

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION**  
**DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS**  
**SEPTEMBER 6, 2023**  
**PR-2023-102181; GF-2023-104782**  
**1800 FERDINAND STREET**

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**PROPOSAL**

Demolish a ca. 1963 house.

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**ARCHITECTURE**

Two-story brick house with Ranch stylistic influences.

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**RESEARCH**

The house at 1800 Ferdinand Street was built in 1963. Its first occupants were Lawrence Brown, Jr., and his wife, Gladys. Lawrence Brown, a Korean War veteran and recipient of the Combat Infantry Badge in 1952, worked as a clerk for the Internal Revenue Service throughout the 1960s and 1970s.

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**PROPERTY EVALUATION**

The 2016 East Austin Historic Resource Survey lists the property as contributing to a potential historic district.

*Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark*

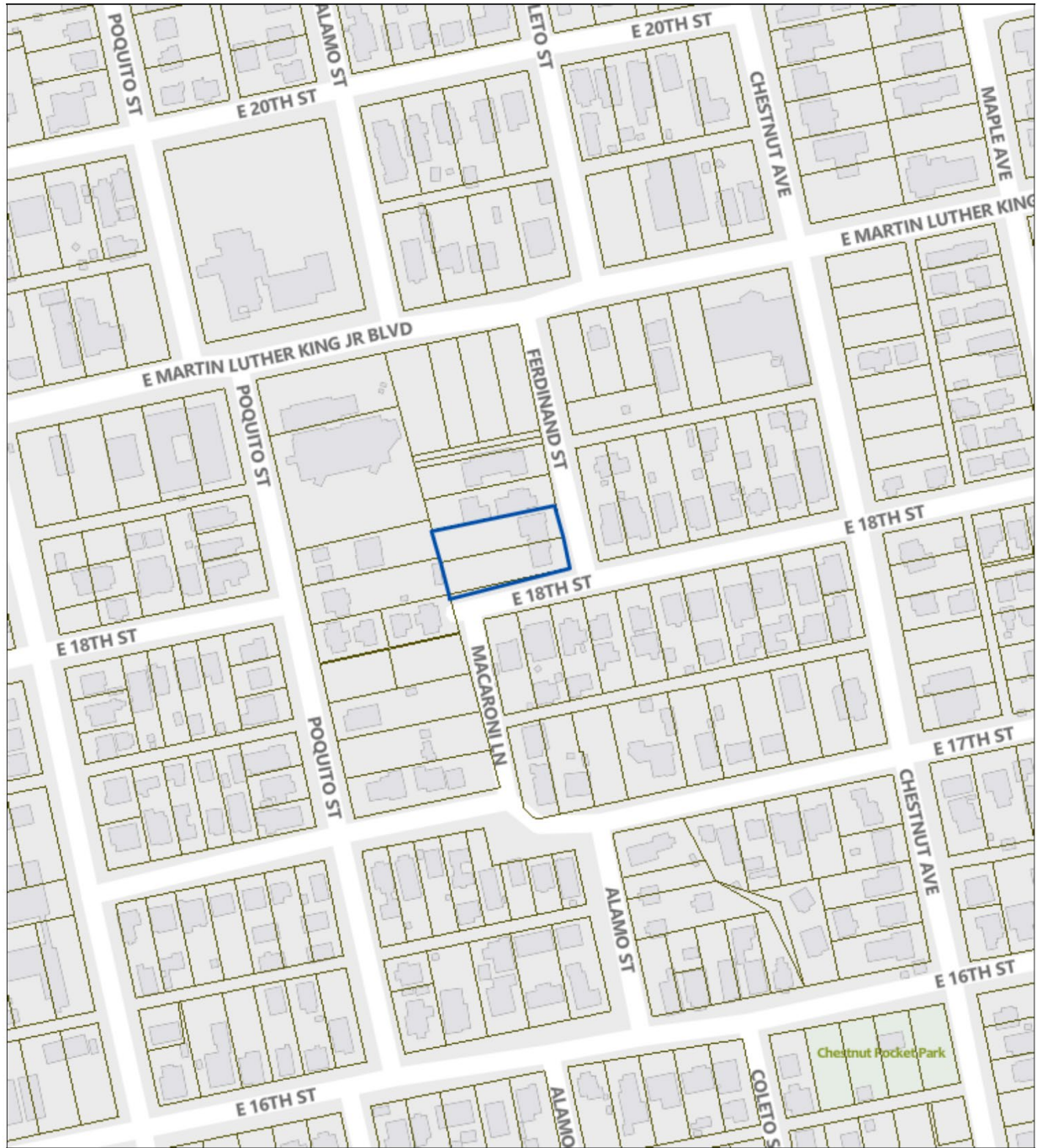
- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain high integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two criteria for landmark designation (LDC §25-2-352). Staff has evaluated the property and determined that it does not meet two criteria:
  - a. Architecture. The building does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


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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package.

# LOCATION MAP






1: 2400

8/23/2023

Lot Lines


Lot Line



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**PROPERTY INFORMATION***Photos*

*Occupancy History*  
City Directory Research, August 2023



1972 Lawrence Jr. and Gladys Brown, owners – IRS clerk  
 1967 Lawrence Jr. and Gladys Brown, owners – IRS clerk  
 1963 Address not listed

### Historical Information

#### WINS COMBAT BADGE

Private Lawrence Brown Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brown, 1606 Washington Avenue, has won the Combat Infantry Badge while serving in Korea with the 45th Infantry Division.

An assistant machine gunner in Company M of the 180th Infantry Regiment, Brown entered the Army in July 1951.

In the federal center, Lawrence Brown Jr., is an internal revenue employee. And guess what he's called? "LBJ."

1. PAYMENT MONEY ORDER, MONEY ORDERS and money orders payable to "Internal Revenue Service." TITLE OFFERED:  
 2. Only the right, title, and interest of John L. and Rella Smith in and to the property will be offered for sale SIGNATURE: Lawrence Brown, Jr., Revenue Officer, May 23, 1975  
 3. ADDRESS FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING SALE: Lawrence Brown, Jr., 300 E. 8th St., Room 771, Fed. Bldg., Austin, Tex. 512-397-5221  
 4. NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

*The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); 17 Mar 1952: 11*

*Wray Weddell's Austin. The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); 22 Dec 1965: 1.*

*The Austin American Statesman (1973-1980), Evening ed.; 25 May 1975: F24.*

### Permits

OWNER Joe P. Hoffman ADDRESS 1800 Ferdinand St.  
 PLAT 39 LOT 7 & 8 BLK. - DIV B OL 35  
 SUBDIVISION F. Wilhelm Sub  
 OCCUPANCY Brick Ven. Res. & Att. CP & Stg.  
 BLD PERMIT #86474 DATE 1-10-63 OWNERS ESTIMATE 10,000.00  
 CONTRACTOR Owner NO. OF FIXTURES 8  
 WATER TAP REC # w Paid SEWER TAP REC # s Paid  
 RESIDENCE