Historic Landmark Commission<br>April 23, 2012<br>National Register Historic District<br>NRD-2012-0039<br>Old West Austin<br>1905 W. 30 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Street

## PROPOSAL

Construct a new 2,418 sq. ft. house on site of a former non-contributing house.

## PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The applicant proposes to construct a new 2,418 sq. ft., two-story house on the site of a former non-contributing house. The house will have multiple hipped and gable roofs. The front façade of the first floor will have stone veneer, with Hardiplank, horizontal siding with a 5 " exposure on the second story, and side and rear walls. The house will have architectural details that reference Craftsman style, such as the square stone veneer pier and wood column supporting the porch roof, exposed rafter ends, false brackets, and grouped windows. There are a variety of window types on the front and side elevations including casement, $2: 2$, double-hung, and slider. There is also a large glass block window on the side elevation. The house will have a front facing garage that is set back from the front most wall and porch.

## STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The property is listed as non-contributing to the Old West Austin National Register Historic District. The Old West Austin National Register Historic District has no specific design guidelines for new construction. Applicable general design review guidelines state:

- Contemporary designs for alterations and additions to existing properties are appropriate when such alterations and additions do not destroy significant historic, architectural, or cultural material and are compatible with the size, scale, color, material, and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.

The property is immediately adjacent to a contemporary condominium develop located at the western edge of the District. The size, scale and design of other houses on the block vary widely, with one and two-story houses, and styles that range from Minimal Traditional to Contemporary. The size, scale and materials are compatible with other properties, however, the front facing attached garage is not, although
it is set back from the front-most wall.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the permit, however request the applicant consider moving the garage further back from the front façade, and provide additional window openings on the east elevation.

## РHOTOS



Views of condominium development immediately to the west of $1905 \mathrm{~W} .30^{\text {th }}$ Street


View looking across the street from 1905 W. 30 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Street


View looking down the street from 1905 W. $30^{\text {th }}$ Street





