HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION AUGUST 22, 2016 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2016-0510 2906 S. 4TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1947 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, L-plan frame house with a partial-width independent porch on ornamental metal supports; single and paired 6:6 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1947 by Paul Krueger, a local developer. The house has been a rental property for most of its existence. The first tenants were Alfred and Estelle Knopp; he was a Nash automobile salesman. A television repair man and his wife rented the house in the late 1950s; in the early to mid-1960s, the house was rented by Cecil and Ginger Patton. Cecil Patton was a clerk at the State Health Department and became a business machine operator at a life insurance company. While the Pattons lived here, Nolie A. Evans also operated a day nursery in the house. Later tenants include a salesman, and an adult probation officer.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is not listed in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, 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. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.



2906 S. 4th Street ca. 1947



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2906 S. 4th Street

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

1992 Kevin Clark, renter

No occupation listed

NOTE: The directory indicates that Kevin Clark was a new resident at this

address.

1985-86 Mark W. and Margaret Ashworth, renters

Adult probation officer, Travis County

1981 Mark W. and Margaret Ashworth, renters

Counselor

1977 Mark W. Ashworth, renter

Janitor, University of Texas

NOTE: Margaret Ashworth is not listed in the directory.

NOTE: Mark W. Ashworth is listed as a new resident at this address.

1973 Lucille Hinesley, renter

No occupation listed

1968 Sam G. and Lizzy Doran, renters

Salesman

1965 Cecil and Ginger Patton, renters

Business machine operator, American Founders Life Insurance Company, 6937

N. Interregional Highway.

Evans Day Nursery

Nolie A. Evans, proprietor

NOTE: Nolie A. Evans also lived at this address.

1962 Cecil and Ginger Patton, renters

Clerk, State Health Department

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1959 John F. and Mary L. Grondin, renters

Repairman, AAA TV and Radio Service, 2020 S. Lamar Boulevard. NOTE: Cecil and Ginger Patton are not listed in the directory.

1955 S.R. and Grace Kuikendall, renters

Salesman

1952 Alfred, Jr. and Estelle Knopp, renters

Salesman, P.K. Williams Nash, 200-10 Congress Avenue.

1949 The address is not listed in the directory.

NOTE: Alfred, Jr. and Estelle Knopp are not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Cecil and Geneva (Ginger) Patton (ca. 1960 – ca. 1966)

Cecil C. and Geneva Patton are listed in the 1940 U.S. Census of Travis County; they rented their home. Cecil C. Patton was 36, had been born in Texas, and was a mechanic on the construction of the dam. Geneva Patton was 26, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a son, Jimmie D., 4; and a daughter, Bettie J., 2. The family had lived in rural Cochran County, Texas in 1935.

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Floor joists-paint-replace wiring.

Building permit to Olivia Moore to repair fire damage at the house (1958)