

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
APRIL 3, 2024
PR-2024-025110; GF-2024-028852
3205 TOM GREEN STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1937 duplex and detached garage.

ARCHITECTURE

Two-story, square-plan duplex with horizontal wood siding, screened 1:1 and 6:6 wood windows, and a hipped roof.

RESEARCH

The duplex at 3205 Tom Green Street was built as a rental property in 1937. Its proximity to the University of Texas and to State offices made it an attractive home for students, State officials, and bookkeepers. Several insurance industry employees also lived in the house. Most tenants were short-term, and most were either single or lived only with one other person or spouse. This type of building was typical in Austin's early years, as new and part-time residents moved into the area and sought smaller apartments and duplexes.

PROPERTY EVALUATION

The North Central Austin survey lists the property as contributing to a potential historic district.

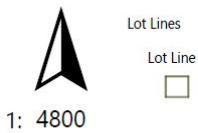
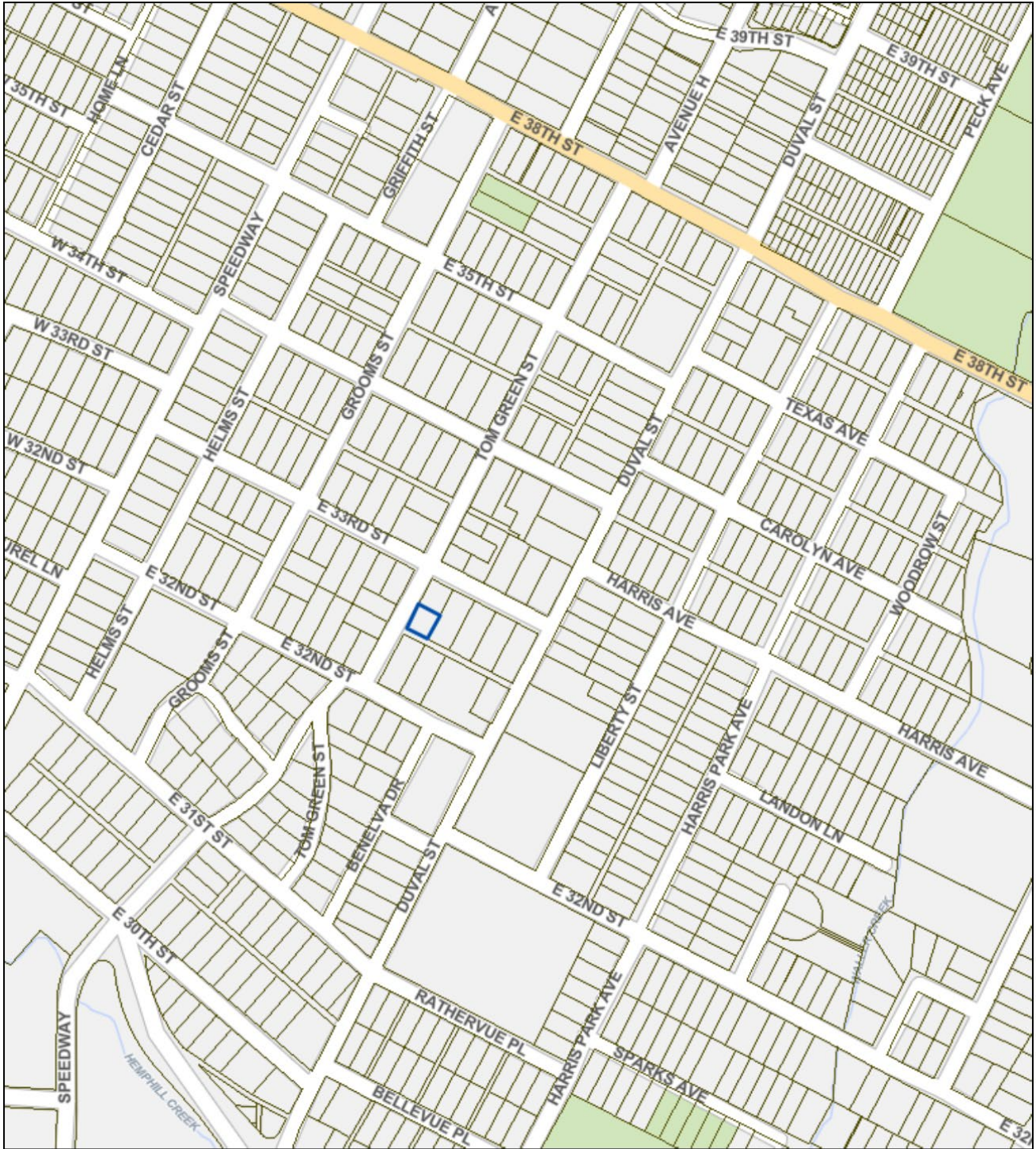
Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 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 for landmark designation:
 - a. Architecture. The building is a good example of an early-twentieth-century duplex.
 - 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 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.

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



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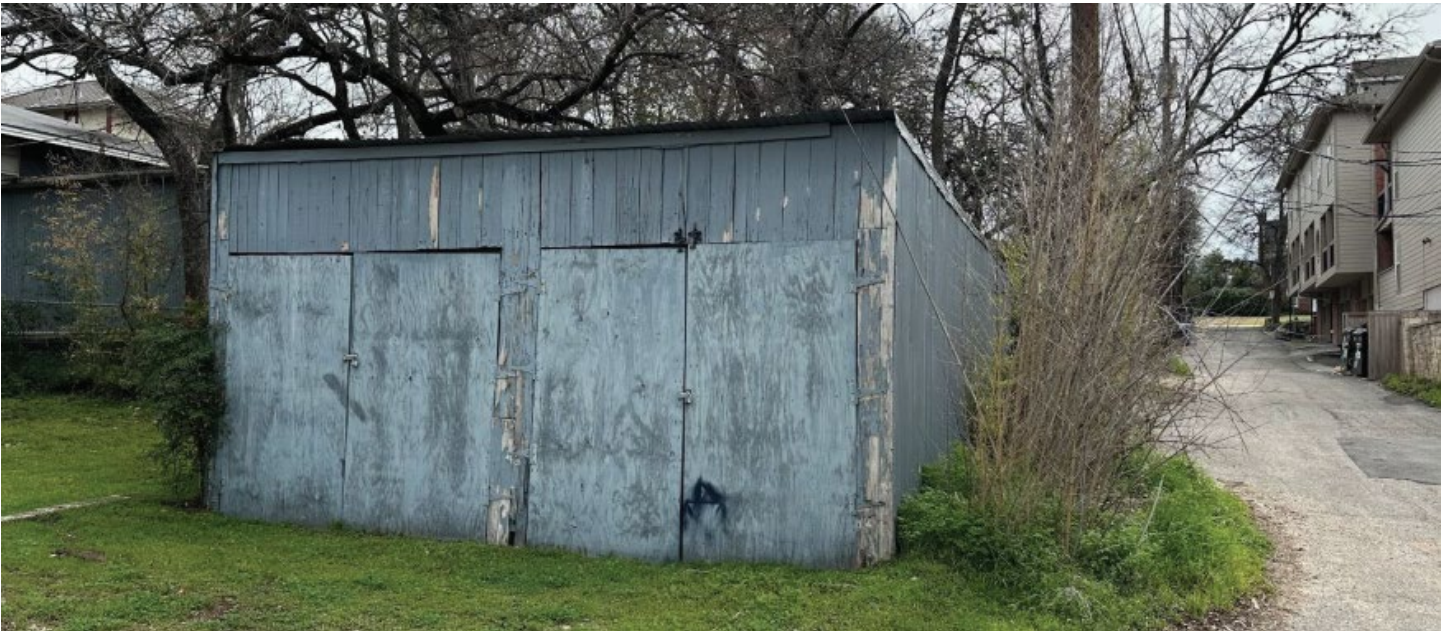


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PROPERTY INFORMATION*Photos*







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Occupancy History

City Directory Research, March 2024

1959	A. Vacant B. Ernest E. Hunt, renter
1955	A. J. W. Robbins, renter
1952	A: B. W. and Mildred Piwonka, renters – bookkeeper B: Robert E. and Sue Crain, owners
1949	A: Thomas and Harriet Crosson, renters – agent, Southland Life Insurance B: Richard E. and Yvonne Slaughter, renters – student
1944	A: Gerald A. and Doris Beaver, renters – US Army B: Cooly S. Jasper, renter
1941	A: Burkes P. and Edith Dougherty, renters – mailroom B: John and Betty Suter, renters – insurance underwriter
1939	A: J. Burwell, Jr. and Beatrice Pope, renters – office, 320 Congress, 2 nd fl. B: C. A. Batten, renter

Historical Information

Mrs. Saxon Is Shower Host Friday Night

Mrs. Sam Saxon honored Miss Elowese Crain, bride-elect with a pottery shower Friday evening at her home, 3205 Tom Green street. Close friends of the bride-to-be were invited to attend.

Miss Crain will become the bride of William Best of Austin in a ceremony to take place Sept. 4 at the ranch home of the bride's parents.

Death Claims Mrs. Grant

Mrs. Laura A. Grant, 95, mother of City Finance Dir. George G. Grant, died at her son's home, 3205 Tom Green street, Tuesday at 8:10 p. m.

Mrs. Grant had been a resident of Austin for the past five years, coming here from Long Beach, Calif., to make her home with her son and daughter-in-law.

The body will remain at Thurlow Weed Funeral home until 4:40 a. m. when it will be sent to Long Beach for funeral services Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Grant will accompany the body to California.

The Austin American (1914-1973); Austin, Tex.. 15 Aug 1937: A14.
The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); Austin, Tex.. 02 Aug 1939: 11.

Permits

Sam J. Smith

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