

DRENNER GROUP

September 28, 2015

Mr. Steve Sadowsky
Historic Preservation Officer
City of Austin
P.O. Box 1088
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VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Re: Support of HDP-2015-0783 (Agenda Item D.8.; 606 and 608 East 3rd Street)

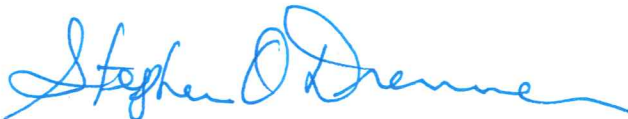
Dear Mr. Sadowsky,

I write in support of the release of demolition permits for the structures located at 606 and 608 East 3rd Street.

Retaining these structures impedes the positive redevelopment of the property in a manner that supports the Waller Creek tax increment financing district and the desired improvements to compliment the Convention Center, neighboring parks and other amenities. The City and County have dedicated substantial resources to the Waller Creek Tunnel Project, with the goal of encouraging the full redevelopment of these and other properties. Further, despite the owner's maintenance efforts, the homes appear to be in poor structural condition and have been unable to sustain tenants.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if I may provide additional information.

Sincerely,



Stephen O. Drenner

Cc: Members, Historic Landmark Commission