THIRD READING SUMMARY SHEET

ZONING CASE NUMBER: C14H-2009-0067 (Ernest and Irma Wilde House, 1412 W. 9th Street)

REQUEST:

Approve third reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 25-2 of the Austin City Code by rezoning property locally known as 1412 W. 9th Street (Shoal Creek Watershed) from family residence – neighborhood plan (SF-3-NP) combining district zoning to family residence – historic landmark – neighborhood plan (SF-3-H-NP) combining district zoning.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

This is the property owner's request for historic landmark designation for the property. Staff, the Historic Landmark Commission, and the Planning Commission have all recommended historic zoning for this property.

OWNERS/APPLICANTS: Jeffrey and Mary Cris Crawford, owners

AGENT: None

<u>DATE OF FIRST READING</u>: June 24, 2010; approved SF-3-H-NP combining district zoning on 1st and 2nd readings (5-0; Spelman and Cole off-dais) and directed staff to bring the case back for third reading on August 5, 2010.

CITY COUNCIL HEARING DATE: August 5, 2010

CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

ASSIGNED STAFF: Steve Sadowsky, Historic Preservation Office, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-6454 steve.sadowsky@ci.austin.tx.us

ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE NUMBER: C14H-2009-0067 HLC DATE: January 25, 2010

PC DATE: April 13, 2010

APPLICANTS: Jeffrey and Mary Crawford, owners

HISTORIC NAME: Wilde House

WATERSHED: Shoal Creek

ADDRESS OF PROPOSED ZONING CHANGE: 1412 W. 9th Street

ZONING FROM: SF-3-NP to SF-3-H-NP

<u>SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION</u>: Staff recommends the proposed zoning change from single family residence, neighborhood plan (SF-3-NP) combining district to single family residence, neighborhood plan – Historic Landmark (SF-3-H-NP) combining district zoning.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR LANDMARK DESIGNATION:

The ca. 1915 house is significant for its architecture as an early representation of a Tudor Revival-styled Craftsman bungalow, an architectural form which became very popular later in the 1920s and for its associations with Ernest Wilde, Austin's premier piano tuner, who with his wife Irma, were very prominent in Austin's German-American community.

<u>HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION ACTION</u>: Recommended the proposed zoning change from single family residence, neighborhood plan (SF-3-NP) combining district to single family residence, neighborhood plan – Historic Landmark (SF-3-H-NP) combining district zoning. Vote: 5-0 (Kleon and Rosato absent).

<u>PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION</u>: Recommended the proposed zoning change from single family residence, neighborhood plan (SF-3-NP) combining district to single family residence, neighborhood plan – Historic Landmark (SF-3-H-NP) combining district zoning. Vote: 7-0.

<u>DEPARTMENT COMMENTS</u>: The house is listed in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984), as a Priority 2 for research.

CITY COUNCIL DATE: May 13, 2010 ACTION: Postponed to

June 24, 2010.

June 24, 2010 Postpo

Postponed to August 5, 2010.

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1ST 2ND 3RD ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER: Steve Sadowsky PHONE: 974-6454

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION: Old Enfield Neighborhood Association

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

Architecture:

One-and-a-half story irregular plan side gabled frame Craftsman bungalow with a partial width front-gabled independent porch on paired plain square wood posts on cast-concrete-capped brick piers; The tympanae of the principal side gables as well as the porch contain false half timbering set in stucco. The offset entry consists of a single-leaf wood door with leaded glass glazing, with leaded glass sidelights and a leaded glass transom. Fenestration consists of single, paired, and triple 1:1 windows with Craftsman-styled screens which are vertically divided in the top "sash". The house is constructed out of long leaf pine, obtained from the Becker Lumber Company of Austin, which was run by Ernest Wilde's brother Paul.

Historical Associations:

Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, who married in 1915, purchased this property that year from Carl and Sophia Wendlandt, who lived next door at 1500 W. 9th Street, and who subdivided this section of their land. Ernest R. Wilde was from a prominent Austin German-American family; his father, Rudolph, who had been born in Germany in 1858, was a cabinet-maker. His mother, Agnes, was born in Germany in 1862. Both had immigrated to the United States in 1882. Their two sons, Paul and Ernest, three years younger, had both been born in Texas. In 1900, when the boys were 15 and 12, respectively, the family lived at 1700 Chicon Street. Rudolph and Agnes moved to 2002 University Avenue - the 1930 U.S. Census shows that he was then 70 years old and still worked as a cabinet-maker. According to family history, young Ernest worked with his father as a cabinet-maker, and due to a number of customer inquiries about piano repairs and tuning, Rudolph sent Ernest to Polk's School of Piano Tuning in Valparaiso. Indiana to learn the trade. When Ernest returned to Austin around 1909, he went to work as a piano tuner for the J.R. Reed Music Company on Congress Avenue. J.R. Reed signed Ernest Wilde's passport application in 1911 so that he could accompany his mother on a trip to Germany. He listed J.R. Reed as his employer on his World War I draft registration card. Ernest Wilde worked as a piano tuner for J.R. Reed from around 1909 until his retirement in the 1960s. He was probably the most sought-after piano tuner in Austin during his long career. His son, Albert, also worked as a piano tuner for J.R. Reed from his return from World War II until the mid-1970s.

Ernest Wilde married Irma Reisner in 1915. Irma, also from a prominent German-American family in Austin, was the daughter of Theodor Reisner, the step-son of August Scholz, who founded the German Saengerrunde next to Scholz' Garten on San Jacinto Boulevard. Theodor Reisner was a bookbinder; the family lived at 307 E. 16th Street in 1900, and at 1601 San Jacinto in 1910. Irma, who was 17 at the time of the 1910 U.S. Census report, worked as a saleslady in a millinery shop. The Wildes had three children: Agnes, Walter, and Albert. Albert continued his father's trade as a piano tuner – he worked as a piano tuner for J.R. Reed for many years after his return from World War II. The Wilde family was very active in German-American affairs in Austin; both Ernest and Irma were very active in the Saengerrunde choirs for many years.

Ernest and Irma Wilde sold the house in 1971 to June E. Brooks and Alice M. Corcoran, who had the Three Geese Antique Store here until 1985, when Alice Corcoran passed away. The house changed hands several times before the current owners, Jeffrey and Mary Cris Crawford, purchased it in 1994.

PARCEL NO.: 01100206280000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 12, Outlot 4, Wendlandt's Subdivision

ANNUAL TAX ABATEMENT: \$7,538 (owner-occupied); city portion: \$1,763.

APPRAISED VALUE: \$706,370

PRESENT USE: Single family residence

CONDITION: Good

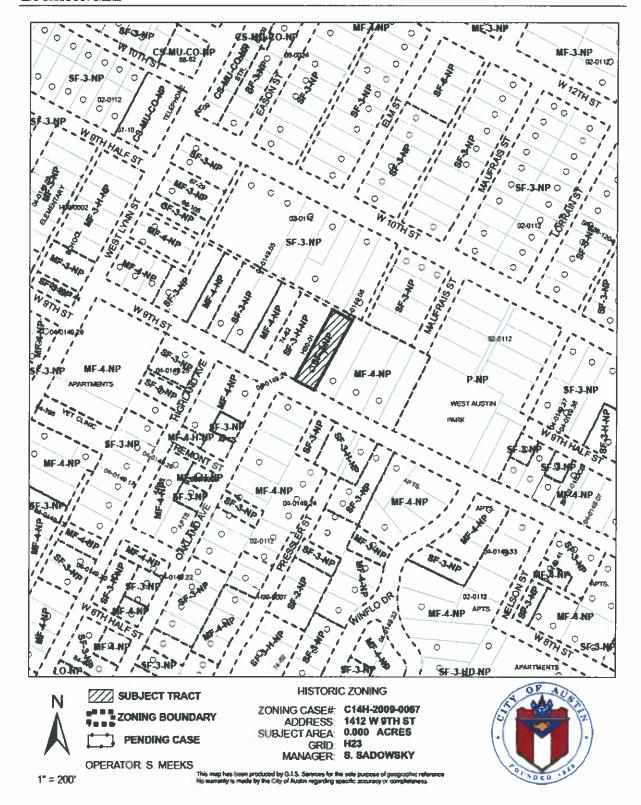
PRESENT OWNERS: Jeffrey and Mary Cris Crawford

DATE BUILT: ca. 1916

<u>ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS</u>: The Wilde family built a stairway in the hall and converted the attic into a bedroom after their children were born. The current owners added a screen porch to the back of the house, and expanded the second floor, adding a bedroom and a second bathroom. They updated the kitchen and back porch. The original appearance of the house from the street has not been altered.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S): Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde (1915)

OTHER HISTORICAL DESIGNATIONS: None.



1412 W. 9th Street Ernest and Irma Wilde House



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 1412 W. 9th Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center By City Historic Preservation Office January, 2010

1992 Jeanne Baxter, renter

Singer

1985-86 The address is not listed in the directory.

1980 Three Geese Antiques

June E. Brooks, proprietor

NOTE: June E. Brooks lived next door at 1500 W. 9th Street.

1976	Three Geese Antiques June E. Brooks and Alice Corcoran, proprietors
1972	Ernest R. Wilde, owner Retired
1967	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Retired
1963	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1958	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1953	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1949	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1947	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1944-45	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1941	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1939	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1937	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1935	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Repairman, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1932-33	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1930-31	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1929	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner (no place of employment listed)
1927	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.

1924	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1922	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1920	Ernest R. and Irma R. Wilde, owners Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.
1918	Ernest R. Wilde Piano tuner, J.R. Reed Music Company, 805 Congress Avenue.

The address is not listed in the directory. Ernest R. Wilde is listed as a piano tuner at J.R. Reed Music Company, living at the home of his father, a cabinetmaker, at 2002 University Avenue.

The 1920 U.S. Census shows Ernest and Irma Wilde living at 1412 W. 9th Street with their two young children, Agnes and Walter. Ernest Wilde was then 32 years old, had been born in Texas to German-born parents, and is listed as a piano tuner. Irma Wilde was then 27, had been born in Texas to German-born parents, and had no occupation listed.

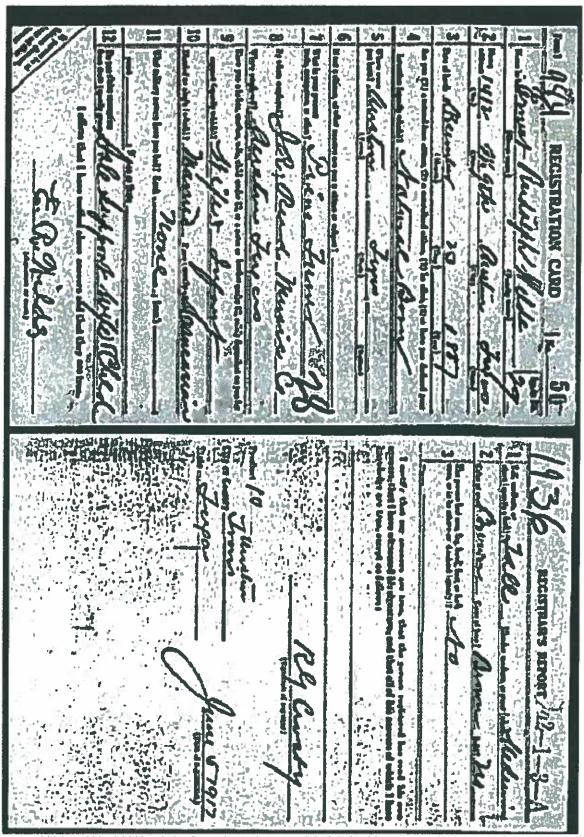
The 1930 U.S. Census shows that the Wilde family resided at 1412 W. 9th Street, a house they owned, and which was worth \$4,500. Ernest and Irma had another son, Albert, who was then 8 years old. Ernest Wilde was listed as a piano tuner.

For Passport.

MOSTAGLISMA

177	Λ		www.	200
	Age find year. Section of term being Eng. Freebast: Addition designed. Eyes: Addition designed. Eyes: Addition designed. Eyes: Addition designed. Freebast: Addition designed. Hardy could come I have been the absorption to be a tenter-been chiese of the	Parties, T to schemic some that I will request and defeat the Constitution of the United States spring all commins, foreign and describe; then I will have tree faith and sib-pinnes to the man; and that it into this obligation fromly, without any mental reservation or purpose of evention; So rates as Gon. Generally, South as Gon. Generally, Special South and South States are thin Lift	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. L. Bornest R. Laddick Spills I Name at Lorse Orms or the United States body apply to the Department of States Americans, and the spills of the Department of States Americans, and the spills of the Department of States Americans, and the spills of the Department of States Americans, and the States of States Americans of the United States, that I am dominated to the United States, that I am dominated to the United States of St	22899

Ernest Wilde's application for a passport to visit Germany with his mother (1911). He lists his occupation as a piano tuner, and J.R. Reed, his employer, signed as his witness.



Ernest Wilde's World War I draft registration card (1917). He states that he is a piano tuner for J.R. Reed in Austin.

Austin, aled Thursday Services

4 p.m. Saturday at St. Martin's

Linguetan Charen, Survivors

daughter, Mrs. L.G. (Agaes)

Lehmann of New Braunfels;

sons, Albert Wilde of Austin,

Walter Wilde of Corpus Christin

nine grandchildren; nine great
grandchildren (Weed-Corley)

Obituary of Ernest R. Wilde

Austin American-Statesman,

January 17, 1976

ALL WINDS THE RESIDENCE OF THE PERSON OF THE CHIER ME LANGUE daughter, Mrs. Leroy (Agnes) Lehmann of New Braunfels: two-sons, Walter Wilde Corpus Christi, and Albert Wilde of Austin: 12 grandchildren and unce great-grandelmuren. Funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at St. Martin's Lutheran Church with Pastor Robert J. Adix officiating, Burial will be n Cakwood Centetery under direction of Weed Corle Funeral Home

Obituary of Irma Wilde Austin <u>American</u>, January 21, 1972

10082415

A. APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC ZONING

PROJECT INFORMATION:				
	DEP	ARTMENTAL USE ONL	Υ,	
APPLICATION DATE: TENTATIVE HLC DATE: TENTATIVE PC or ZAP DATE: TENTATIVE CC DATE: CASE MANAGER: APPLICATION ACCEPTED BY	adlousky	C	ILE NUMBER(S): CK	
BASIC PROJECT DATA:				
1. OWNER'S NAME: 2. PROJECT NAME: 3. PROJECT STREET ADDRES 2IP 10 70 3 IF PROJECT ADDRES LOCATED APPROXIMATELY INTERSECTION WITH	ESS (or Range): CO SS CANNOT BE DE FRONTAGE FE	HOUSE 4 12 WEST A UNTY: TRAUIS FINED ABOVE: EET ALONG THE N. S (ROAD NAME P		SIDE OF
4. ACRES 0.3136	(OR)	SQ.FT.		
B. ZONING AND LAND USE IN	FORMATION:			
EXISTING EXISTING USE SF-3-NP RESIDENT	(IF MORE THAN 1)	O.3136 ACRE	2(4	PROPOSED ZONING SF-3-H-NP
RELATED CURRENT CASES:	Grid H WS-Tow	1-23 Malle (0,	NP. OLd Was	to Ausin
3. ACTIVE ZONING CASE? 7. RESTRICTIVE COVENANT? 3. SUBDIVISION? 9. SITE PLAN?	(YES (NO))	FILE NUMBER:		

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION (SUBDIVISION REFERENCE OR METES AND BOUNDS):

10a. SUBDIVISION REFERENCE: Name: WEND LAND TS SUBDIVISION, DIVISION Z
Biock(s) Lot(s) 2 Outlot(s) 4
Plat Book: 2 2/6 Page
Number:
10b. METES AND BOUNDS (Attach two copies of certified field notes if subdivision reference is not available or zoning includes partial lots)
DEED REFERENCE CONVEYING PROPERTY TO PRESENT OWNER AND TAX PARCEL I.D.:
11. VOLUME: 12325 PAGE: 01254 TAX PARCEL I.D. NO. 109270
OTHER PROVISIONS:
12. IS PROPERTY IN A ZONING COMBINING DISTRICT / OVERLAY ZONE? (YES) NO
TYPE OF COMBINING DIST/OVERLAY ZONE (NCCD,NP, etc)
13. LOCATED IN A LOCAL OR NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? (YES) NO
14. IS A TIA REQUIRED? YES (NO) (NOT REQUIRED IF BASE ZONING IS NOT CHANGING)
TRIPS PER DAY:
TRAFFIC SERIAL ZONE(S):
DWNERSHIP TYPE:
JWNERONIP I TPE:
15. SOLECOMMUNITY PROPERTYPARTNERSHIPCORPORATIONTRUST
16. SOLECOMMUNITY PROPERTYPARTNERSHIPCORPORATIONTRUST
formanish in other than add an arrange of the state of th
f ownership is other than sole or community property, list individuals/pertners/principals below or attach separate sheet.
WNER INFORMATION:
IS. OWNER CONTACT INFORMATION
SIGNATURE I LANGE & Mary Cas Cravery NAME DEFFREY CARRETORD & MARY CASCAMA
SIGNATURE I FOR FROM (is (navgr.) NAME: SEFFREY CONCORD & MARY CASCILLAR TELEPHONE NUMBER: 5/2-474-1803
SIREEI AUDRESS: 14 12 WEST NUTS STREED
CITY: AUSTIN STATE: TEX AS ZIP CODE: 7670 3
CITY: AUSTIN STATE: TEXAS ZIP CODE: 48703
GENT INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE):
7. AGENT CONTACT INFORMATION /
11/4
IRM NAME: TELEPHONE NUMBER: TREET ADDRESS:
ITY: ZIP CODE: ONTACT PERSON: TELEPHONE NUMBER
MAIL ADRESS:
EPARTMENTAL USE ONLY:
FANTIMENTAL VOE VILLI:
evised February 15, 2005

D. SUBMITTAL VERIFICATION AND INSPECTION AUTHORIZATION

SUBMITTAL VERICATION

My signature attests to the fact that the attached application package is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that proper City staff review of this application is dependent upon the accuracy of the information provided and that any inaccurate or inadequate information provided by me/my firm/etc., may delay the proper review of this application.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NAMI	E BELOW SIGNATURE AND
	his banga 12/28/09
Signature V	Date
Name (Typed or Printed)	MARY CRIS CRAWFORD
Name (Typed or Printed)	
Firm (If applicable)	

INSPECTION AUTHORIZATION

As owner or authorized agent, my signature authorizes staff to visit and inspect the property for which this application is being submitted.

INDICATE FIRM REPRESEN	
-9	May (is Cranged 2/28/09 Date
JETFRET CRAWFORD Name (Typed or Prin	& MARY CRIS CRAWFORD
Firm (If applicable)	

E. ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

concerning Subdivision Plat Notes, Deed Restrictions, Restrictive Covenants and / or Zoning Conditional Overlays

I, <u>JEFFREY CRAWFORD & MARY Clars Collected have</u> checked for subdivision plat restrictions, (Print name of applicant)	notes, dee
restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays prohibiting certain uses and/or requevelopment restrictions i.e. height, access, screening etc. on this property, located at	uiring certai
(Address or Legal Description)	
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78703	
If a conflict should result with the request I am submitting to the City of Austin due to subdivision deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays it will be my responsibilit. I also acknowledge that I understand the implications of use and/or development restriction result of a subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional understand that if requested, I must provide copies of any and all subdivision plat notes, deed restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlay information which may apply to this property	ity to resolvens that are a overlays.
Marie 12/28/09 (Date)	
Man ais Cranged (Date)	

NO 1041557

TAX CERTIFICATE NO Nelda Wells Spears Truis County Tax Assessor-Col_gc_r P.O. Box 1748 Austin, Texas 78767 (512) 854-9473

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 01-1002-0628-0000 PROPERTY OWNER: PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: CRAWFORD JEFFREY & MARY CRIS 1412 W 9TH ST AUSTIN, TX 78703-4806 LOT 12 OLT 4 DIV Z WENDLANDTS ACRES 0.000 MIN% .00000 TYPE SITUS INFORMATION: 1412 W 9 This is to certify that after a careful check of tax records of this office, the following taxes, delinquent taxes, penalties and interests are due on the described property of the following tax unit(s): YEAR ENTITY
2008 AUSTIN ISD
CITY OF AUSTIN (TRAV)
TRAVIS COUNTY
TRAVIS COUNTY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
ACC (TRAVIS) TOTAL *ALL PAID* *ALL PAID*
ALL PAID
ALL PAID TOTAL SHOUENCE *ALL PAID* TOTAL TAX: UNPAID FEES: INTEREST ON FEES: COMMISSION: *ALL PAID*
* NONE *
* NONE * NONR TAXES PAID FOR YEAR 2008 \$10,459.18 ALL TAXES PAID IN FULL PRIOR TO AND INCLUDING THE YEAR 2008 EXCEPT FOR UNPAID YEARS LISTED ABOVE.
The above described property may be subject to special valuation based on its use, and additional rollback taxes may become due. (Section 23.55, State Property Tax Code).
Pursuant to Section 31.08 of the State Property Tax Code, there is a fee of \$10.00 for all Tax Certificates. GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE ON THIS DATE OF 08/04/2009 Nelda Wells Spears Tax Assessor-Collector Fee Paid: \$10.00 some Herrera

F.1: HISTORICAL DOCUMENTATION - DEED CHRONOLOGY

Deed Research for 1412 West Ninth Street

en	Volume/Page
Transaction Carl & Sophie Wendlandt to E. R. Wilde Lot 12, Outlot 4, Division Z, Wendlandts Subdivision March 17, 1915	247/133
\$1,200	₩.
E. R. Wilde to June E. Brooks & Alice M. Corcoran Lot 12, Outlot 4, Division Z, Wendlandts Subdivision November 1, 1971 \$12,500	04209/00408
June E. Brooks & Alice M. Corcoran Estate to Robert E. Willis Trustee Lot 12, Outlot 4, Division Z, Wendlandts Subdivision May 30, 1985	09191/00527
Robert E. Willis Trustee to Jeffrey & Mary Cris Crawford Lot 12, Outlot 4, Division Z, Wendlandts Subdivision November 23, 1994 \$175,000	12325/01254

F.2: HISTORICAL DOCUMENTATION - OCCUPANCY HISTORY

Occupancy Research for 1412 West Ninth Street

Veer	Occupant Name	Source
1916-1971 1971-1985 1985-1987 1987-1989 1989-1990 1990-1991	Ernest R. & Irma M. Wilde Three Geese Antique Store J. M. Willis H. S. Lanham Scott Beckman Ann Hulvey Kyle Nichols Jeffrey & Mary Cris Crawford	City Directories

F.3: HISTORICAL DOCUMENTATION - BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Biographical Data for Owners of 1412 West Ninth Street

 Ernest Rudolph and Irma Reisner Wilde built the house at 1412 West Ninth Street.

Ernest Wilde's parents were Rudolph and Agnes Wilde who resided at 2002 University Avenue in Austin. Both of them emigrated from Germany to Austin in 1882. Even thought they did not know each other before they moved here, they soon met and were married in 1883. Rudolph Wilde was a cabinetmaker who worked at Swann Furniture and Carpet Company. Ernest Wilde worked with his father in the cabinetmaking trade. They were often asked to repair pianos. Rudolph thought that Ernest should learn to tune pianos so they could provide this service for their customers. So he sent his son, Ernest to Polk's School of Piano Tuning in Valparaiso, Indiana to study piano tuning. A few years after he returned to Austin, Ernest went to work at J. R. Reed Music Company. He worked there from the time he was 19 until he retired at 73. For many years he was the most sought after piano tuner in Austin.

Irma Reisner Wilde's father was Theodor Reisner the step-son of August Scholtz who built and operated Scholtz's Garten. Theodor Reisner operated this bar and restaurant for two years following his step-father's death in 1911.

Ernest Rudolph and Irma Reisner Wilde married on October 6, 1915. They purchased Lot 12 from Carl Wendlandt who lived next door at 1500 West Ninth Street where they built this house. The Wilde's had three children, Agnes Emily Wilde Lehmann Buhl, born in 1917, Walter Ernest Wilde, born in 1919, and Albert Rudolph Wilde, born in 1921.

The Wilde's participated with other German Americans in many events at the Saegerrunde Hall located next to Scholtz's Garten. Ernest Wilde was a member of the Macunerchor or men's choir at the Saegerrunde Hall for many years. When a Damenchor or women's choir was formed, Irma Wilde joined.

Mr. Wilde's brother, Paul A. Wilde worked at Calcasieu Lumber Company and later became the manager of Becker Lumber Company. Paul Wilde built a house at 1207 West Sixth Street, that still stands and is the present location of Texas Ceiling Fans. Becker Lumber Company was located at the north end of the Congress Avenue Bridge where the Radisson Hotel is now located.

F.9: HISTORICAL DOCUMENTATION - HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Historical Narrative for 1412 West Ninth Street

The first house built in the immediate vicinity was located at 1500 West Ninth Street. The first construction at this location was probably in 1882 and was a two-room house with a front porch although there is some evidence that a small cabin was constructed there much earlier around 1855. In 1894 a two-story structure with brick front was added to the house with Victorian gingerbread on the large porch. Carl Wendlandt who lived in the house decided to subdivide his property which surrounded the house. So in 1911, he platted the Wendlandt's Subdivision.

Ernest Wilde purchased Lot 12 in the Wendlandt's Subdivision in March 1915 for \$1,200. The next spring he built a two bedroom bungalow at 1412 West Ninth Street. The construction cost \$3,000. The house is a classic arts and crafts style bungalow. It has large windows, a wide front porch, a fireplace in the living room and beveled glass in the front door and sidelights that surround the door. All the ceilings in the downstairs are ten feet high. The living room and dining room have exposed beams on the ceiling. There are short bookcases with leaded glass in the doors and columns above the bookcases that separate the living and dining rooms. The house was built with long leaf pine that came from Becker Lumber Company where Mr. Wilde's brother was the manager. A single car garage was also constructed. This garage was extended so two cars could use it and a shed was added to the rear of the garage at some unknown time. Also a wooden utility shed with a tin roof was constructed at the rear of the property that housed chickens for many years.

Mr. Wilde worked as a piano tuner at J. R. Reed Music Company in downtown Austin for 52 years. He and his bride moved into their new home and had three children, Agnes Emilie Wilde Lehmann Buhl, born in 1917, Walter Ernest Wilde, born in 1919, and Albert Rudolph Wilde, born in 1921. Since the house had only two bedrooms, they had a stairway built in the wide hallway and finished out the large attic to use as a third bedroom. They lived in this house for over 50 years and sold it to June E. Brooks and Alice M. Corcoran in 1971 when they moved to a nursing home in New Braunfels, Texas.

Ms. Brooks and Ms. Corcoran opened the Three Geese Antique Store in the house. It remained an antique store until around 1985 when Ms. Corcoran died. Ms. Brooks sold her remaining interest in the house to Ms. Corcoran's nieces and nephews who had inherited her estate. The house became a rental house until the Crawford family purchased the house in 1994.

The Crawford family did extensive remodeling to the house, even though they did not alter the classic craftsman bungalow look. The remodeling included adding a screen porch on the back of the house and extensive work on the upstairs including adding a second bathroom and another bedroom. The kitchen and back porch area were also updated. All of the major work was done on the back of the house so the look of the front of the house has not changed since it was originally constructed.

The house is a well-preserved example of a craftsman-style bungalow that is a contributing structure to the National Register Historic District. The house has a large front porch and wide eaves that are always associated with this style. The details of the wooden trim and leaded glass front door with matching sidelights and transom are also classic arts and crafts elements.

In the front yard of the house there is a magnificent live oak tree. This tree measures 100 inches in circumference at breast height. Mr. Jim Rhoades, the City Arborist, in a letter dated January 20, 1998, stated that this impressive tree is a Class I Protected sized tree under the city method of evaluating trees. This tree is at least 300 years old.

Justification for city historic landmark criteria:

A. ARCHITECTURE

This residence embodies the distinguishing characteristics of the Arts and Crafts Style (also known as the Craftsman Style). The house is well preserved and retains all the architectural features of this architectural style.

B. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

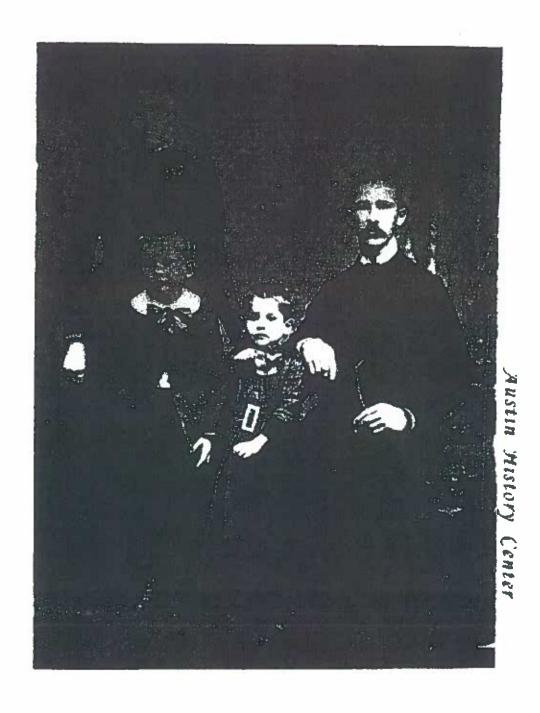
The Ernest Wilde Family that built this house and resided there for about fifty-five years. They were active members of the German-American community in Austin and participated in many events at the Saegerrunde Hall. Mr. Wilde was a well-known piano tuner at J.R. Reed Music Company where he worked for more than fifty years.

D. COMMUNITY VALUE

This property is a contributing property in the National Register Historic District.

E. LANDSCAPE FEATURE

The live oak tree that is located in the front yard is a Class I Protected sized tree under the city method of evaluating trees and is at least 300 years old.

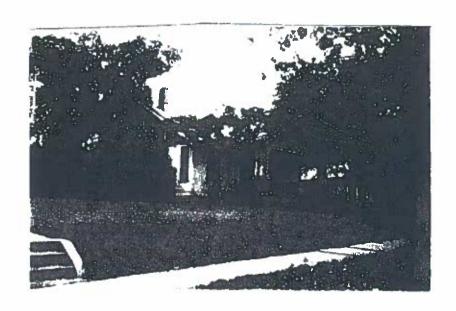


RUPOLPH & AGNES WILDE W/SONS PAUL & ERNEST



PAUL & ERNEST WILDE





1971 picture of 1412 West 9

Built for Ernest & Irma Reisner Wilde

(E.R. Wilde) in Spring of 1916.

Three children born here: 1917

Agnes Emilie Wilde Lehmann Bull's

now in New Braunfels

Walter Ernest Wilde 1919 new in

Corpus Christi

Hibert Rudelph Xilde, 1921

Ched Nev. 80

House was sold to June Brocks for

an antique shop in Fail 1971

when iter Mrs Wilde went to

a mursing heme in N.B.

Jear Mr. . Mrs. Crawford My daughter, Connette Lyeberg, who works at Heligers . Walkins in Chestin has met you and thought you might like to have these fictures We notice that the original glass is not in what front door dad want to tall you that Committee has the design copied from it if you ever wish to replace it. He Trake beautiful sideliales and down window for my house in 1987 and. had been trose at 1412 at that time although my windows are har original disigni It is nice to know that comemo now love the house as we did. In the early years there were tellises (white) at each ind of the porch and in front of the libring room window land Hedreon window (from bedroom) There were climbing hores - yellow musher neil (now Jule of the gelling. At the budson In the corner was a white bush hose - Laiserina Victoria I think) The house was gray with white bring elser. Let me know I hope 4, mast Succesely. Cigner Buil