



This is perfect, thanks John!

From: John Cazares
Sent: Wednesday October 25 2023 4 57 PM
To: Rubio JuanRaymon-BC<BC-JuanRaymon.Rubio@austintexas.gov?
Subject: Pe Green and White Grocery

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To whom it may concern,

This is to inform you that I as the owner and proprietor of the Green and White, fully support the historical zoning of the property. I believe the historical zoning will greatly benefit the store and property as well as maintain a portion of the area s original character.

Sincerely

John L Cazares

On Oct 17, a portion of the 2023, at 4 48 PM, Rubio, JuanRaymon - BC < BC-JuanRaymon.Rubio@austintexas.gov> wrote

Amber/Kalan.

I'm reaching out to place the Green and White Grocery on November's agenda for consideration of initiation of historic zoning. The owner, John Cazares, is cc'd on this email for staff to include on future updates/to answer any questions. I'll work on getting support from a second commissioner. There's no better way to celebrate equity in preservation than to designate this East Austin historic resource as a local landmark.

John, feel free to reach out to myself if you have any questions on the process. I'm more than happy to help walk you through this. Once we place this on November's agenda, the item will go to Planning Commission, and then full City Council. This zoning change is the only tool that protects buildings from demolition, in addition to requiring design review for exterior alterations. I look forward to working with you on this, thanks for cementing the legacy of Green and White Grocery in East Austin.

As a reminder, here's some additional information on local landmark designation:

- Historic Landmark designation includes historic buildings, sites, cemeteries, or ruins.
- A building must be fifty years old or older, retain historic integrity, and meet two of five criteria for significance.
- Historic Landmark zoning is designated by City Council after approval by the HLC and the Planning Commission or the Zoning and Platting Commission.
- The HLC reviews and approves changes to the exterior or the site, including demolition review.
- Local historic zoning designation offers financial incentives:
 - o An annual tax exemption offered by the City of Austin, Travis County, and Austin Independent School District to owners of historic landmarks.
 - Heritage grants for owners of historic properties that attract out-of-town tourists.
 - O A <u>Preservation Austin bi-annual grant</u> for education, brick-and-mortar work, and planning, surveying, and local historic designation work.

Thanks,

JuanRaymon Rubio

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