

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2016-0559
1709 E. 6TH STREET**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1883 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, wing-and-gable plan, frame house with synthetic siding, some replacement windows, and a partial-width, shed-roofed independent porch.

RESEARCH

The house appears to have been built around 1883 by Andrew Sanders, a Swedish immigrant who worked as a car inspector and repairman for the Houston and Texas Central Railroad. His daughter, Esther, married August Gustafson; they moved into this house and Andrew Sanders and his wife moved into a house next door. August Gustafson was first listed as a laborer, then a pipefitter, and then went to work as a car repairman for the International and Great Northern Railroad around 1913. He and Esther lived in this house until the early 1950s, when they both passed away.

The house was then purchased by Robert and Margaret Moreno, who lived here for the rest of their lives. Robert Moreno was a cook at the Pik-Nik Grill on the north end of the Drag. He is not listed in the city directories after the early 1970s, but both his and Margaret's obituaries reference their marriage until their deaths. Margaret Moreno was a child and family services aide and social worker.

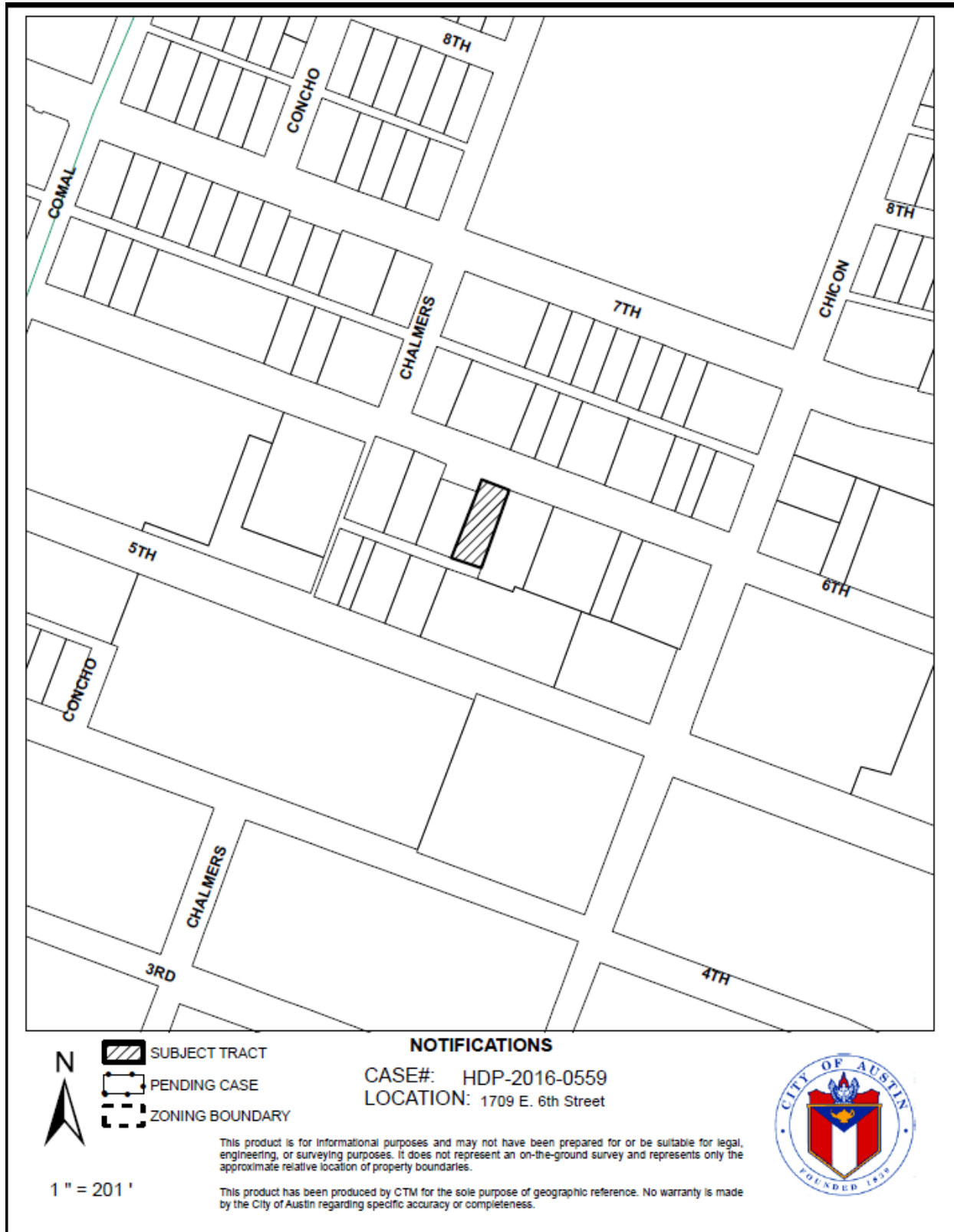
STAFF COMMENTS

The house is listed in the East Austin Historic Survey (1980); the survey photograph shows wood siding, wood windows, and a Palladian window in the tympanum of the front gable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Postpone to September 26, 2016 or initiate historic zoning to fully evaluate alternatives to demolition. While this house has undergone some architectural modifications over the years, and since 1980, it maintains its basic character, and is one of a handful of 19th century houses remaining on E. 6th Street. Every effort should be made to retain and preserve this house. If the Commission decides to release the permit, then staff recommends 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.

LOCATION MAP



1709 E. 6th Street
ca. 1883



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 1709 E. 6th Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
May, 2008

1992	Margaret L. Moreno, owner Retired
1987	Margaret L. Moreno, owner Retired
1981	Margaret L. Moreno, owner Social worker, State Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation
1977	Margaret L. Moreno, owner Aide, Child and Family Services
1973	Margaret L. Moreno, owner Aide, Model City Child and Family Service Center (no listing in the alphabetical section of the directory).
1968	Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno, owners

	Robert: Cook, Pik-Nik Restaurant, 3023 Guadalupe Street. Margaret: Checker, Overby Cleaners, 1518 Manor Road.
1967	Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno, owners Cook, Pik-Nik Restaurant (George T. and Opal Ramsey, proprietors), 3023 Guadalupe Street
1965	Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno, owners Cook, Pik-Nik Restaurant, 3023 Guadalupe Street.
1962	Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno, owners Cook, Pik-Nik Grill, 3023 Guadalupe Street.
1959	Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno, owners Cook, Pik-Nik Grill, 3023 Guadalupe Street.
1957	Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno, owners Cook, Pik-Nik Grill (Opal Ellard, proprietor), 3023 Guadalupe Street
1955	Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno, owners No occupation listed
1952	August G. Gustafson, owner No occupation listed NOTE: Robert B. and Margaret L. Moreno are listed at 45 San Marcos Street. He was a cook at the Pik-Nik Grill, 3023 Guadalupe Street; she was a saleslady at Mangel's, women's clothing, 614 Congress Avenue.
1949	August G. and Esther L. Gustafson, owners No occupation listed
1947	August G. and Esta Gustafson, owners No occupation listed
1944-45	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners No occupation listed
1940	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners No occupation listed Also listed are Arthur G. Gustafson, a clerk at the Driskill Hotel; and Wallace Gustafson, a clerk at Wilson's Food Store, 1805 E. 6 th Street.
1939	August G. and Esther A. Gustafson, owners No occupation listed
1937	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Car inspector
1935	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Laborer, Austin Oil Manufacturing Company (D.H. and W.T. Caswell, proprietors), 411 Chicon Street. NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1932-33	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners

	Car inspector, Missouri Pacific Railway NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1930-31	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Car inspector (no place of employment listed) NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1929	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Car inspector (no place of employment listed) NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1927	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Car inspector, International and Great Northern Railroad NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1924	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Driver, Gulf Refining Company NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1922	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners No occupation listed NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1920	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Car repairs, International and Great Northern Railroad NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1918	August G. and Esther Gustafson, owners Car repair, International and Great Northern Railroad NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street
1916	August G. Gustafson Car repair, International and Great Northern Railroad NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street
1914	August G. Gustafson Car repair NOTE: The house is listed as 1811 E. 6 th Street.
1912-13	August G. Gustafson Pipefitter NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6 th Street
1910-11	August G. Gustafson Laborer NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6 th Street
1909-10	Andrew A. Sanders No occupation listed August Gustafson Car repair, Houston and Texas Central Railroad NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6 th Street.

- 1906-07 Andrew A. Sanders
No occupation listed
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
- 1905 Andrew A. Sanders
No occupation listed
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
NOTE: August Gustafson is not listed in the directory.
- 1903-04 Andrew A. Sanders
Car repair, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
NOTE: August Gustafson is not listed in the directory.
- 1900-01 August A. Sanders
Foreman, car repairs, Houston and Texas Central shops
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
- 1898-99 August A. Sanders
Foreman, car repairs, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
- 1897-98 Andrew A. Sanders
Foreman, car repairs, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
- 1895-96 Andrew A. Sanders
Foreman, car repairs, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
- 1893-94 August A. Sanders
Car inspector, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as 1809 E. 6th Street.
- 1891-92 Andrew A. Sanders
Foreman, car repairs, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as being on the south side of E. 6th Street, east of Comal Street.
- 1889-90 Andrew A. Sanders
Car inspector, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as being on the south side of E. 6th Street, 2 blocks east of Comal Street.
- 1887-88 Andrew A. Sanders
Car inspector, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as being on the south side of E. 6th Street, 2 blocks east of Comal Street.
- 1885-86 Andrew A. Sanders
Car inspector, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
NOTE: The house is listed as being on the south side of E. 6th Street, 2 blocks east of Comal Street.

1883-84 Andrew A. Sanders
Works at the Houston and Texas Central Railroad Depot
NOTE: The house is listed as being east of the city on Pecan Street.

1881-82 Andrew Sanders is not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Andrew A. Sanders (ca. 1883 – ca. 1910)

The 1900 U.S. Census lists an Edward [Andrew] Sanders at this house, which is addressed as 1809 E. 6th Street. He was 52 years old, had been born in Sweden, and had immigrated to the United States in 1870. He listed his occupation as a car inspector. His wife, Christine [Ida], was 42, had been born in Sweden, and immigrated to the United States in 1875. They had four children: Beda, 19, Wesley, 16, Henning, 15, and Esther, 18. Esther Sanders married August Gustafson and continued to live in this house after her marriage.

The 1920 U.S. Census shows Andrew A. and Ida C. Sanders as the owners of the house at 1809 E. 6th Street in Austin, which would have been next door, as August and Esther Gustafson were living in this house at the time of the census report. Andrew A. Sanders was 73, had been born in Sweden, and immigrated to the United States in 1875. He became a naturalized citizen in 1888. He had no occupation listed. Ida C. Sanders was 68, had been born in Sweden, and immigrated to the United States in 1875, and had no occupation listed. They had a son, Henning A., 33, who had been born in Texas, and worked as a flower gardener at the cemetery.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Ida C. Sanders as the owner of the house next door at 1809 E. 6th Street, which was worth \$1,700. She was a 71-year old Swedish-born widow with no occupation listed. She had roomers: James and Connie Dounain. James Dounain was 32, had been born in Texas, and was a switchman in the train yard. Connie Dounain was 19, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed.

A. A. SANDERS

A. A. Sanders, aged 80, passed away at his home, 1809 East Sixth street, Saturday evening after a long illness. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Beda Frederickson, of Georgetown, and Mrs. Esther Gustafson, of Austin; one son, Henry Sanders, of Austin, and four grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon, 3:30 o'clock, from the residence and 4 o'clock at the Swedish Methodist church, with the Rev. Oscar E. Linstrum, officiating. Interment will be in Oakwood cemetery.

Obituary of Andrew A. Sanders
Austin American-Statesman, May 27, 1928

August and Esther Gustafson (ca. 1908 – ca. 1953)

The 1910 U.S. Census shows the house addressed as 1809 E. 6th Street occupied by August Gustafson, 25, his wife Esther, 22, and son Arthur, 1. August Gustafson had been born in Sweden and worked as a car repairer for the railroad company. Esther Gustafson had been born in Texas, as had their son. Esther Gustafson had no occupation listed. Andrew A. and Ida Sanders are not listed in this census report.

The 1920 U.S. Census shows August G. and Esther A. Gustafson as the owners of this house, which is addressed as 1811 E. 6th Street. August Gustafson was 36, had been born in Sweden, and had immigrated to the United States in 1905. He became a naturalized citizen in 1910. He was a car repairer for the railroad. Esther A. Gustafson was 32, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 3 sons: Arthur G., 10; Oscar W., 6; and Clifford E., 2.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows August and Esta Gustafson as the owners of the house addressed as 1811 E. 6th Street; the house was worth \$2,000. August Gustafson was 46, had been born in Sweden, and was a car inspector for the railroad. Esta Gustafson was 42, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 3 sons living with them: Oscar, 17; Clifford, 12; and Wullas [?], 7. All of the boys had been born in Texas, and none had an occupation shown.

Her 1951 death certificate shows that Esther Gustafson was the daughter of A.A. and Ida Sanders. She was living at this house at the time of her death. She was born in 1888 in Texas, and was a housewife.

His 1953 death certificate shows that August Gustafson was living at this house at the time of his death. He had been born in Sweden in 1883 and was a widower. He was a repairman for the railroad.

MRS. ESTHER GUSTAFSON

Mrs. Esther Gustafson, a lifetime resident of Austin, died at her home, 1709 East Sixth Street, Thursday.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Cook Funeral Home with the Rev. Will Mathis Dunn officiating.

She is survived by her husband, August G. Gustafson of Austin; three sons, Arthur Gustafson and Oscar Gustafson, both of Austin, and Clifford E. Gustafson of Georgetown; one sister, Mrs. F. E. Frederickson of Georgetown, and one brother, Henry A. Sanders of Austin.

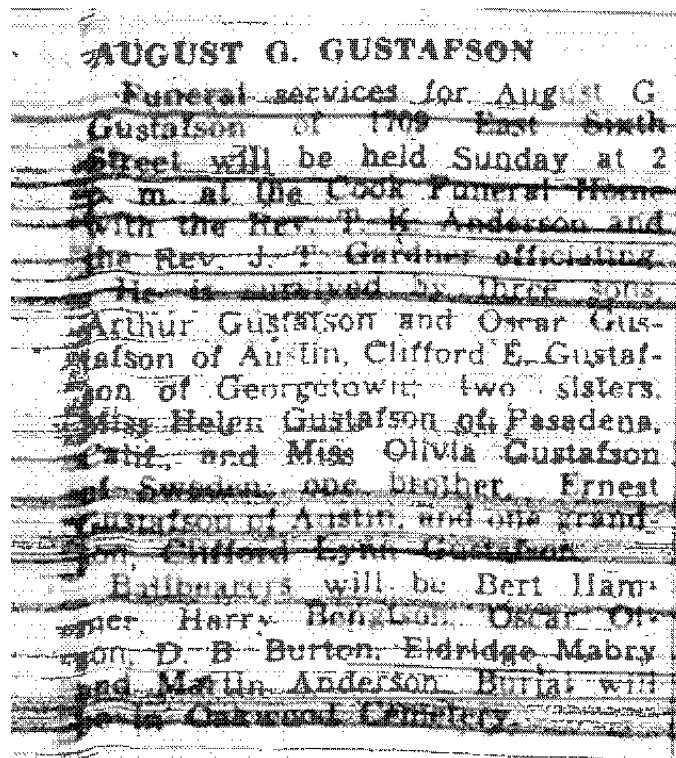
Pallbearers will be Harry Jensen, Elridge Mabry, Harry Sandberg, Harry Bengston, Will Hammer and A. T. Swahn. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Obituary of Esther Gustafson
Austin American, June 22, 1951

MRS. ESTHER GUSTAFSON

Funeral services for Mrs. Esther Gustafson will be held Saturday at 10:30 a. m. at the Cook Funeral Home with the Rev. Will Mathis Dunn officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Funeral notice for Esther Gustafson
Austin American, June 23, 1951



Obituary of August G. Gustafson
 Austin American-Statesman, August 9, 1953

Robert B. and Margaret Moreno (ca. 1953 – ca. 2003)

Robert and Margaret Moreno appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the renters of the house at 1209 Inks Avenue. Robert Moreno was 25, had been born in Texas, and was a cook in a cafe. Margaret Moreno was 23, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 3 children: Robert, Jr., 4; Rebecca, 3; and Rachel, 1. All the children had been born in Texas.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Robert Moreno as the 16-year old son of Frank and Mary Moreno, who lived at 806 East Avenue in Austin. Robert was the 3rd of the couple's 9 children. He had been born in Texas and was a clerk in a grocery store. His parents had both been born in Texas. His father was a waiter in a café; his mother had no occupation listed.

Robert B. Moreno

Robert B. Moreno, 74, of Austin died Saturday, March 23, 1991.

Rosary was recited at 7:00 PM, Monday at Mission Funeral Home Chapel. Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 2:00 PM, Tuesday, at Cristo Rey Catholic Church, with Reverend Father Daniel officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Survivors include Margaret L. Moreno; children, Robert L. "Coon" Moreno, Rebecca Arredondo, Rachael Moreno, Richard "Dickie" Moreno, all of Austin, Rudy Moreno and Roland L. Moreno, both of Houston, Tommie Lopez, Margaret Alvarado, Michael Moreno, all of Austin; sisters, Lucy Herrera, Annie Ledesma, Frances Rincon, Rosie Thanland; 30 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Dennis Arredondo, Jesse Moreno, Jr., Richard Moreno, Jr., Marc Moreno, James Moncebiaz, Donny Joe Alvarado, Rachel Moreno.

Arrangements entrusted to Mission Funeral Home, 1615 E. First. 476-4355.



Margaret L. Moreno

Margaret L. Moreno, age 86, of Austin, entered into eternal rest Friday, July 18, 2003.

She was a member of Cristo Rey Catholic Church. She was a foster grandparent at Austin Children's Hospital for over seven years. She was also a member of Salvation Army VIP's. She retired as a counselor from MHMR, she served as a counselor at Teenage Parenthood and was a certified Home Health Care Aide.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert B. Moreno; sons, Robert L. Moreno, Jr., and Jesse Rudolph Moreno, Sr.; daughter, Rebecca Arredondo; and parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Ledesma.

Mrs. Moreno is survived by her daughters, Tommie Lopez and husband, Johnny; Margaret "Linda" Alvarado and husband, Lupe; Rachel Moreno and husband, Jim; sons, Michael Moreno and wife, Terry; Richard Moreno and wife, Lucy, all of Austin; Roland Moreno of Houston, Texas; sisters, Connie Arredondo and Angelina Arzola; 32 grandchildren, 64 great-grandchildren, 4 great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

Rosary services were held at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, July 19, 2003, in the Colonial Chapel of the Cook-Walden Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 20, 2003, at Cook-Walden Funeral Home.

Funeral Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m., Monday, July 21, 2003, at Cristo Rey Catholic Church, 2110 East 2nd Street, with the Franciscan Friars officiating. Committal service will follow at Cook-Walden Capital Parks Cemetery in Pflugerville.

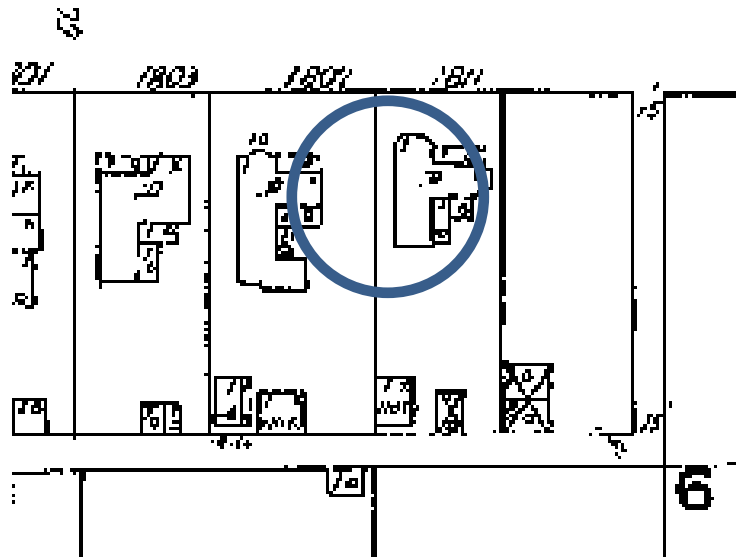
Honoring Mrs. Moreno as pallbearers will be Mark Moreno, Lupe Alvarado, DJ Alvarado, Dennis Arredondo, Jesse Rudolph Moreno, James Moncebaiz, John Robert Moreno, and Anthony Moreno. Honorary will be Gilbert Castillo and Roger Herrera.

A special thanks from the family to Dr. David Hayes, Cardiologist for his compassion and caring.

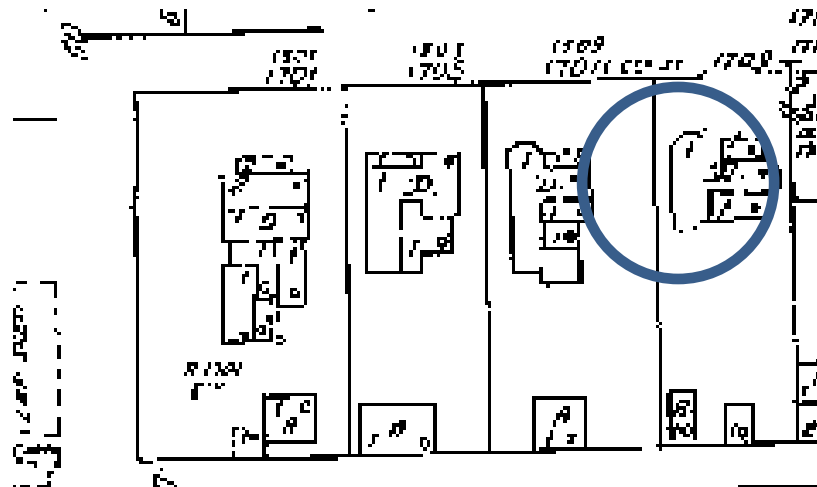


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Obituary of Margaret Moreno
Austin American-Statesman, July 20, 2003



The 1922 Sanborn map shows the house. No previous Sanborn maps covered this area of the city.



The 1962 Sanborn map shows the house with a modification of the back porch.

OWNER	Margaret Morenpo	ADDRESS	1709 E. 6th St.
			E. Center 53' of N.150 of W
PLAT	23	LOT	323. BLK.
SUBDIVISION	Original City		
OCCUPANCY	Repair & remodel res.		
BLDG. PERMIT #	199977	DATE	7-30-80
		OWNERS ESTIMATE	3,000.00
CONTRACTOR	Town & Country Enterpr	NO. OF FIXTURES	
WATER TAP REC#	SEWER TAP REC#		
Repair & remodel res.			

Building permit to Margaret Moreno to repair and remodel the house (1980)

OWNER Margaret Moreno ADDRESS 1709 E 6th St.
PLAT 23 LOT E. Center 53. of No 150 of W. 323 BLK 6
SUBDIVISION Original City
OCCUPANCY Re Roofing
BLDG. PERMIT # 200111 DATE 8-1-80 OWNERS ESTIMATE 3,000.00
CONTRACTOR Town & Country Exterior NO. OF FIXTURES
WATER TAP REC# SEWER TAP REC#
Re Roofing & siding
Building permit to Margaret Moreno for siding and a new roof (1980)