

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 27, 2017  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
HDP-2017-0019  
2305 BLUEBONNET LANE

**PROPOSAL**

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Demolish a ca. 1941 house.

**ARCHITECTURE**

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One-story, rectangular-plan, hipped- and gabled-roofed stone veneer cottage.

**RESEARCH**

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The house was built in 1941 by J. Clifton and Hazel L. Phillips, who lived here until around 1967. J. Clifton Phillips was a radio dispatcher for the Austin Fire Department; Hazel Phillips worked as a clerk for the gas company. The house was a rental property in the late 1960s and early 1970s, and has been a commercial property since around 1990.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

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The house is beyond the bounds of any City survey.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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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 necessary for individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

**NOTIFICATIONS**  
CASE#: HDP-2017-0019  
2305 BLUEBONNET LANE



1" = 208'

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2305 Bluebonnet Lane  
ca. 1941





Google Streetview photo

## OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2305 Bluebonnet Lane

City Directory Research, Austin History Center  
By City Historic Preservation Office  
February, 2017

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| 1992    | Three Ring Service<br>Allen Danziger, proprietor<br>NOTE: There is no description of the business nor a residential address for Allen Danziger in the directory. |
| 1985-86 | Patricia Fraga, renter<br>Assistant office manager, Three Ring Service (Allen B. Danziger, proprietor), entertainment, 1715 S. 1 <sup>st</sup> Street.           |
| 1981    | No return  |
| 1977    | No return  |
| 1973    | Barry and Suzie Vacne, renters<br>No occupation listed   |
| 1968    | Joe and Beverly A. Mays, renters<br>Proprietor, Church's Fried Chicken, restaurant, 1150 Airport Boulevard.  |
| 1965    | Hazel H. Phillips, owner<br>Widow, J. Clifton Phillips<br>Clerk, Southern Union Gas, 422 Congress Avenue.  |

- 1961 J. Clifton and Hazel H. Phillips, owners  
 J. Clifton: City firefighter  
 Hazel: Clerk, Southern Union Gas, 422 Congress Avenue.
- 1957 J. Clifton and Hazel Phillips, owners  
 J. Clifton: Dispatcher  
 Hazel: Clerk, Southern Union Gas, 422 Congress Avenue.
- 1954 Joseph Clifton and Hazel Phillips, owners  
 Joseph: Dispatcher, City Fire Department  
 Hazel: Clerk, Southern Union Gas, 422 Congress Avenue.
- 1952 Joseph Clifton and Hazel Phillips, owners  
 Joseph: Alarm operator, Fire Department  
 Hazel: Clerk, Southern Union Gas, 422 Congress Avenue.
- 1949 Joseph Clifton and Hazel Phillips, owners  
 Operator, Fire Department  
 NOTE: Hazel Phillips is not separately listed in the directory.
- 1947 Joseph Clifton and Hazel Phillips, owners  
 Radio operator, Fire Department
- 1944-45 J. Clifton and Hazel Phillips, owners  
 Operator, Fire Department
- 1942 J. Clifton and Hazel Phillips, owners  
 Operator, Fire Department
- 1941 The address is not listed in the directory.  
 NOTE: J.C. and Hazel Phillips are listed at 2105 Montclair Drive; he was an operator for the Fire Department.

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:**

##### **J. Clifton and Hazel Phillips (ca. 1941 – ca. 1967)**

The 1940 U.S. Census shows J. Clifton and Hazel Phillips at 2401 Bluebonnet Lane in Austin, which is most likely this house. They owned the house, which was worth \$300. J. Clifton Phillips was 42, had been born in Texas, and was a fire alarm operator for the City Fire Department. Hazel Phillips was 33, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a son, J. Clifton Phillips, Jr., 14, who had been born in Texas and had no occupation listed. With them lived J. Clifton Phillips' grandmother, Tiena Andrews, a 77-year old Ohio-born widow with no occupation listed.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Clifton and Hazel Phillips renting the house at 812 Taylor Street in Austin. Clifton Phillips was a 32-year old Texas-born secretary to the fire chief. Hazel Phillips was 23, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed.

According to his 1964 death certificate, Joseph Clifton Phillips was living at this address at the time of his death. He was born in 1897 in Beckville, Texas, and was a retired dispatcher for the Fire Department.

**JOSEPH C. PHILLIPS SR.**

Joseph Clifton Phillips Sr., 66, of 2305 Bluebonnet Lane died in a local hospital Wednesday afternoon. Member of Ward Memorial Methodist Church and resident of Austin 51 years, he was a retired employe of the city fire department with 37 years service.

Survivors include his widow, Hazel; son, Clifton Phillips Jr., Austin; brother, Thurman Phillips, Houston; three sisters, Mrs. Homer Griffin, Mrs. Sybil Small and Dr. Irmabelle Phillips, Austin; and three grandchildren.

Funeral is tentatively set for 2 p.m. Friday at Hyltin-Manor Funeral Home with Rev. Albert

Merubia officiating. Burial will be in Forest Oaks Memorial Park.

Obituary of J. Clifton Phillips  
Austin American, November 19, 1964

### **J. CLIFTON PHILLIPS SR.**

Funeral for J. Clifton Phillips Sr., of 2305 Bluebonnet Lane, will be Friday at 2 p.m. at Hy-tin - Manor Funeral Home with Rev. Albert Merubia officiating. Burial will be in Forest Oaks Memorial Park.

Phillips, veteran of 37 years with the Austin Fire Department, died in a local hospital Wednesday.

Pallbearers will be Oscar Lane, Leon Moffett, O. Dean Puryear, Ralph Laughlin, Mike Nagel, A. J. Hamilton Sr., George Rogers and Gene Sappington.

Funeral notice for J. Clifton Phillips  
Austin American, November 20, 1964

### **Hazel Lucile Phillips**

**Hazel Lucile Phillips, age 81, died Tuesday.**

**She was a life long resident of the Austin area and a member of the Ward Memorial United Methodist Church, also a member of the Marina Chapter #883 Order of the Eastern Star.**

**She is survived by one sister, Velma Boone of Austin; three grandchildren, Nancy Gleason of Kerrville, J. Clifton Phillips, III of Austin, James Lee Phillips stationed with the U.S. Navy in Okinawa. In addition she is survived by one sister-in-law, Nell Hamilton of Converse; six great-grandchildren and three nieces including, Shirley Jean Winston of Wimberley.**

**Graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM, Thursday at Forest Oaks Memorial Park, with the Reverend**

**Grout of Ward Memorial United Methodist Church officiating.**

**Arrangements entrusted to Forest Oaks Funeral Home, 6300 W. William Cannon Drive at Hwy 290 West, Oak Hill. 892-1172.**

Obituary of Hazel L. Phillips  
Austin American-Statesman, February 3, 1988

6" Main moved; changed in Tap D-3028

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## WATER SERVICE PERMIT

Austin, Texas

No. 16171  
**INDEXED**

Received of Clifton Phillips Date July 14, 1941

Address 2305 ~~2403~~ Bluebonnet Lane

Amount Two and 50/100 \$ 2.50

Plumber Harton

Description	No.	Fittings	Size	Size of Tap
Date of Connection				
Size of Tap Made				
Size Service Made				
Size Main Tapped				
From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock				
From <u>S.</u> Prop. Line to Curb Cock				
Location of Meter				
Type of Box				
Depth of Main in St.				
Depth of Service Line				
From Curb Cock to Tap on Main				
Checked by Engr. Dept.				

No. Fittings: 1 Curb Cock, 1 Elbow, 1 St. Elbow, 1 Bushing, 1 Reducer, 1 Pipe, 1 Lead Comp., 1 Nipples, 1 Union, 1 Plug, 1 Tee, 1 Stop, 1 Box, 1 Lid, 1 Valves, 1 Job No., 1 Req. No.

Water service permit to Clifton Philips for this house (1941)

Note that the original address on the permit is 2403 Bluebonnet Lane – the address shown for Clifton and Hazel Phillips in the 1940 U.S. Census is 2401 Bluebonnet Lane, which may have been another small house, or this house.