HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION

DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS JULY 5, 2023

PR-2023-053006; GF-2023-060907 1509 EAST 14TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Partially demolish and construct an addition to a ca. 1926 house.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

- 1) Construct a two-story addition directly atop the existing on-story house. The proposed addition includes a partially open second floor, third-floor living space with skylights, and a side-gabled metal roof.
- 2) Replace existing siding with board-and-batten to match addition.
- 3) Replace existing windows.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, side-gabled National Folk house clad in board-and-batten siding, with partial-width porch and carport addition.

RESEARCH

The house at 1509 East 14th Street was constructed in the mid- to late-1920s as a rental property. Its first residents were Lucius and Zella Thompson, who stayed for only a short time. Lucius Thompson worked as a porter for Gottfried Heffler. By 1935, Irvin and Evelyn Bolden had moved in; they lived in the home for about ten years. Irvin Bolden worked as a cook at the PK Restaurant. By 1949, another cook named Margie Smith was renting the house. Later renters included Joe and Deloris Ockleberry and the Taylor family.

PROPERTY EVALUATION

The 2016 East Austin survey lists the property as contributing to potential local and National Register historic districts.

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

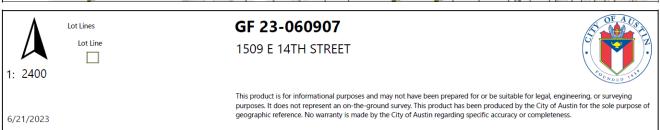
- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain high to moderate integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two criteria for landmark designation (LDC §25-2-352). Staff has evaluated the property and determined that it does not meet two criteria:
 - a. Architecture. The building is constructed with vernacular and National Folk influences.
 - b. Historical association. The property does not appear to have 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 property was not evaluated for its ability to convey 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 over demolition, but release the demolition permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

LOCATION MAP





PROPERTY INFORMATION

Photos







Demolition application, 2021

Occupancy History
City Directory Research, June 2023

1959 Harmon Taylor, owner Earnest Taylor, Jr., renter

1955	Joe and Deloris Ockleberry, renters Porter
1952	Margie Smith, renter
1949	Margie Smith, renter Cook
1944	Irvin and Evelyn Bouldin, renters
1941	Irvin and Evelyn Bolden, renters Cook
1939	Irvin and Evelyn Bolden, renters Cook, PK Restaurant
1935	Irvin and Evelyn Bolden, renters
1932	Lucius B. and Zella Thompson, renters Porter, Gottfried Heffler
1929	Address not listed

Historical Information

THE STATESMAN CONGRATULATES

SETON

MR. AND MRS. B. L. WIER, 4913 Jinx Avenue, a boy, Wednesday.

MR. and MRS. ERNEST TAY-LOR, 1509 East 14th Street, a girl, Tuesday.

Birth Notice 1 -- No Title. The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); 17 Oct 1958: 7.

Permits

OWNER Clarence Flournoy AD	DRESS 1509 East 14th St.		
PLAT 40 LOT N. 113.67' of N. 113 of 10t			
SUBDIVISION C.R. Johns	0		
OCCUPANCY Res.			
BLD PERMIT # 98687 DATE 2-11-66	OWNERS S ESTIMATE 650.00		
CONTRACTOR Joe Ockleberry	NO. OF FIXTURES 5		
WATER TAP REC # SEWER TAP REC #			
Remodeling & Repair Frame Res.			
\$145481 10-4-74 Joe Res. & Bring to Min.	Ockleberry Repair Exist. Stdrs. 300.00		

Remodel permit, 1966