HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION DECEMBER 16, 2019 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2019-0621

408 W. 34TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1951 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, L-plan building; cross-gabled roof; stone veneer and asbestos shingle siding; woodsash windows and possibly vinyl-sash windows as well; corner entry.

RESEARCH

408 W. 34th Street was built by Oliver Bruck and occupied by a series of short-term renters until at least 1992.

STAFF COMMENTS

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain a high degree of integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two historic designation criteria for landmark designation (City of Austin Land Development Code, Section 25-2-352). The property does not appear to demonstrate significance according to any criteria.
 - a. **Architecture.** The house is designed in the Minimal Traditional style and does not appear to be architecturally significant.
 - 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 house does not possess a unique location, physical characteristic, or significant feature that contributes to the character, image, or cultural identity of the city, the neighborhood, or a particular demographic group.
 - e. **Landscape feature**. The property is not a significant natural or designed landscape with artistic, aesthetic, cultural, or historical value to the city.

The property does not appear to be eligible for designation as a historic landmark.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use of the existing building, then relocation over demolition; but release the demolition 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.





CASE#: HDP-2019-0621 LOCATION: 408 W 34TH STREET

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1"=333'

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Photos



Primary (south) façade of 408 W. 34th Street.

Occupancy History

Completed by Historic Preservation Office staff, November 2019

1952	Carl D. and Louise Pearson, renters
	Salesman, no employer listed

Unit B. Vacant

1955	R. Bruce and Peggy Johnston, renters
	Physicist

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1960	Bruce R. and Peggy E. Johnston, renters
	Student

- 1963 Patty S. Williams, renter Computer programmer, State Education Agency
- 1965 Jack and Patty S. McKinney, renters Univac Tech Rem-Rand
- 1968 Jack and Patty S. McKinney, renters

Univac Tech Rem-Rand

1973	Marguerite Stulken, renter (widow of J. Erwin) Retired
1977	James Castleberry, renter Student
1981	Beith Reid, renter Waitress, no employer listed
1986	Gretchen Goza, renter Student
1992	Vacant

Building Permits and Maps

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Building permit for wood-frame residence and carport issued to O. N. and R. H. Bruck, 2/1/1951.

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Sewer tap permit issued to W. O. Harper, 3/19/1951.

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Water tap permit issued to Oliver Bruck, 3/19/1951.