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Subject: GF-21-103669, 2502 Park View Drive

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Re: GF-21-103669, 2502 Park View Drive (Air Conditioned Village)

I write to urge Commissioners to follow staff recommendations to preserve 2502 Park View Drive and prevent its demolition.

I wholly concur with staff reasoning to preserve, in their case report about 2502 Park View:

“Strongly encourage the applicant to reconsider his application for total demolition by initiating historic zoning, as this house meets the historic landmark designation criteria for architecture, historical associations, and community value. This house is one of the premier examples of mid-century Modern architecture in the Air Conditioned Village, a proposed historic district, and every effort should be made to preserve the integrity of the house and historic district. The importance of Austin’s Air Conditioned Village in the broader theme of residential climate control for the middle-class families in the Sunbelt was perhaps understated in the first set of public hearings on this case, but Austin’s experiment set the stage for similar projects in other areas of the country, and was a significant and determining factor in the development of the American Southwest.”

Please preserve part of Austin’s history.

Sincerely,

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