

PENDING CASE

ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: C15-2015-0136

LOCATION: 93 Robert T. Martinez St

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CASE # <u>C15-2015-0136</u> ROW 11412595 ROII 0201090616

# CITY OF AUSTIN APPLICATION TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT® 7 GENERAL VARIANCE/PARKING VARIANCE

WARNING: Filing of this appeal stops all affected construction activity.

PLEASE: APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED WITH ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION COMPLETED.

STREET ADDRESS 93 Robert T. Martinez Street
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Subdivision - <u>Driving Park Addition</u>
Lot(s) 9 Block A Outlot Division
I Jim Bennett as authorized agent for Tom Hatch
affirm that on May 6, 2015 hereby apply for a hearing before the Board of Adjustment for consideration to:
ERECT – ATTACH – COMPLETE – REMODEL – MAINTAIN
A single family dwelling providing a side street setback of 10 ft.
n a SF-3NP $(Ho(\mathcal{G})$ (zoning district)

The Austin Electric Utility Department (Austin Energy) enforces electric easements and the setback requirements set forth in the Austin Utility Code, Electric Criteria Manual and National Electric Safety Code. The Board of Adjustment considers variance to the Land Development Code, and a variance granted by the Board of Adjustment does not waive the requirements enforced by Austin Energy. Please contact Christine Esparza with Austin Energy at 322-6112 before filing your application with the Board of Adjustment if your request is for a reduction in setbacks or height limits.

NOTE: The Board must determine the existence of, sufficiency of and weight of evidence supporting the findings described below. Therefore, you must complete each of the applicable Findings Statements as part of your application. Failure to do so may result in your application being rejected as incomplete. Please attach any additional support documents.



VARIANCE FINDINGS: I contend that my entitlement to the requested variance is based on the following findings

#### **REASONABLE USE:**

1. The zoning regulations applicable to the property do not allow for a reasonable use because:

This lot is an older platted lot that does not meet the current lot width requirements. All other requirement can be met except for the side street setback

### **HARDSHIP:**

- 2. (a) The hardship for which the variance is requested is unique to the property in that:

  The lot is a platted lot with a 48 ft. width. There is a double trunk 18" and 23"

  Pecan tree located on the East side of the lot and a 15 ft side street setback would encroach into the half critical root zone. Most of the other older homes were built when the ordinance required only a 10 ft.
  - (b) The hardship is not general to the area in which the property is located because:

The narrow width, the large trees on this lot, and being a corner lot distinguishes this site.

#### **AREA CHARACTER:**

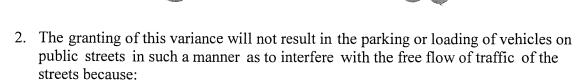
3. The variance will not alter the character of the area adjacent to the property, will not impair the use of adjacent conforming property, and will not impair the purpose of the regulations of the zoning district in which the property is located because:

The fact that most of the structures in this area are built with a 10ft. or less side street setback and this structure will not be out of character, the variance will allow for a design that will be compatible with other homes in the neighborhood.

# **PARKING:** (Additional criteria for parking variances only.)

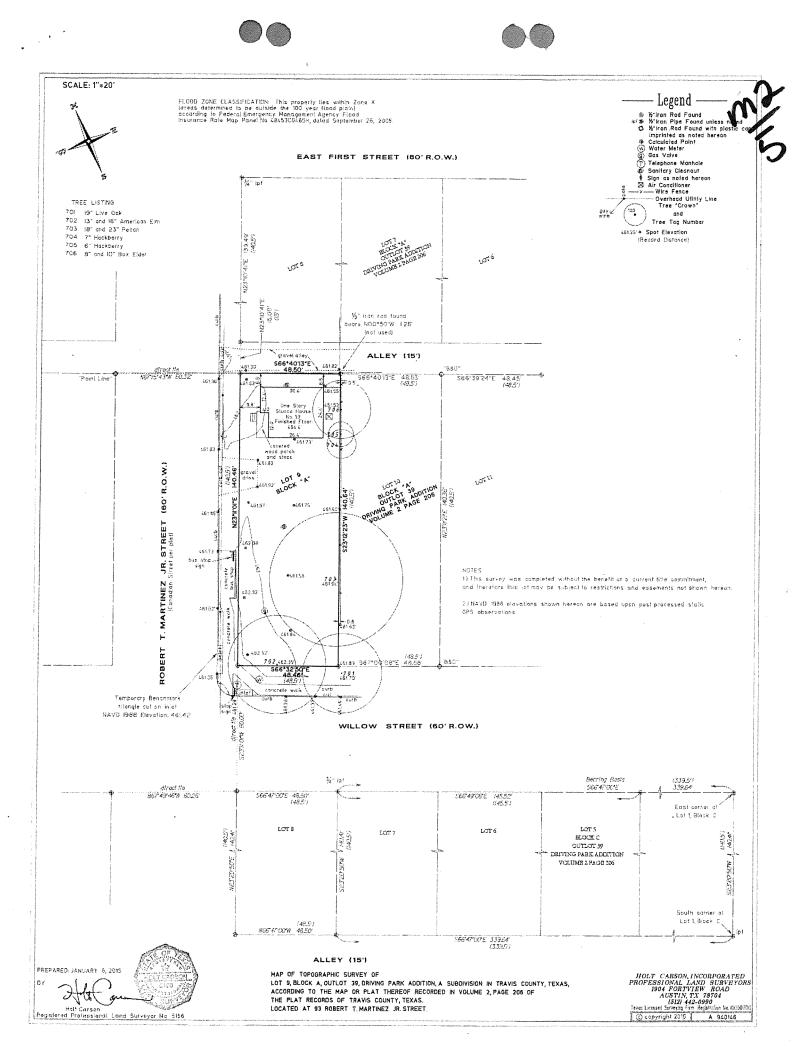
Request for a parking variance requires the Board to make additional findings. The Board may grant a variance to a regulation prescribed Section 479 of Chapter 25-6 with respect to the number of off-street parking spaces or loading facilities required if it makes findings of fact that the following additional circumstances also apply:

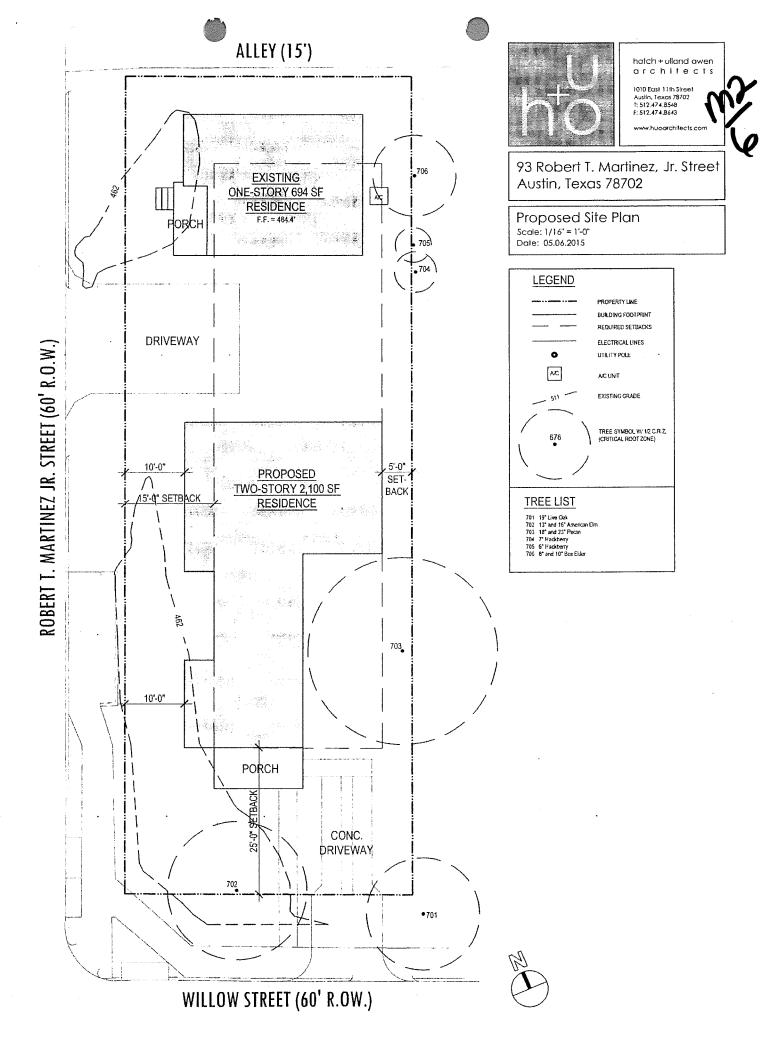
1. Neither present nor anticipated future traffic volumes generated by the use of the site or the uses of sites in the vicinity reasonable require strict or literal interpretation and enforcement of the specific regulation because:





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3.	The granting of this variance will not create a safety hazard or any other condition inconsistent with the objectives of this Ordinance because:
	The variance will run with the use or uses to which it pertains and shall not run with the site because:
N	NOTE: The Board cannot grant a variance that would provide the applicant with a special
	privilege not enjoyed by others similarly situated or potentially similarly situated.
	PLICANT CERTIFICATE – I affirm that my statements contained in the complete plication are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
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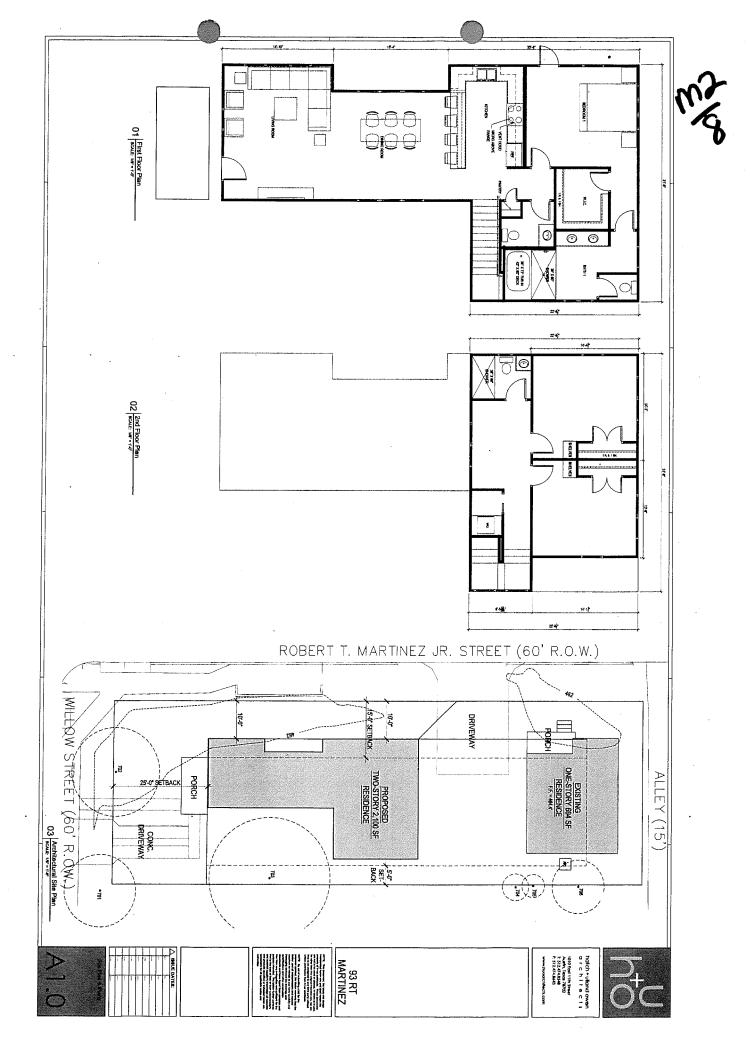
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Balcony (Insert description here)				6
Other - Specify (				0
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	Existing sqft new / added sqft Proposed Exemption Other exemption Total Sq Pt	1 Sq. Ft
1st Floor	197	1978.5
2nd Floor	7 216	716
3rd Floor	0	0
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Detached	200 sqft (3.3.2 B 2a)	0
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Carport** attached	200 sqft (3.3.2 B 1)***	0
Detached	450 sqtt (3.3.2 A 1)	0
Accessory Building(s) detached		0
Totals	694 2000.5 769	2694.5
Total Gross Floor Area	<b>69.</b>	2694.5
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*Ground Floor Porch exemption: A ground fl by automobile and is not connected to a driv above it.	*Ground Floor Porch exemption: A ground floor posts, including a screened porch, may be exempted, provided that the porch is not accessible by automobile and is not connected to a driveway, and the exemption may not exceed 200 square feet if a porch has habitable space or a balcony above it.	sible
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Basement exemption: A habitable portion of	Basement exemption: A habitable portion of a building that is below grade may be exempted if the habitable portion does not extend beyond the	and the
first-story footprint and is below natural or fi	first-story footprint and is below natural or finished grade, which ever is lower, and it is surrounded by natural grade for at least 50% of its	

arimeter wall area and the finished floor of the first story is not more than three feet above the average elevation at the intersections of the Infimum front yard setback line and the side property lines.

subtable Attic exemption: A habitable portion of an attic may be exempted if 1. The roof above it is not a flat ormanisard roof and has a stope of to 12 or greater, 2. It is fully contained within the inof structure, 3. It has only one floor, 4. It does not extend beyond the footpriet of the floors elow, 5. It is the highest babitable portion of the building, or a section of the building, and adds no additional mass to the structure, and 6. Fifty errent or more of the area has a celling height of seven feet or less.





## JANINE SISAK, ESQ. 2204 WILLOW STREET AUSTIN, TX 78702 (512) 293-6126

June 5, 2015

City of Austin Board of Adjustment 515 Barton Springs Austin, Texas

Re: Variance Request for 93 Robert T. Martinez

Dear Chairman and Board:

My name is Janine Sisak and I own the property on the same block and in close proximity to the referenced lot. Given the size of the large pecan tree near the property line and the fact that most houses along RT in this area are closer than 10' from the property line, I support Tom Hatch's request for a reduction in the 15' street side yard setback. This will allow the construction of a reasonably sized new home and protect the half critical root zone of the large pecan.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Janine Sisak

#### Holly Neighborhood Coalition Meeting Minutes June 1, 2015



Eric Goff
Elizabeth Walsh
Greg Anderson
Tom Hatch
Ana Defrates
Rick Rojo
Cynthia Valdadez-Mata
Emily Phalan
Michael Phalan
Brian Kericho

#### Review of Agenda:

- Officer updates (Elections for Co-Chair, review of changes past and upcoming)
- Presentation of a residential site plan from Tom Hatch for his property at the corner of Willow and Robert Martinez Streets.
  - Presentation by East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Planning Contact Team Representative and developer, Brian Carricho, about hotel planned.

#### Leadership Updates

- Vote taken with unanimous approval for Ana DeFrates to serve as Co-Chair with Cynthia Valadez-Mata.
- Michael Phalan is the new Treasurer
- Eric Goff has accepted the nomination for Secretary and elections will be held in July meeting.

#### Disclaimer Statement about Contact Team: Ana Defrates

- We are not recognized by the city as a group with formal recognition for issues such as variances. We are working on changing that, but it has been historically a contentions process.
- The way this works is that we can have a conversation about the issue, record the discussion in the minutes, along with those who have been
- Boundaries are Chicon on west side, the river, Pleasant Valley.
- The original intent was to establish an inclusive neighborhood association with goal of supporting a contact team.

#### $egthinspace{\times} otag Presentation of request for set-back variance by Tom Hatch$

- Presented a site plan a residential home on a lot that now has a secondary unit in the back and an open lot in front.
- There is a larger heritage tree on the site that has been worked into the building plan. The building will not affect the critical root zone.
- In designing the building on the standard sized lot, accommodation of the tree represented a significant constraint on the use of the property for a reasonable dwelling. Mr. Hatch sought a setback variance to allow for more full use of the property.

- The new building footprint is still consistent with other properties in the vicinity and otherwise conforms to all codes.
- In the future, Mr. Hatch intends to move into the home or the one behind it, where his son currently resides.
- There were some questions about the relationship between the house and the bus stop, and Hatch said that he would like to have windows facing the bus stop, generally favoring design that allows for eyes on the street and a neighborly pedestrian realm. The home also has a front porch and now garage in keeping with that principle.



We took an informal vote with unanimous approval and an invitation to participate with the HNC at any time.

# East Side Hotel Development Edie Cassell

- Came as a neighbor, concerned about the hotel planned at Waller and Cesar Chavez.
- She expressed a general desire that our two neighborhoods worked more together. She wished we were all one organization, and has wanted to come a long time. Anxious to get a better representation of this part of the neighborhood to have that representation.
- She emphasized that they are not opposed to hotels or development, just that "we don't want this particular project built on the site where it is slated." East Cesar Chavez has lots of empty lots and we want to support development our plan supports it.
- She clarified that she is speaking from personal experience, not representing the rest of the neighborhood, though hundreds have signed petitions against it.
- She and other neighbors who live within about 500 feet are very concerned
  - o concerned about traffic based on the size of the hotel and positioning.
  - O Parking is another concern. As we become denser, it will be increasingly difficult to park, but that project in particular will have a burden.
  - Our neighborhood has a neighborhood plan that took years to develop and is 15 years old. It is a respected plan and we're trying to honor it. There are guidelines about types of development that are welcome. Something like this would be more suitable for 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, or 6<sup>th</sup> street.
- October 28 meeting where there were 90 in attendance and with nearly unanimous opposition.
   People were shocked by the outcome of the vote back in December. Pio Renteria, running for Council at the time, skipped the meeting.
- Mixed Use and Office is legit
  - Greg Anderson expressed concern that permitted uses allow for even more car traffic, and that only 30% of hotel rooms are associated with a car.
  - O Brian noted that they have designed in a plan for a B-cycle, showers for employees, "we want to try to be the best business for our employees and neighborhoods."

#### Brian Carrico

- Seeking a conditional use permit
- From our perspective we reached out to the land use committee in March last year and overall
  they did not see a problem with it. We put it under contract at the time. We met with Greater
  Peace Christian Church (they wrote a letter of support, and they were the only triggering use for
  a liquor license
- Only had about 8 members on it at the time. There was a straw poll, 6-2 in support of the hotel.
- Did design and completed







City of Austin Board of Adjustment 515 Barton Springs Austin, Texas

Re: Variance Request for 93 Robert T. Martinez

Dear Chairman and Board:

My name is Jerry Gorde and I own the property immediately next to the referenced lot. Given the size of the large pecan tree on the property line between us and the fact that most houses along RT in this area are closer than 10' from the property line, I support Tom Hatch's request for a 5' reduction in the 15' street side yard setback. This will allow the construction of a reasonably sized new home and protect the half critical root zone of the large pecan.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Jerry Gorde

