

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS
AUGUST 24, 2015
NRD-2015-0078
1404 Northwood Road
Old West Austin National Register Historic District**

PROPOSAL

Demolish the circa 1932 house. The house is a contributing building to the Old West Austin National Register Historic District

ARCHITECTURE

1404 Northwood Road is a one story Spanish Colonial bungalow. It has a front gable with fireplace centered on the gable. It has terra cotta roof tiles and protruding bricks on the gable front. The house has one over one windows on the side and the rear and small casement windows and an entry door on the front.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

Demolish the entire building.

HISTORY OF THE PROPERTY

The property was built around 1932 and has been owner occupied for most of its history. The first owner is listed in 1935 as H.L. Robedeau and his wife Sidney. He was Vice President of Scobey Fireproof Warehouse at 3rd and Trinity. The house had several owners throughout its history with the two longest owners being Guy Landis Rowe and his wife Jewell who owned Rowe Tire Company at 901 E 6th Street and 300 W 5th Street. They lived in the house from the mid 1940's through the early 1950s. The Balls, Bryon and Ruth, owned the house after the Rowes. Bryan was the Assistant State Auditor of the State Employment Corporation. He died in the early 1950s and Ruth continued to live in the house through the late 1970s. Ruth was a teach at various High Schools in Austin.

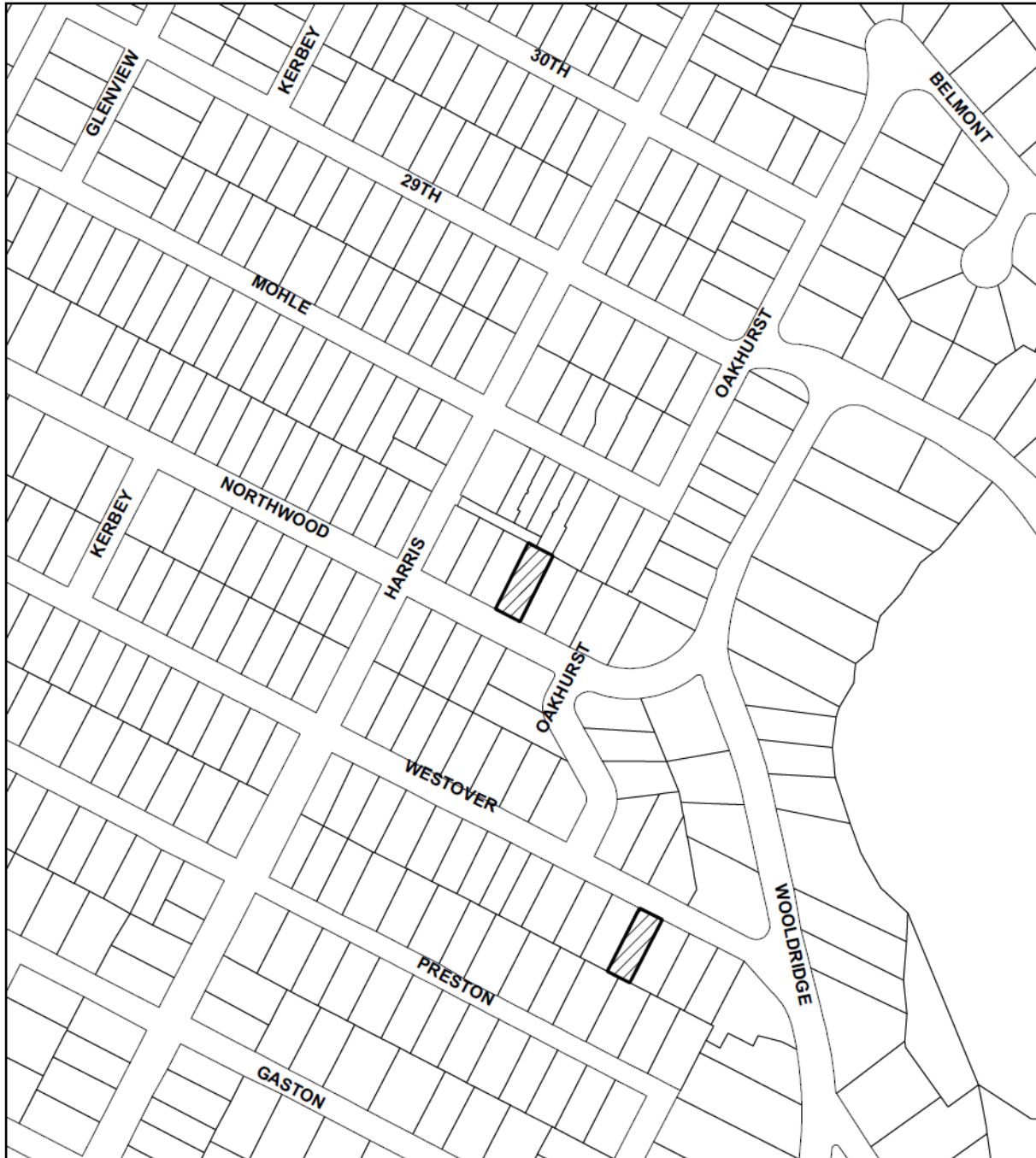
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

The house is listed as contributing to the Old West Austin National Register Historic District.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the permit upon the Commission's review of the plans for new construction complete a City of Austin Documentation Package prior to release of the demolition permit. The house has neither the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: NRD-2015-0078
1404 NORTHWOOD ROAD

1" = 250'

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1404 Northwood Road
Circa 1932



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
1404 Northwood Road

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
August 2015

1992	No Return
1985-86	Donald L. Knaub, Renter Professor at University of Texas
1981	No Return
1977	Mrs. Ruth N. Ball, owner Retired
1973	Mrs. Ruth N. Ball, owner Teacher at Burnett High School
1968	Mrs. Ruth N. Ball, owner Teacher at Lanier Senior Junior High School
1962	Mrs. Ruth N. Ball, owner Teacher at Lanier Senior Junior High School
1959	Mrs. Ruth N. Ball, owner Teacher at Highland Park School

1955	Bryan B and Ruth N. Ball, owner Assistant State Auditor at State Employment Corp.
1952	Guy Landis and Jewell Rowe, owner Rowe Tire Company at 901 E 6 th Street
1949	Guy Landis and Jewell Rowe, owner Rowe Tire Company at 901 E 6 th Street
1947	Guy Landis and Jewell Rowe, owner Rowe Tire Company at 901 E 6 th Street and 300 W 5 th Street
1944-45	Guy Landis and Jewell Rowe, owner Rowe Tire Company at 901 E 6 th Street
1941	Joseph K. and Marjorie Wells, owner State Supervisor
1939	Joseph K. and Marjorie Wells, owner Clerk
1937	E.B. and Jeanette Guthrie Jr., owner Assistant Executive Director of Texas Unemployment Compensation
1935	H.L. and Sidney Robedeau, owner Vice President of Scobey Fireproof Warehouse