

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS
FEBRUARY 26, 2018
NRD-2018-0004
2505 Wooldridge Drive
Old West Austin

PROPOSAL

Demolish the existing one-story attached garage and construct a two-story addition in its place; construct a two-story addition to the right of the principal block; construct a rear addition.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The applicant proposes to demolish the existing one-story attached garage and construct a two-story addition in its place; the first floor of the addition will consist of a new garage with living space above. The proposed addition will have painted brick on the ground floor to match that on the house with hardi-plank siding above; the roofline of the addition will be punctuated with a pair of gabled dormer windows. The applicant further proposes the demolition of an existing one-story non-historic addition to the right side of the principal block of the house and the construction of a two-story addition in its place. The materials of the addition will match those proposed for the garage addition. Finally, the applicant proposes the construction of a large two-story addition to the rear of the house that will extend the entire length of the house and will have painted brick as the principal material. The slate roof on the house will be replaced with a new slate roof, and the additions will both have slate roofs to match that proposed for the house. The columns on the front of the house will be replaced with new columns to match the existing. All new windows will match existing windows in terms of materials, size, and configuration.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The Old West Austin National Register Historic District has no design guidelines for additions to contributing buildings. General design principles for additions to contributing buildings in historic district emphasize compatibility with the existing building in terms of materials, size, scale, fenestration patterns, and floor-to-ceiling ratios, and to retain the character-defining features on the house, especially on the front.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the permit as proposed. The proposed additions visible from the street are compatible with the historic character of the house.