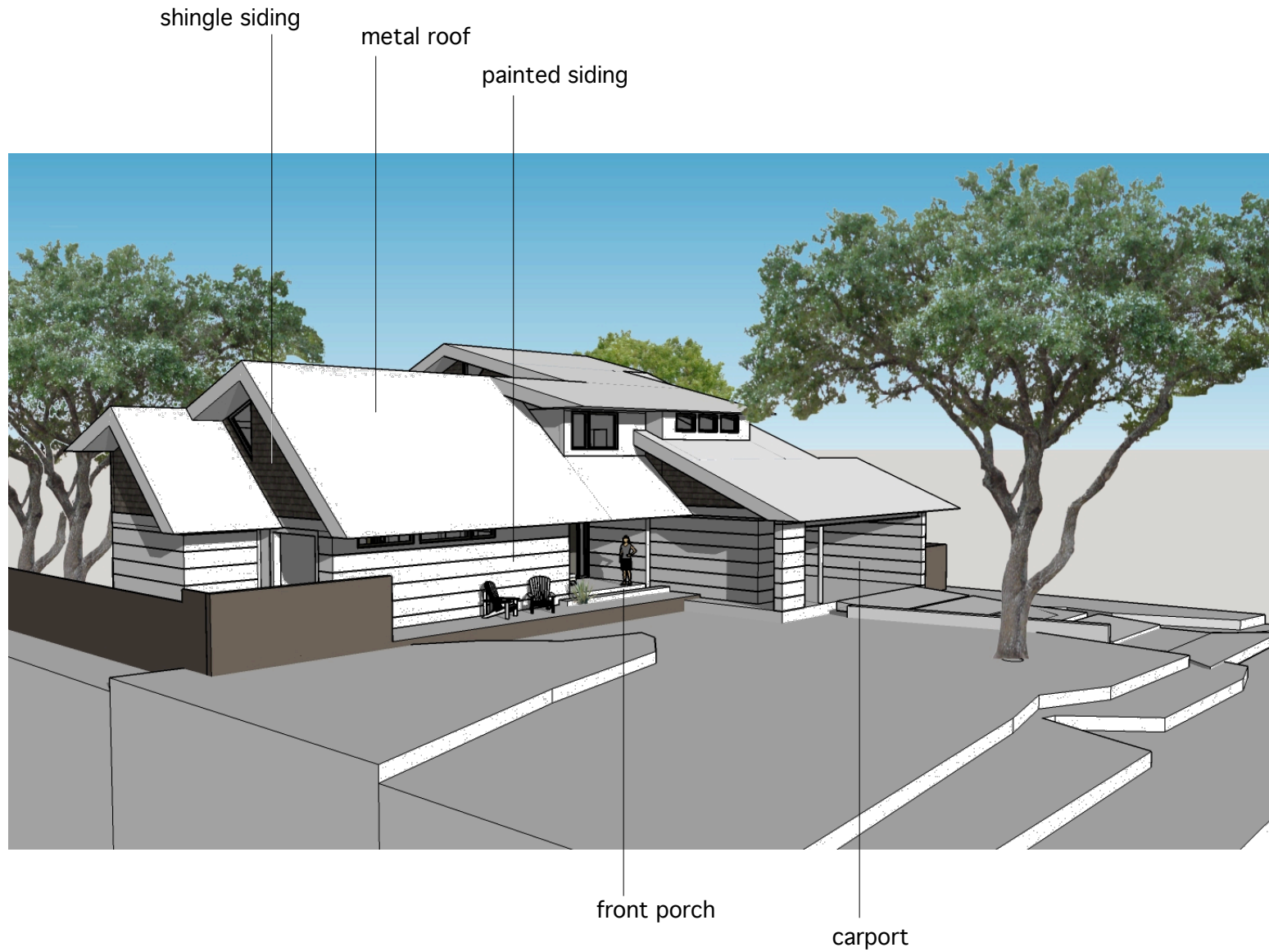
Exhibit

B

scale as noted

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1 PROPOSED NEW HOUSE - VIEW FROM STREET
 EXH. C not to scale

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