

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
SEPTEMBER 28, 2015  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
HDP-2015-0738  
1211 TAYLOR STREET**

**PROPOSAL**

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Demolish a ca. 1936 house.

**ARCHITECTURE**

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One-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled frame house with a central, partial –width front-gabled porch supported by plain, square wood posts; single 1:1 fenestration; synthetic siding.

**RESEARCH**

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The house appears to have been built around 1936 as a rental property. The first tenants of the house were Cecil and Lois Tadlock. Cecil Tadlock was a laborer for the Texas Public Service Company (later Southern Union Gas); he had been born in Texas but raised near Ardmore, Oklahoma to a farming family. He and Lois later bought the house at 56 Waller Street, and he worked as a truck driver for a mail order house. The Tadlocks lived here until around 1938.

William W. and Ruth Sanders rented the house in the late 1930s; they had lived in rural Milam County, Texas in 1920 while William W. Sanders was a section laborer on the railroad. By 1930, they had moved to Austin, and the census of that year shows that he was a city laborer. The city directory of 1939 shows the Sanders family in this house; William W. Sanders was an attendant at Oakwood Cemetery. His 1968 obituary references that he was employed by the Yellow Cab Company.

Pedro (“Pete”) and Celestina Hernandez bought the house around 1943, and lived here for the rest of their lives. Pedro Hernandez is listed in earlier city directories as a laborer; he had no occupation listed while he lived here. He died in 1947. Celestine Hernandez continued to live here until her death in 1978. She was listed in city directories of the late 1940s as a housekeeper; she otherwise had no occupation listed in the directories.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

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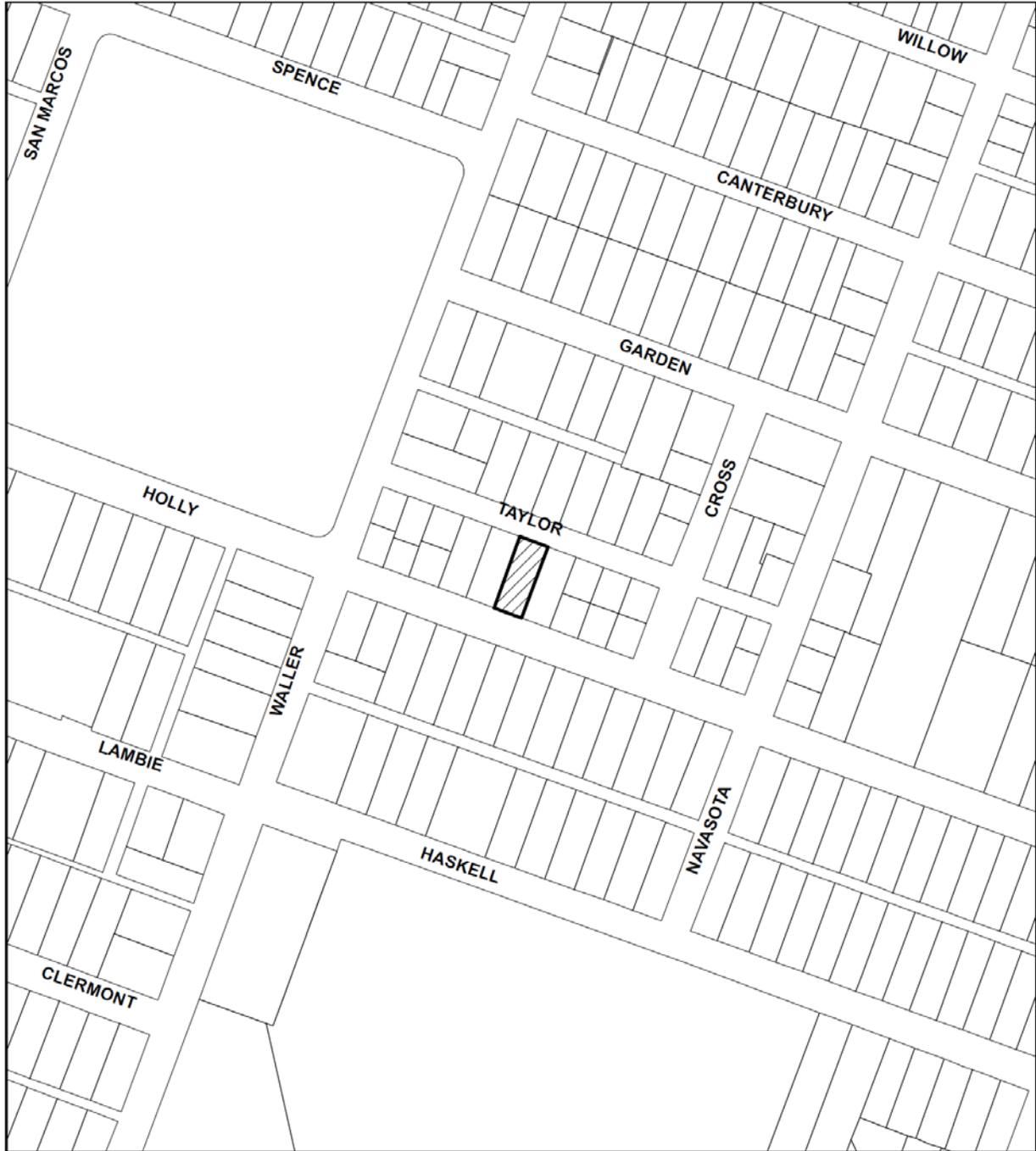
The house is not listed in any City survey.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use if feasible; then relocation over demolition, but 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 lacks sufficient architectural and historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark, it is a good example of its style and vintage, and is located on a block of an East Austin street that is very much intact. Every consideration should be made to rehabilitation of this house and preservation of this historic streetscape.

LOCATION MAP



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-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2015-0738  
Address: 1211 TAYLOR STREET



1" = 200'

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1211 Taylor Street  
ca. 1936



## OCCUPANCY HISTORY 1211 Taylor Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center  
By City Historic Preservation Office  
January, 2008

1992	Pete Hernandez, renter No occupation listed
1987	Mrs. Guadalupe Vega, owner Office clerk, AISD
1981	Mrs. Guadalupe Vega, owner Office clerk
1975	Celestina Hernandez, owner No occupation listed
1968	Celestina Hernandez, owner Widow, Pedro Hernandez No occupation listed
1962	Celestine Hernandez, owner Widow, Pedro Hernandez

	No occupation listed
1957	Celestina Hernandez, owner Widow, Pedro Hernandez No occupation listed
1953	Celestina Hernandez, owner No occupation listed
1949	Celestina Hernandez, owner Widow, Pedro Hernandez Housekeeper
1947	Pedro and Celestina Hernandez, renters No occupation listed
1944-45	Pedro and Celestina Hernandez, renters No occupation listed
1941	Lizzie Townsend, renter Widow, S.F. Townsend Machine operator NOTE: Pedro and Celestina Hernandez are listed at 1623 W. 12 <sup>th</sup> Street; he was a laborer.
1939	William W. and Ruth Sanders, renters Attendant, Oakwood Cemetery
1937	Cecil W. and Lois Tadlock, renters Laborer, Texas Public Service Company
1935	The address is not listed in the directory.

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:****Cecil W. and Lois Tadlock (ca. 1936 - ca. 1938)**

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Cecil and Lois Tadlock as the owners of the house at 56 Waller Street in Austin; the house was worth \$1,000. Cecil Tadlock was 32, had been born in Texas, and was a truck driver for a mail order house. Lois Tadlock was 34, had been born in Oklahoma, and had no occupation listed. They had a daughter, Ramona, 3. With them lived a nephew, Norman Tadlock, 16, who had been born in Texas, but had lived in rural Carter County, Oklahoma in 1935.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Cecil W. Tadlock as the 22-year old son of Will B and Clara Tadlock, who rented a farm in Carter County, Oklahoma. Cecil was the oldest son in the family, and like both his parents, had been born in Texas. The younger siblings had all been born in Oklahoma. Will B. Tadlock is listed as a farmer; Cecil Tadlock is listed as a farm laborer.

His 1967 death certificate shows that Cecil W. Tadlock was born in Willow, Texas in 1907; he was living at 1505 Ruth Avenue at the time of his death at the M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston. He was widowed, and worked as a cement finisher. There does not seem to have been an obituary in the Austin newspapers.

**William W. and Ruth Sanders (ca. 1938 – ca. 1940)**

The 1920 U.S. Census shows William W. and Ruth M. Sanders as the renters of a house "not on any road or street" in rural Milam County, Texas. William W. Sanders was 23, had been born in Texas, and was a section laborer on the railway track. Ruth M. Sanders was 19, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had no children listed with them.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows W.W. and Ruth Sanders in a rented house at 21 Navasota Street in Austin. W.W. Sanders was 34, had been born in Texas, and was a city laborer; Ruth Sanders was 29, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 7 children, all under the age of 9. With them lived W.W. Sanders' grandfather, William L. Sanders, a 67-year old Texas-born widower who was listed as retired; and Ruth Sanders' mother, Myrtle L. Good, a 51-year old Texas-born widow with no occupation listed; and Ruth Sanders' brother, David A. Sanders, 18, an usher at the picture show.

**WILLIAM WILEY SANDERS**  
 William Wiley Sanders, 72, of 5210 Duval died Thursday in a local hospital. He had been a resident of Austin and Travis County most of his life and was an employeof Yellow Cab Company of Austin. He was a member of Capital Lodge number 23 of the Odd Fellows. He served in the U.S. Army during World War I.  
 Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Rohe, Mrs. Myrtle Larson, Mrs. Mary Nichols, all of Austin; five sons, Jim Sanders, Robert Sanders, Ryland Sanders, all of Austin, Jack Sanders, Washington, D.C., and Dale Sanders, San Antonio; sister, Mrs. Edna Clanton, Caldwell; three brothers, Milton Sanders, Bryan Sanders, both of Austin, and Jim Sanders, Hearne; 19 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.  
 Funeral is pending at Wilke-Clay Funeral Home.

Obituary of William W. Sanders  
 Austin American, September 13, 1968

**WILLIAM W. SANDERS**

Funeral for William Wiley Sanders, 72, of 5210 Duval, will be Sunday at 4 p.m. from the chapel of the Wilke-Clay Funeral Home with the Rev. B. A. Bledsoe, pastor of Ridgetop Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Capital Memorial Gardens under the direction of the Wilke-Clay Funeral Home.

Funeral notice for William W. Sanders  
Austin American-Statesman, September 14, 1968

Pedro (Pete) and Celestina Hernandez (ca. 1943 – ca. 1978)

**PEDRO HERNANDEZ**

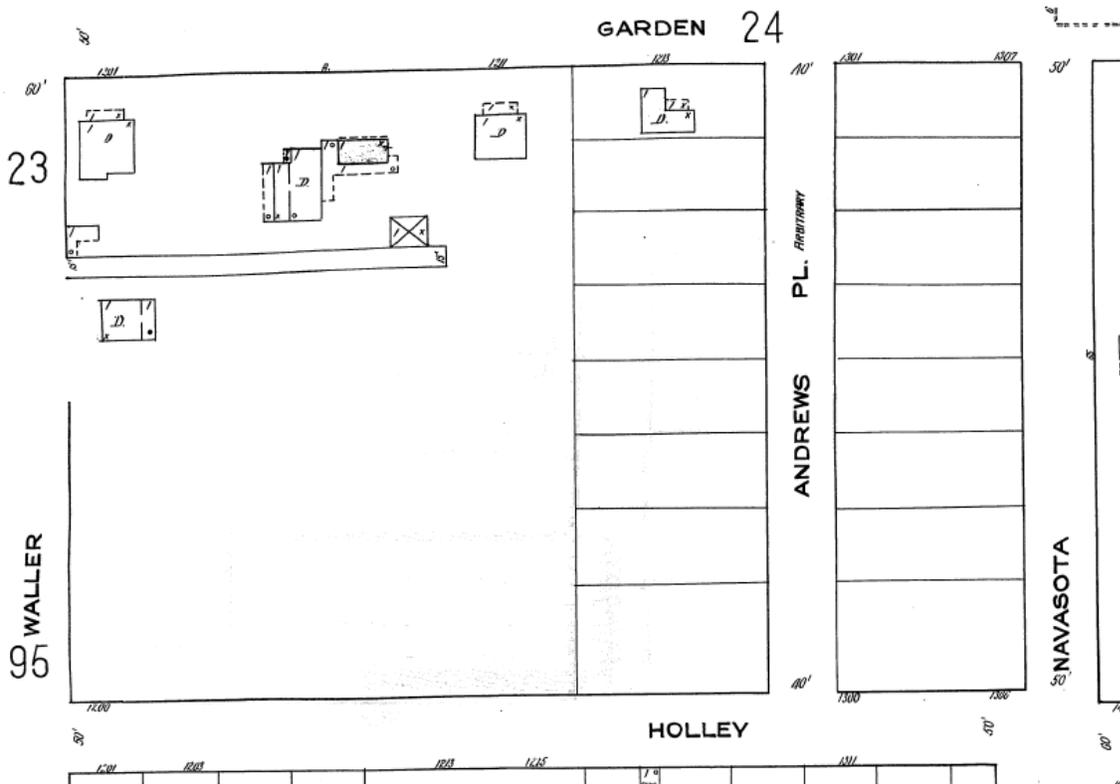
Funeral services for Pedro Hernandez will be held at Guadalupe Church at 4 p. m. Sunday with Father Cuevas officiating. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Celestina Hernandez; two daughters, Petra and Elisa Hernandez; two step-daughters, Guadalupe and Bertha Vega; two sons, Paul and Vincent Hernandez and two step-sons, Elias Vega and Andrew Cantu, all of Austin. Burial will be in Santa Jose Cemetery.

Obituary of Pedro Hernandez  
Austin American-Statesman, January 5, 1947

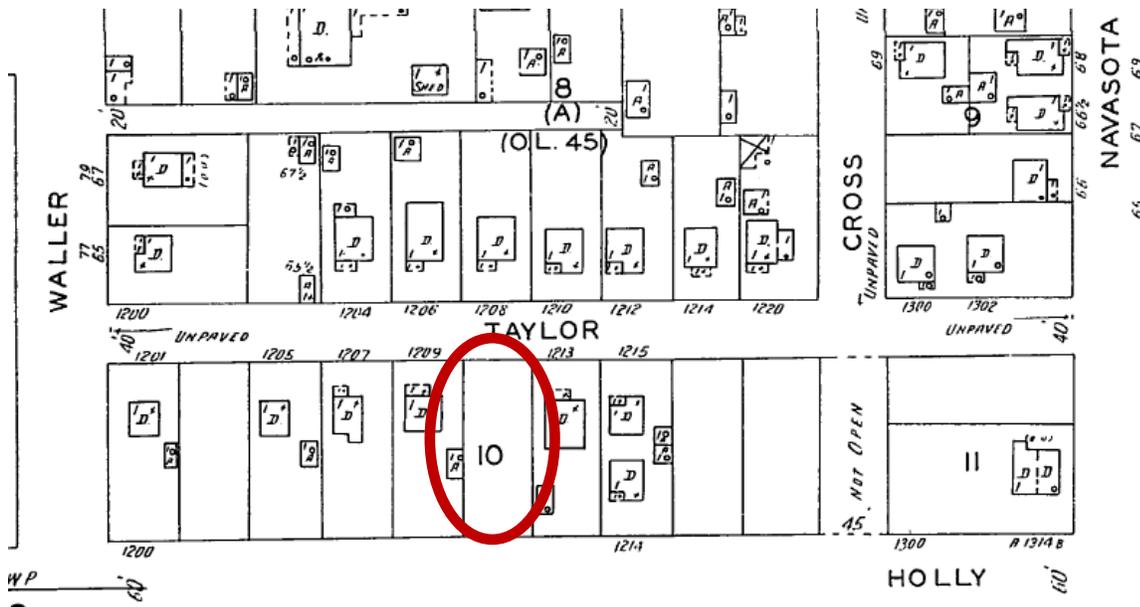
**HERNANDEZ, Celestina, 87, 1211 Taylor, died Monday. Rosary 8 tonight at Angel Funeral Home. Mass 10 a.m. Thursday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial, Assumption Cemetery. Survivors: sons, Andres Cantu, Elias Vega, both of Austin, Paul Hernandez of Fort Worth, Vincente Hernandez of Los Angeles; daughters, Guadalupe Vega, Elisa Guzman, all of Austin, Bertha Hernandez of Houston, Petra Flores of Dallas; brother, Melecio Flores of Helotes; 27 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.**

Obituary of Celestina Hernandez  
 Austin American-Statesman, March 29, 1978

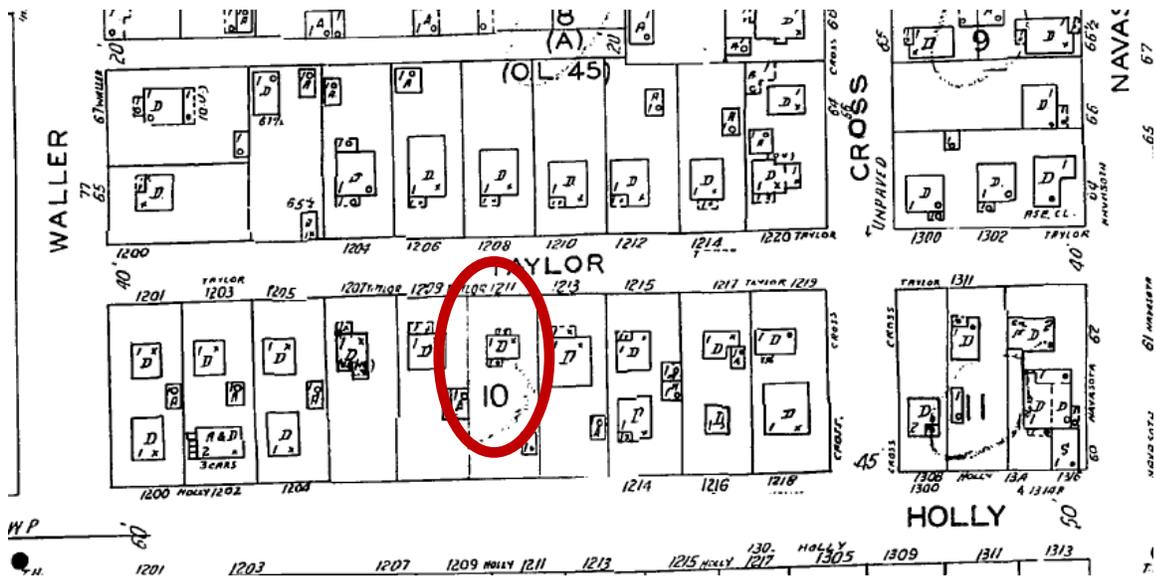
According to her 1978 death certificate, Celestina Hernandez was born in San Marcos, Texas in 1897 to Martin Castro and Romana Marin. She was living in this house at the time of her death. She was a housewife.



Taylor Street does not appear on the 1922 Sanborn map. The present Cross Street is shown as Andrews Place.



The site of the current house is shown as vacant on the 1935 Sanborn map.



The house appears on the 1962 Sanborn map.

Celestina Hernandez 1211 Taylor Street

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Wendlandt & Staehely Subdiv.

Frame addn. to rear of residence

34036 5-29-47 \$300.00

Owner

None

Building permit to Celestina Hernandez for a frame addition to the rear of the house (1947)

OWNER Celestina Hernandez ADDRESS 1211 Taylor Street

PLAT 135 LOT 21 OL 45 Div. 0 BLK

SUBDIVISION Wendlandt & Starchley

OCCUPANCY Residence

BLD PERMIT # 121745 DATE 5-7-71 OWNERS ESTIMATE \$4700.00

CONTRACTOR G.A. Wallace NO. OF FIXTURES several

WATER TAP REC # Exist SEWER TAP REC # Exist

Remodel exist residence

Building permit to Celestina Hernandez to remodel the house (1971)