

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JULY 25, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2016-0475
3703 GRAYSON LANE**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1949 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, roughly rectangular-plan, hipped roof, concrete block house with a combination of metal-framed multi-light casement windows and 1:1 fenestration. Although there is no permit for it, it appears that the carport was converted to living space in the early 1980s.

RESEARCH

The house was built by Rogan Giles, a son of Bascom Giles, who developed this area after World War II. Giles also built all of the concrete block duplexes in the Maplewood area, and these single-family houses south of 38th Street. The first owners and occupants were Lester L. and Marie Gardner, who lived here from around 1950 to around 1957. Lester Gardner was the agent in charge for Braniff International Airways. The house then became a rental property, with a succession of tenants, including a teacher at the University of Texas, an analyst for the State Securities Board, a department supervisor at an insurance company, and a bank employee.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is not listed in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, but release the demolition permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package. While the house lacks the requisite architectural and historical significance for individual landmark designation, it is possibly contributing to a potential historic district in Giles Place, the single-family subdivision south of 38th Street developed by Bascom Giles and his family.

3703 Grayson Lane
ca. 1949



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
3703 Grayson Lane

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
July, 2016

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| 1992 | Bill Conley, renter
Musician
NOTE: The directory indicates that Bill Conley was a new resident at this address. |
| 1985-86 | Mike Alexander, renter
Engineer, State of Texas |
| 1981 | Mike Alexander, renter
Engineer, State of Texas
NOTE: The directory indicates that Mike Alexander was a new resident at this address. |
| 1977 | Michael R. Vaught, renter
No occupation listed
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| 1973 | Steve Lang, renter
No occupation listed
NOTE: The directory indicates that Steve Lang was a new resident at this address. |

- 1968 June E. Moore, renter
Employed by City National Bank, 9th Street and Congress Avenue.
- 1965 Calvin T. and Patricia A. Westbrook, renters
Department supervisor, Insurance Company of North America, 1108 Lavaca Street.
- 1962 John M. and Patricia M. Butler, renters
Analyst, State Securities Board
- 1959 Jimmy M. and Nancy A. Patterson, renters
Jimmy: Teacher, University of Texas
Nancy: Clerk, Western Republic and Plymouth Life Insurance Company, 7th and Colorado Streets.
- 1955 Lester L. and Marie Gardner, owners
Agent in charge, Braniff International Airways.
- 1952 Lester L., and Marie Gardner, owners
Agent in charge, Braniff International Airways.
- 1949 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Lester and I. Marie Gardner are listed at 600-B Barton Springs Road; he was the agent in charge for Braniff International Airways.

Rogan Giles 3703 Grayson Lane

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Giles Place #2

Masonry residence & car port attached

39697 12-7-48 \$6000.00

C. J. Johnson & Sons

Building permit to Rogan Giles for the construction of this house (1948)

3-30-1950

Sir:—

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by Rogan Siler at 3703 Dragon Lane Street, further described as Lot 48 Block — Outlot — Division — subdivision Siler Place #2 Plat 240 which is to be used as a res In this place there are to be installed 5 fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 33132 I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge. 33132

Depth at Prop. Line 3-

Shirley Carter

52 NPSL Stubb 21 NPSL W. W. W. W.

Date 4-4-50

By.

NOTE: Connection Instruction

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Sewer connection application by Rogan Giles for this address (1950)