## Allen, Amber

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## Hello,

If I need to send these comments via the physical form, please let me know. I am opposed to the demolition permit for this home. This home was recently restored (at least from what is visible on the exterior), so I do not understand the rationale for wanting to demolish it so soon after restoration. My neighborhood has seen so many homes demolished in the 12 years I have been living here and many more before then. Unfortunately, I do not know the historical significance of this home, so maybe that is the only basis that this board uses to determine if a permit should be given, but I am opposed to the consistent destruction of this neighborhood.

Austin is suffering from an acute housing shortage, especially of smaller, more affordable homes, as they are torn down and McMansions are built on the lots. The most affordable home is the one that is already built. If the property owner is hellbent on building another monstrosity on this plot of land, for the love of god please let them consider having the house moved to a different location instead of being thrown in the dump. The American impulse to throw away perfectly good things is destroying our history and the earth. We go to Europe on vacations and revel in the old historic buildings but throw our own away at the first opportunity.

Polina Koronkevich

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