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Historic Landmark Commission
City of Austin
301 W. 2nd Street
Austin, TX 78701

**Engineer's Letter of Support for Demolition Permit
1500 E. 12th St. – #2024-064274 PR**

Dear Historic Landmark Commissioners,

As the Professional Engineer, we object to the staff recommendation to initiate Historic Zoning or otherwise require a Documentation Package before releasing the demolition permit. As you will see, the public benefits afforded by demolition of the structure far outweigh the marginal benefits of allowing it to remain, and my justification is based on the following facts:

1. This structure type is not conducive nor available for relocation. Anything other than demolition is a safety hazard to the community.
2. Various Civil Engineering Infrastructure items built around the structure are non-compliant with modern safety driven setbacks.
3. Structure proximity to the adjacent major power infrastructure per National Electric Code as also used by the City of Austin is non-compliant. This is a disaster waiting to happen and the structure cannot remain.
4. The structure's location related to public Right-Of-Way proves compliant sidewalks and sight distance unfeasible, endangering the safety, health and welfare of the members of the public amongst other conflicts.

Due to the considerable risk to the health, safety and welfare of the public, it is our professional duty to inform you of the importance that this demolition plan be approved. Should you have any questions or need anything further at this time, please contact me at (806) 679-7303.

Sincerely,

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President & Principal
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