

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 21, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2016-0757
2006 NEW YORK AVENUE

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1938 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, side-gabled board-and-batten frame house with a central, front-gabled independent porch; single 4:4 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house appears to have been built around 1938 as a rental property with African-American tenants. Tenants have included a laundress, a student, and a retired man.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is not listed in any City survey to date.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Postpone to December 19, 2016 to fully evaluate alternatives to demolition. This is a rare example of an African-American tenant house that used to be much more common in the city. Several others survive, some on Chicon Street, but this housing type is becoming increasingly rare and every effort should be made to rehabilitate and preserve this house.

LOCATION MAP



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-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2016-0757
LOCATION: 2006 New York Ave



1" = 167'

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2006 New York Avenue
ca. 1938



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2006 New York Avenue

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

1992	Leon and Frances Ortiz, renters Gardener NOTE: The directory indicates that Leon and Frances Ortiz were new residents at this address.
1985-86	Pedro Fernandez, renter Clerk NOTE: The directory indicates that Pedro Fernandez was a new resident at this address.
1981	Walter Allen, renter Retired
1977	Walter Allen, renter Retired
1973	Walter Allen, renter Retired
1968	Walter Allen, renter No occupation listed
1965	John D. and Pearline Allen, renters No occupation listed
1961	Harry and Ella Jones, renters No occupation listed
1957	Robert L. Stiles, renter No occupation listed
1953	Odessa Woods, renter No occupation listed
1949	Charles and Floy Louis, renters Student
1947	Charles and Floy Louis, renters No occupation listed
1944-45	Willie E. and Clara James, renters U.S. Army
1941	Novella Sneed, renter Laundress

1939 Robert Patton, renter
No occupation listed

1937 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: It is not clear whether this Robert Patton is listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Novella Sneed (ca. 1939 – ca. 1943)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Novella Sneed as the renter of this house. She was 34, had been born in Texas, and was a maid in a private home. With her lived her brother, Kermit Sneed, 29, a truck driver in road construction; sister, Tommie Sneed, 26, a maid in a private home; and cousin, Lucille Patton, 28, a maid in a private home.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Novella Sneed as a 24-year old Texas-born divorcee who worked as a cook for a private family. She lived with her brother at 1901 E. 17th Street in Austin, a house they rented. Novella Sneed was born in 1907 in Austin, and died in 1978 in Oakland, California.

Connection Charge \$ 12.00

Application for Sewer Connection. No 13973

Austin, Texas, 1-20 ✓ 1938

To the Superintendent of Sewer and Public Improvements,
City of Austin, Texas *1193-1195 Regulate*

Sir:— *on same day*

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by J.A. Gracy *2006 N York*

at 2006 New York Ave Street,

further described as lot E 41', block 15, outlot _____,

subdivision _____, division _____, plat 36,

which is to be used as a _____

In this place there are to be installed 1 fixtures.

I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance charge.

3' DEEP Respectfully, O.R. Lett

AT-PL

Stub Out _____

Connected 2-4 1938 *Permit date*

Size of Main 6 inches. *Hold for Inspect*

Size of Service 4 inches.

4 Feet Deep *in alley* *O.K. 2-4-38*

10 Feet from Property Line *W3*

_____ Feet from Curb Line *A-1105V*

Inspected by Boatright *Con 3' W*

Connection made by Wright *of EPL*

9.2.38

Sewer connection application for this address (1938)