

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JUNE 24, 2019
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2019-0286
411-411 ½ EAST 30TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca.1914 house and a ca. 1947 duplex, located on the same lot.

ARCHITECTURE

Front: One-story, Cumberland-plan frame house with horizontal wood siding, full-width porch, paired front doors, and 2:2 wood windows. Back: Two-story frame fourplex with wood siding, full-width second-floor porch, and 2:2 paired horizontal-pane aluminum windows.

RESEARCH

The front house appears to have been built around 1913-1914. It was a rental property for the majority of its lifespan. Nearly all of its inhabitants over the years were short-term renters, and most were students and University of Texas employees. Austin Fire Chief Oscar C. Widerstrom lived in the home briefly in 1914.

The back house, also constructed as a rental property, appears to have been built between 1947 and 1949. It began as a duplex and then gradually became a fourplex, as UT students sought affordable rentals near campus.

STAFF COMMENTS

The property appears in the 1984 Comprehensive Cultural Survey with no priority recommendation.

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) Both buildings are more than 50 years old.
- 2) The front house appears to retain a high degree of integrity; the back, a moderate degree.
- 3) Properties must meet two historic designation criteria for landmark designation (City of Austin Land Development Code, Section 25-2-352).
 - a. **Architecture.** The front house is designed in a double-pen/Cumberland style. It does not appear to possess architectural significance, though it does represent a vanishing house type in Austin. The rear house is vernacular in style and does not appear to possess architectural significance.
 - b. **Historical association.** There do not appear to be significant historical associations.
 - c. **Archaeology.** The property was not evaluated for its potential to yield significant data concerning the human history or prehistory of the region.
 - d. **Community value.** The property does not appear to have a unique location, physical characteristic, or significant feature that contributes to the character, image, or cultural identity of the city, a neighborhood, or a particular group.
 - e. **Landscape feature.** The property is not a significant natural or designed landscape with artistic, aesthetic, cultural, or historical value to the city.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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. Though the house is a rare example of an intact “double pen” style house in Austin, it does not meet the criteria for individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2019-0286
LOCATION: 411 E 30TH Street



1" = 147'

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PROPERTY INFORMATION



Front house



Back house. Source: Zillow.com

Occupancy History

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office, May 2019

- 1992 411 A: John T. Yang, renter
 411 B: Thad M. Morgan, renter
- 411½ A: Charles Chui, renter
 411½ B: Vacant
- 1985-86 411 A: Marcia Henize, renter
 Student
 Note: the directory indicates that Marcia Henize was a new resident.
- 411½ A: Vacant
- 1981 411 A: Pieter Wykoff, renter
 Student
- 411½ A: No return
- 1977 411 A: Vacant
 411 B: Vacant
- 411 ½ A: C. Larrid, renter
 411½ B: Wallace Arther, renter
 Printer
 Note: the directory indicates that Wallace Arther was a new resident.
- 411½ C: David Miller, renter
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- 1973 411 A: Laura Haun, renter
 Student
 Note: the directory indicates that Laura Haun was a new resident.
 411 B: Vacant
- 411½ A: Vacant
 411½ B: Mary Church, renter
 Student
- 1968 411 A: Carl A. Walzel, renter
 Dishwasher, Allendale Cafeteria
 411 B: Jack D. Gude, renter
 Dishwasher, Allendale Cafeteria
- 411 ½: Vacant
- 1965 411 A: Donald and Patsy Bennett, renters
 Student
 411 B: Michael C. and Lynne Byrd, renters
 Student
- Rear: Donald H. and Patricia Bennett, renters
 Student
- 1962 411 A: William R. Beard, renter
 Student
 411 B: Louis E. Bell, renter
- 411 ½ A: Bernard C. Baumbach, renter
 411 ½ B: Vacant
- 1959 411 A: James C. Sealef, renter
 411 B: Robert Montgomery, renter
 Student
- 411 ½ A: Vacant
 411 ½ B: Charles S. Gardiner, Jr., renter
 Student
- 1955 411 A: Ben B. Franklin, renter
 Student
 411 B: Dal Y. and Marilyn Ingersoll, renters
 Student
- 411 ½ A: Vacant
 411 ½ B: Arthur C. and Margaret Hall, renters
 Student
- 1952 411 A: Vacant
 411 B: Vacant
- 411 ½: Leila Mc Geath, renter
 Student, UT
 411 ½ A: Roy R. and Betty L. Horn, renters

Student
 411 ½ B: Henrietta Ruhmann, renter
 Student

1949 411 A: Gerald Marable, renter
 411 B: Kenneth Pringle, renter

411 ½: Murray V. Witzel, renter
 James Ocker, renter

1947 411: Morris Burks, renter

411 ½: Richard J. Stockton, renter

1944-45 411: Harry J. Mason, renter

411 ½: John R. Stockton, renter

1941 411: Rayburn Bell, renter

411 ½: Richard Stockton, renter

1939 H.J. Dippel, renter

1935 Note: The address is listed as 121 E. 30th St.
 M.A. Sheppard, renter

1932-33 W.A. Casseday, renter

1929 W.A. Casseday, renter

1927 Reverend J.L. Davis, renter

1924 Claude D. Peake, renter

1922 C.D. Peacke, renter

1920 W.H. Wilson, renter

1918 Vacant

1916 Oscar C. Widerstrom, renter
 Chief, Austin Fire Department; clerk, Voss & Koock

1914 Osman R. Manlove, renter
 Mechanician, UT School of Electrical Engineering

Building Permits

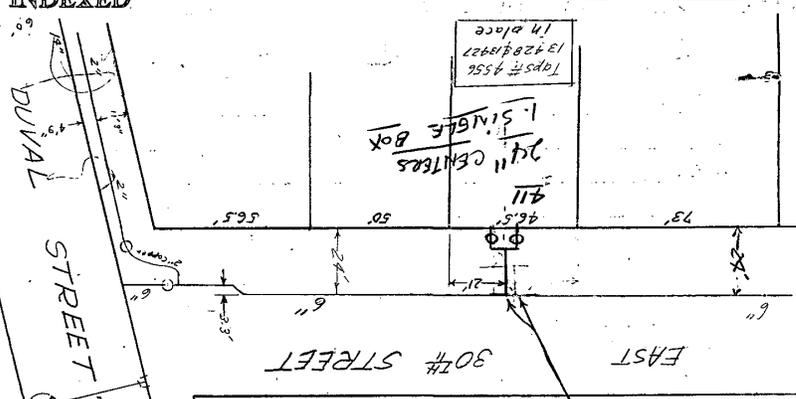
WATER SERVICE PERMIT

No. 34717

Received of MRS. C. H. STERZING Date 12-9-47
 Address 411 EAST 30
 Amount TWENTY AND 21/100
 Plumber BASEY
 Date of Connection 3-4-48
 Size of Tap Made 3/4"
 Size Service Made _____
 Size Main Tapped _____
 From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 7' 05"
 From E - Prop. Line to Curb Cock 21'
 Location of Meter CURB
 Type of Box LOCK
 Depth of Main in St. _____
 Depth of Service Line _____
 From Curb Cock to Tap on Main _____
 Checked by Engr. Dept. A. L. B. M. A.

No. Fittings	Size
2 Curb Cock	5/8"
2 Elbow	3/4" GALV.
2 St. Elbow	3/4"
2 Bushing	3/4" Steel
2 Reducer	3/4" X 1/2" GALV.
18 Pipe in	3/4" X 6" NIP
2 Lead Comp.	3/4" X 6"
2 Nipples	3/4" CLOSE
1 Plug	3/4" X 3/4"
1 Tee	3/4" X 3/4"
1 Stop	3/4" X 3/4"
1 Box	LOCK
1 Lid	LOCK
Valves	
Job No.	W. 322-507
Req. No.	

Replaces 13428



Water tap permit, 12-9-1947

SANITARY SEWER SERVICE PERMIT

No. 3295

Austin, Texas

Received of _____ Date 9/25/1916
 Address 411 E. 30th. 411 1/2
 Amount _____ \$
 Builder or Owner _____ Plumber _____
 Lot _____ Block _____ Subdivision _____ Plat No. _____

Date of Connection	<u>located 11/5/1959</u>	
By City	<u>1+29</u>	
By Plumber	_____	
Checked By	_____	
Size Main	<u>4"</u>	Depth _____
Main Assign.	<u>in alley</u>	
Stub Depth	_____	Prop. Line _____
Stub Location	<u>385</u>	
Book No.	_____	
Paving Cut	_____ No. _____	

No. Fittings	Price
48' Pipe	4"
Pipe	
Wyes	
Bends	4"
Reducers	
Plugs	
Sand	
Gravel	
Remix	
Stoppers	
Castings	
Other	
Labor:	

Sewer tap permit, 9-25-1916