HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION Permits in National Register Historic Districts May 24, 2021 GF-2021-060230 Clarksville National Register Historic District 1805 Waterston Avenue

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1952 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story side-gabled house with partial-width gabled porch, 2:2:2 picture window, board-and-batten siding, and attached carport.

RESEARCH

The house at 1805 Waterston Avenue was built around 1952 for Kelly Louis and Johnnie Mary Jackson Meador. Kelly Meador taught vocational studies at the Texas State Blind, Deaf, and Orphan School (later the Texas State School for the Deaf). A pastor's son, Meador was an active member of the Metropolitan AME congregation.

The Meadors were both Tillotson College alumni and contributed to the United Negro College Fund as fundraising committee members. They also operated the Economy Radio and TV Service, a repair shop, around 1959.

STAFF COMMENTS

The building contributes to the Clarksville National Register Historic District according to a 2018 historic resource survey.

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain moderate integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two criteria for landmark designation (LDC §25-2-352). Staff has evaluated the property and determined that it does not meet two criteria:
 - a. Architecture. The building does not appear to convey architectural significance.
 - b. Historical association. The property is associated with Texas School for the Deaf teacher Kelly Louis Meador.
 - 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 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.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive reuse, then relocation, but release the demolition permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package. New construction at this address must be reviewed by the Historic Landmark Commission prior to demolition permit release.



PROPERTY INFORMATION

Photos





Realtor.com, 2021

Occupancy History City Directory Research, April 2021

- 1959 Kelly L. and Johnnie M. Meador, owners Economy Radio & TV Service
- 1957 Kelly L. Meador, owner Teacher, State Blind Deaf & Orphan School
- 1955 Kelly L. and Johnnie M. Meador, owners Teacher, State Blind Deaf & Orphan School
- 1952 Address not listed

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The Austin American (1914-1973); May 21, 1944

Austin Teachers of Blind Attend Special Vision Class

Twenty-two Austinites were among the 46 teachers of the blind 2206 Leona; Mrs. Corinne Nance, who attended University of Texas 3305 Clearview Drive; Mrs. O. B.

The special offerings, sponsored in cooperation with American Foundation for the Blind, included a workshop for teachers of blind children, a course in principles and methods of teaching Braille, and instruction in physiology and hygiene of the eye.

Participants from Austin in-cluded Miss Thomasine Adams, 4104 Bull Creek Road; Mrs. Natalie Barrage, 42001/2 Speedway; iMss Clara Carlisle, 4407 Marathon; Miss Frankie Dearen, 4206 Bellvue Avenue: Stanley Fudell, 1706 Newfield Lane; Miss Mildred Dale Hall, 1603 Singleton.

Also Mrs. Estelle Hagood, 1208 Ruth Avenue: Mrs. Lucile Jones, 11841: Sol Wilson; Mrs. Catherine Kelley, 3306 Larry Lane; Bert Levine, 313 Atlanta; Mrs. F. E. Lewis, 6302 Wilbur; William J. Mc-Connell, 4104 Bull Creek Road; K. L. Meador, 1805 Waterston.

Also Miss Georgia Mable Myers, special education courses in vision. Passon, 1173 San Bernard; Leon The special offerings, sponsored Reid, 28041/2 Nueces; Mrs. Lillie M. Scourton, 1176 Graham; Mrs. E. A. Smith, 1160 San Bernard; Miss Madeline Smith, 2103 East 21st; Frederic G. Tacquard, Texas School for the Blind; and C. R. Young, 2116 Lawnmont.

UNCF Aid Sought By Group Here

The alumni wing of the United Negro College Fund annual drive has begun its Austin campaign to collect the quota assigned to the group in this area.

Representatives of the 31 colleges who have membership in the UNCF are contacting ex-students and alumni of colleges now re-ceiving UNCF aid.

Persons wishing to assist in the fund drive should contact John Q. Taylor King at 2-9652. Contributions may be made payable to the United Negro College Fund and mailed to King at Huston-Tillotson College.

President of the local interalumni council is W. L. Scourton, King is chairman of the fund raising committee, whose members include.

Mrs. Olive D. Brown, Mrs. D. M. Norman, Mrs. Mary Agnes Yer-wood, Dr. C. R. Yerwood-Odom, W. L. Scourton, president, Inter-Alumni Council, T. C. Calhoun, Mrs. Ada Simond, and Mrs. Verda P. Owens. The list of workers include: Mrs. Curtis Collins, L. C. Simond, Mrs. Curus Comns, L. C. Simond, Mrs. Theima Calhoun, Kelly Meador, Mrs. Johnnie M. Meador, Cornelius James, L. G. Jolly, Mrs. Katherine Hawkins, Mrs. A. M. Randolph, Mrs. Louise Wardward, Mrs. Cordia, Tellaw Woodward, Mrs. Cordie Talley, Mrs. Willie B. Manning, Mrs. P. W. Duncan, Mrs. M. E. Durden, Theodore Youngblood, Mrs. Clara-belle Biles, Norman T. Miller, Edward Battle, G. P. Norman, Arthur DeWitty, Mrs. D. F. Broosk, Valchester Scales, Nathaniel Kindred.

The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); Jun 30, 1954 and May 15, 1955

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



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1977 Texas School for the Deaf yearbook, Ancestry.com

Kelly Louis Meador Kelly Louis Meador was born January 5, 1921, in Yoakum, Texas, to the late Rev. Edward Meador and Nancy Robinson Meador. He departed this life on Monday, June 22, 2009, at Buckner Villas. He was a faithful member of Metropolitan AME Church, serving in many capacities for over 50 years. Kelly's memory will live on through his wife of 65 years, Johnnie M. Meador; brother George Meador and wife Adelle; sister, Iva Meador all of Houston; daughters, Marilyn Deen and husband Milton and Kelva Meador of Austin; granddaughters, Melanie Deen of Houston; Monica Deen of Dallas and Mallorie Deen of Austin; very special expended family members, Peggy Modesty of Austin, Elaine Stewart of Bryan and Bertha Means of Austin; and numerous friends. Services for Mr. Meador were held on Friday, June 26, 2009, at Metropolitan AME Church.

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