HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION Permits in National Register Historic Districts June 7, 2023 HR-2023-051724 Old West Austin 2512 Wooldridge Drive

PROPOSAL

Construct a new 3-story building and pool.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The proposed new house is a cross-gabled building with a compound roofline. Its plan is roughly triangular. It is clad in stucco and masonry veneer. Fenestration includes an arched front door, rhythmic divided-light windows, and full-height and arched rear windows. The carport is concealed behind a metal gate at the front of the lot.

DESIGN STANDARDS

The City of Austin's <u>Historic Design Standards</u> (March 2021) are based on the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and are used to evaluate projects in National Register districts. The following standards apply to the proposed project:

Residential new construction

1. Location

The proposed location for the new house appears appropriate.

2. Orientation

The house's orientation is mostly appropriate; its unconventional plan is oriented in a way that reduces the visual impact of the secondary wing.

3. Scale, massing, and height

The proposed house's scale, massing, and height are mostly appropriate; though it is taller in height than most surrounding contributing buildings, its multiple stepbacks help to mitigate its increased height.

4. Proportions

The proposed house's proportions appear mostly appropriate.

5. Design and style

The building's design and style are consistent, and appear to reflect some of the characteristics of nearby contributing buildings.

6. Roofs

While the building's roofline is complex, the more complicated portions are not visible from the street.

7. Exterior walls

Proposed primary and secondary materials are mostly compatible.

8. Windows and doors

Proposed fenestration is mostly compatible.

11. Attached garages and carports

While the carport appears to be visible from the street, the canted position and screening will serve to reduce its visibility.

Summary

The project mostly meets the applicable standards.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Comment on plans.

LOCATION MAP

