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December 10, 2018

Ms. Brenda Walton
Walton Homes, LLC.
2505 Mitchell Ln
Austin, TX 78748

Re: 1809-1811 Newton

Dear Ms. Walton:

As per our conversation on December 5, 2018, Preservation Austin holds a restrictive covenant for the property at 1809-1811 Newton, lots 7 and 8, block Swisher Addition (includes lots 7B and 8A). This restrictive covenant was filed with the deed in the Real Property Records of Travis County, Volume 13195, Pages 2751 to 2756, filed June 2, 1998. The Release of the First Right of Refusal was recorded in the Real Property Records of Travis County on February 24, 2017.

Please note that the covenant directs the owner to provide Preservation Austin with notification and written proposal before commencing any alteration, modification, removal or change to the property. As of yet, we have seen no proposal. However, it is our understanding that a Certificate of Appropriateness (C14H-2000-0012) has been submitted to the City of Austin Historic Preservation Program and the Historic Landmark Commission. That certificate of appropriateness includes relocation of the historic outbuilding. The historic outbuilding has been moved once before and we feel that another move would not only adversely affect the context but may damage the structure, therefore we **will not** allow the outbuilding to be moved.

Further we concur with the recommendation by the Historic Preservation staff that the square footage of the proposed new houses be reduced so the outbuilding can remain in the current location. We agree that the new construction should be designed in such a manner as not to impact the historic buildings. We are also requesting from the Historic Landmark Commission that historic designation remain on the property that includes the new construction until such time as the project is completed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kate Singleton
Executive Director

CC: Mary Jo Galindo, Chair Historic Landmark Commission
Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Officer