

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JULY 25, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2016-0454
86 CHALMERS AVENUE

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1950 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled frame house with a central, partial-width shed-roofed entry hood on ornamental iron posts; single and paired 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1950 by Duncan D. Heath, who lived next door at 84 Chalmers Avenue. Duncan's son, Duncan D. Heath, Jr., and his wife, Frankie, were the first owners and occupants of the house and lived here until around 1954. Duncan D. Heath, Jr. was an electrician for Fox-Schmidt. The house was then sold to Elmer T. and Minnie Williams, who lived here until around 1960. Elmer Williams was a mechanic for the telephone company. The house then became a rental property, with tenants including a mail carrier in the early 1960s. In the mid-1970s, the house was rented then eventually purchased by Pete and Sarah Pecina, who lived here until recently. Pete Pecina worked at several liquor stores in town.

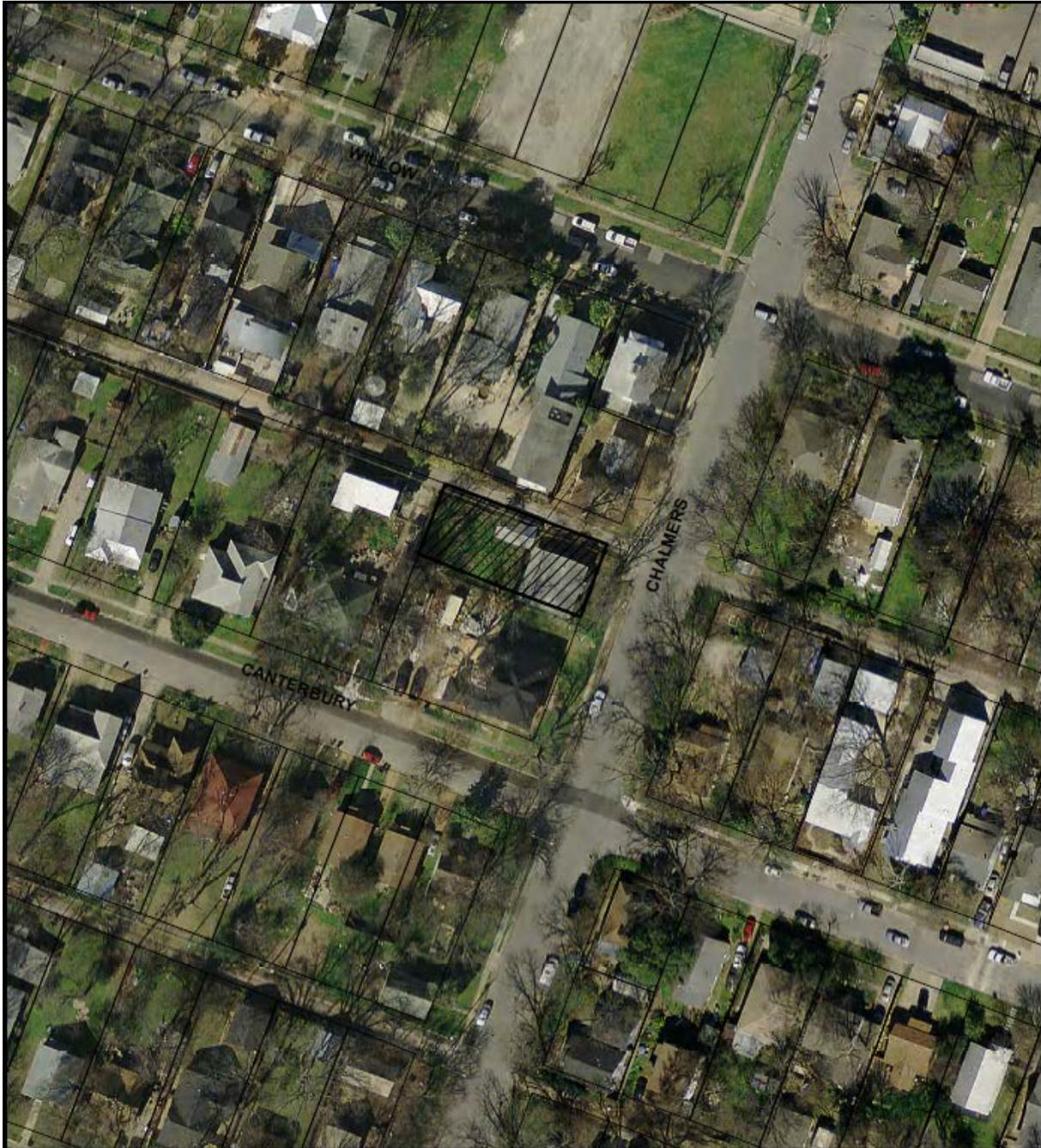
STAFF COMMENTS

The house is not listed in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the permit. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2016-0454
LOCATION: 86 Chalmers Avenue



1" = 83'

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86 Chalmers Avenue
ca. 1950



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
86 Chalmers Avenue

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

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| 1992 | Pete and Sarah Pecina, owners
Employed by Riverside Liquors, 2023 E. Riverside Drive. |
| 1985-86 | Pete and Sarah Pecina, owners
Manager, Ward's Liquors, 1103 N. Interregional Highway.
Also listed is Pete Pecina, Jr., no occupation shown. |
| 1981 | Pete and Sarah Pecina, owners
Manager, Ward's Liquors, 1103 N., Interregional Highway. |
| 1977 | Pete and Sarah Pecina, renters
Employed at a liquor store |
| 1973 | Vacant
NOTE: Pete and Sarah Pecina are not listed in the directory. |
| 1968 | Sarah Muniz, renter
No occupation listed |
| 1965 | Vacant |

- 1962 Larry and Betty L. Dodson, renters
Mail carrier, U.S. Post Office
- 1959 Elmer T. and Minnie Williams, owners
Hoseman, Telephone Company plant
- 1955 Elmer T. and Minnie Williams, owners
Mechanic, Telephone Company plant
- 1952 Duncan D., Jr. and Frankie Heath, owners
Electrician, Fox-Schmidt, plumbing, heating, and electrical contractors, 412 W. 5th
Street.
NOTE: Elmer and Minnie Williams are listed at 2203 Canterbury Street; he was
a maintenance man.
- 1949 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Duncan D., Jr. and Frankie Heath are listed at Duncan D. Heath, Sr.'s
house at 84 Chalmers Avenue. Duncan, Jr. was an electrician with Fox-Schmidt.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Duncan D., Jr. and Frankie Heath (ca. 1950 – ca. 1954)

Duncan Heath, Jr. appears in the 1940 U.S. Census as the 16-year old son of Duncan and Ethel Heath, who lived at 84 Chalmers Avenue. Duncan Heath, Jr. was born in Texas and had no occupation listed. His father, Duncan Heath, was 50, had been born in Texas, and was a tractor driver for the County; his mother, Ethel Heath, was 48, had been born in Texas and had no occupation listed.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows the Heath family in Yoakum County, Texas, where Duncan Heath was a 39-year old farmer. Ethel Heath had no occupation listed. The couple had 2 sons: Franklin, 15; and Duncan, Jr., 7. Neither had an occupation shown.

Duncan D. Heath, Jr. and Frankie Heath were married in 1942 and divorced in 1984 in Hays County, Texas.

Duncan D. "Pete" Heath Jr.

Pete was born in Austin, Texas to Ethel Franklin and Duncan D. "Doc" Heath Sr. on August 29, 1922. He passed away at his home in Buda, Texas August 12, 1997. Pete was accompanied in his last hours by his loving family.

Upon graduating from Austin High School, Pete started his trade as a master electrician. During World War II, Pete joined the Army Air Corps as an electrician on B-17 bombers in England. Following the war, while applying his trade as an electrician, Pete also began calf roping on the professional rodeo circuit. Pete became known as "The Horseman" winning in many places including Go-Rounds at the Houston Livestock Show and Madison Square Garden. Pete served as President of the Southwestern Rodeo Association from 1954 to 1955. Pete joined his friend, Mike G. Rutherford, in 1960 as the Buda Texas Ranch Manager and quarter horse trainer. He trained and showed two Champion Cutting Horses, Mr. Bar Gold and Gay Bar Lady. He also showed the Champion Halter Horses, Poco Margaret and her daughter, Gold Margarita. When Mike changed to thoroughbred racehorses in 1974, Pete became the General Manager and principal advisor for thoroughbred operations. In 1986, Pete was honored as "Man of The Year" by the Texas Thoroughbred Breeder's Association. Pete lived horses; however his real love was his family, friends, golf and dominos.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, F.H. Heath.

Pete is survived by two sons, Jeff and Perry; two loving daughters-in-law, Nancy and Pat; and four grandchildren. Pete was most proud of his grandchildren. Jennifer and James attend Texas A&M University, Jody is at the University of Texas and Ty attends McLennan County Community College.

Pete Heath was a man who spoke softly and carried a big stick. He was wise in counsel, sage in advice, of the highest integrity, friend to many, enemy to none and a family man. This man will be missed!

Family visitation will from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, August 14, 1997 at Harrell Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Friday, August 15, 1997 at Harrell Funeral Home Chapel in Austin. Burial will follow at Live Oak Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be S.A. Baxter, Jack Garey, Dr. Charles Graham, Chester Johnson, Bobby Powell, Mike G. Rutherford, Morris Sandifer and R.B. Wilson. Honorary pallbearers are Gene Heideman, Lloyd Hennig, Lewis Scott, Olin Mott, Red Simon, Eddie Odell, Cecil Perkins, Archie Roach, Robert True, Billy Red Rogers, the Rutherford Family and his many friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to Texas A&M Foundation, Pete Heath Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Dr. Oscar Woytek, College of Veterinary Medicine, College Station, Tx. 77843-4461.

Arrangements by Harrell Funeral Home in Austin, 443-1366.

Obituary of Duncan D. Heath, Jr.
Austin American-Statesman, August 14, 1997

Elmer T. and Minnie Williams (ca. 1954 – ca. 1960)

Elmer and Minnie Williams appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owners of the house at 1710 Holly Street, which was worth \$1,300. Elmer Williams was 40, had been born in Texas, and was an auto mechanic. Minnie Williams was 37, had been born in Texas, and had no

occupation listed. They had a daughter, Peggy, 2. With them lived Minnie's sister, Velma Crawford, 27, a housekeeper for a private family; she had lived in rural Burnet County, Texas in 1935.

Duncan Heath 86 Chalmers Avenue
 20 North 60' of 11 3 35 0
 Riverside
 Frame residence.
 44680 5-25-50 \$4850.00
 D. M. Perry

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Building permit to Duncan Heath for the construction of this house (1950)

N 60' of 11.

WATER SERVICE PERMIT
 Austin, Texas

INDEXED NO. 6378
 20
 Date 5-5-50

Received of DUNCAN D. HEATH
 Address 86 CHALMERS AVE
 Amount TWENTY AND 72.00 \$ 20.⁰⁰
 Plumber FOY-SCHMIDT Size of Tap 3/4"

Date of Connection	<u>6-12-50</u>	No. Fittings	Size
Size of Tap Made	<u>3/4"</u>	1 Curb Cock	<u>5/8"</u>
Size Service Made	<u>3/4"</u>	1 Elbow	<u>3/4" Cop.</u>
Size Main Tapped	<u>6"</u>	1 St. Elbow	<u>3/4" S.C.C.P.</u>
From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock	<u>7.5'</u>	1 Bushing	<u>3/4" Cop. P.</u>
From N- Prop. Line to Curb Cock	<u>30'</u>	1 Reducer	<u>3/4" Cop. T. - F. P.</u>
Location of Meter	<u>CURB</u>	8 Pipe	<u>3/4" Cop. P.</u>
Type of Box	<u>LOCK</u>	Lead Comp.	
Depth of Main in St.	<u>3'</u>	Nipples	
Depth of Service Line	<u>2'</u>	Union	
From Curb Cock to Tap on Main	<u>6'</u>	Plug	
Checked by Engr. Dept.	<u>6-30-50 A.W.</u>	1 Tee	<u>1 1/2"</u>
		1 Stop	<u>1 1/2"</u>
		1 Box	<u>4.0 C.P.</u>
		1 Lid	
		Valves	
		Job No.	<u>10-323-502</u>
		P. T. No.	<u>W. B. C. X</u>

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Water service permit to Duncan D. Heath for this address (1950)

Receipt No. 14752 Application for Sewer Connection N^o 26304

Austin, Texas, 6-27-50

To the Superintendent of Sanitary Sewer Division, City of Austin, Texas.

Sir:—

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by Duncan D. Heath 86 Chalmera Street, further described as Lot No. 60' of 11 Block 3 Outlot 35 Division 9 subdivision Riverside Plat 20, which is to be used as a Res.

In this place there are to be installed 5 fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 38893
I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge. OK 6-28-50

Depth at Prop. Line 2'

Respectfully,
Jay Schmidt

Stub Out: } 13 E of W Lk
Connected } (Location)

Date 7-5-50

By Cawmighon

NOTE: Connection Instruction: 6" Series at W.L. in (Mytho records) depth (End 40 ft West of W.L. of B-804 Chalmera in alley)

Sewer connection application by Duncan D. Heath for this address (1950)