

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
NOVEMBER 26, 2012  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
714 WEST JOHANNA STREET  
HDP-2012-0345**

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**PROPOSAL**

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Demolish a ca. 1939 house.

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**ARCHITECTURE**

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One-story, rectangular-plan hipped-roof frame house with a partial-width flat-roofed independent porch on plain, square wood posts. Modern replacement fenestration.

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**RESEARCH**

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The house was built in 1939 by Thomas and Rebecca Hopper, who had been living next door at 712 West Johanna Street. Thomas Hopper was a cattle buyer, who had previously worked for the city utility department. Rebecca Hopper is listed as the owner of the house in the 1944-45 city directory, and was a chauffeur; Thomas Hopper is listed in the directory, but without an occupation, and living at 203 Red River Street. Neither Thomas nor Rebecca Hopper are listed in the 1947 city directory, so it may be inferred that Thomas and Rebecca Hopper divorced in the mid-1940s, and Rebecca Hopper married John O. Monaghan, with whom she is listed in the 1947 directory. However, Thomas Hopper died in 1949, and was survived by his widow, Reba, but this may not be Rebecca Hopper.

Rebecca Hopper is listed in the 1947 city directory as the wife of John Monaghan; he and Rebecca owned and occupied the house until the early 1950s. According to the obituaries of Thomas Hopper and Rebecca Monaghan, it is clear that Rebecca Hopper later became Rebecca Monaghan, based upon the names of their children, which appear in both obituaries. Following the occupancy of the Monaghans, the house was then a rental unit until the early 1960s, when it was purchased by Tomás and Mary Longoria, who lived here through the 1990s. Tomás Longoria was a carpet layer.

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**STAFF COMMENTS**

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The house does not appear in any City survey.

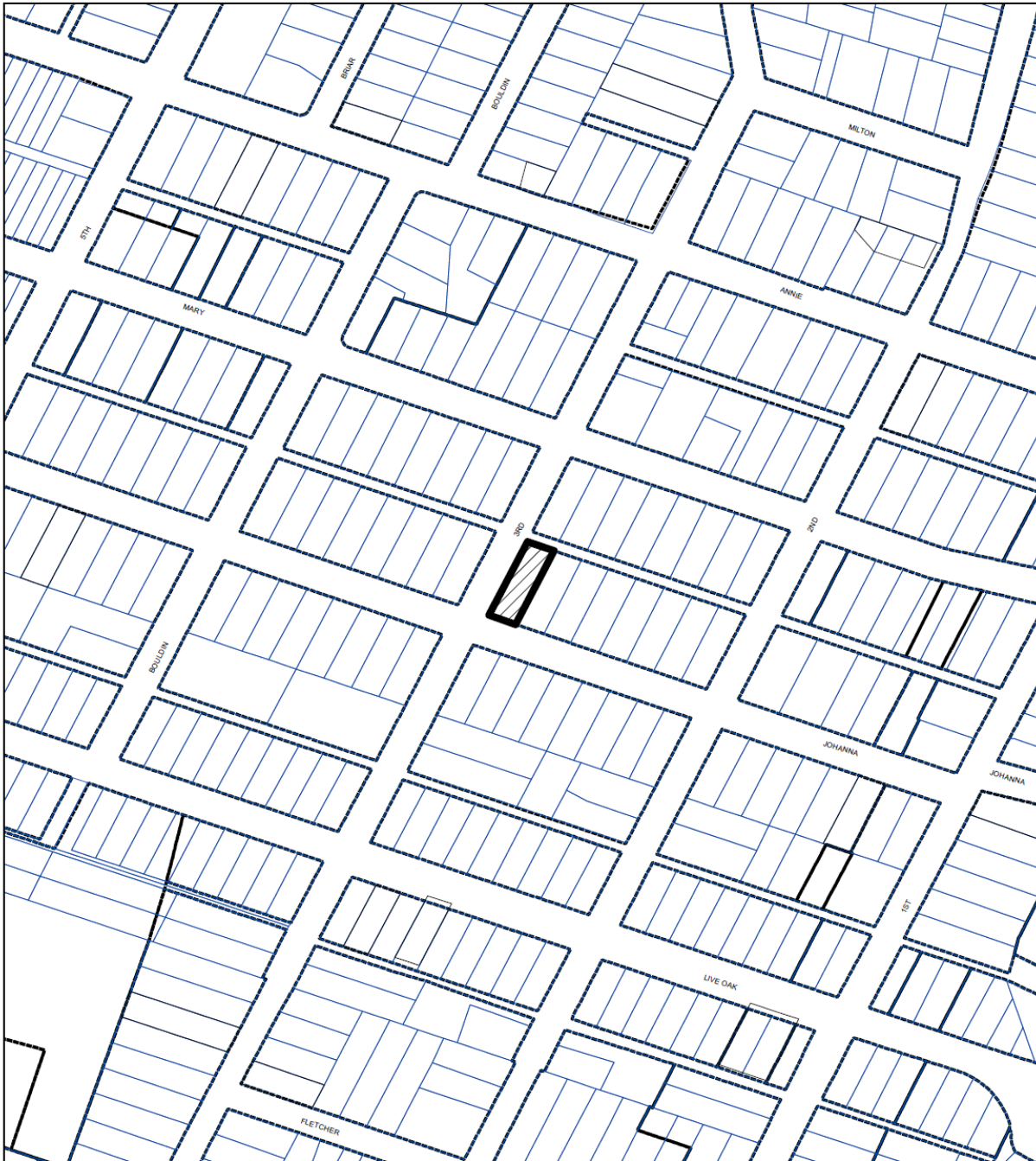
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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Release the demolition permit upon completion of a City of Austin documentation package consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history of the property for archiving at the Austin History Center. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

## LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2012-0345  
LOCATION: 417 W. Johanna Street



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714 West Johanna Street  
ca. 1939



## OCCUPANCY HISTORY 714 West Johanna Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center  
By City Historic Preservation Office  
November, 2012

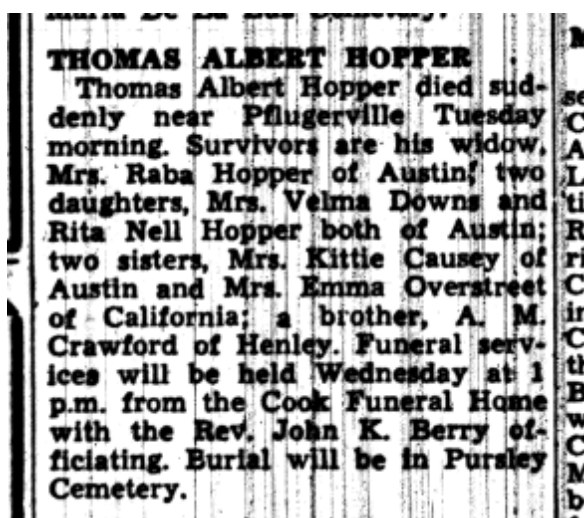
1992	Tomas and Mary A. Longoria, owners Carpet layer
1987	Tomas and Mary A. Longoria, owners Carpet layer
1983	Thomas and Mary A. Longoria, owners Carpet layer
1976	Thomas and Mary A. Longoria, owners Mechanic, Fashion Floors, Inc., 5304 North Lamar Boulevard.
1970	Thomas and Mary A. Longoria, owners Helper, Fashion Floors, Inc., 5304 North Lamar Boulevard.
1965	Thomas and Mary A. Longoria, owners Installer, W&W Floor Covering, 1714 South Congress Avenue.
1961	Garland B. and Gladys Skaggs, renters Employed by Superior Dairies, 600 E. 1 <sup>st</sup> Street. NOTE: Thomas and Mary A. Longoria are listed as living at 1211½ W. 5 <sup>th</sup> Street; he was a mechanic for Modern Floors, 819 E. 53½ Street.
1958	Roy L. and Virginia French, renters Roy: U.S. Air Force Virginia: Office secretary, Sam H. Clinton, Jr., lawyer, 1011 San Jacinto Boulevard.
1954	Lewis E. and Wynona Wells, renters Driver, Sunset Motor Lines, freight, 704 Shady Lane.
1949	John O. and Rebecca Monaghan, owners Student
1947	John O. and Rebecca Monaghan, owners Driver, no place of employment listed
1944-45	Rebecca Hopper, owner Chauffeur NOTE: John O. Monaghan is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Thomas A. Hopper is not listed in the directory.
1942	Thomas A. and Rebecca Hopper, owners Cattle buyer
1939	The address is not listed in the directory.

NOTE: Thomas A. and Rebecca Hopper are listed as the owners of 712 West Johanna Street; he was a cattle buyer.

#### BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

THOMAS and REBECCA HOPPER (ca. 1939 – ca. 1946)

Thomas and Rebecca Hopper appear in the 1940 U.S. Census report at this address, a house they owned, and which was worth \$1,000. Thomas A. Hopper was then 48, had been born in Texas, and was a cattle buyer. Rebecca Hopper was then 31 and had been born in Texas. They had two young daughters. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Thomas and Rebecca Hopper living at 1903 Holly Street in Austin, a house they owned. Thomas Hopper was a laborer for the city water department.



Obituary of Thomas A. Hopper  
 Austin American, January 5, 1949

JOHN O. and REBECCA MONAGHAN (ca. 1946 – ca. 1953)

### **John O. Monaghan, Sr.**

John O. Monaghan, Sr., age 73, of Manchaca passed away Thursday.

Mr. Monaghan was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include wife, Becky Monaghan, Manchaca; sons, John O. Monaghan, Jr., Manchaca, James C. Monaghan, Austin; daughters, Velma Downs, Manchaca, Rheta Shields, Manchaca; brothers, James H. Monaghan, Jr., Birmingham, Alabama, Wil-

liam Randall Monaghan, Alpine, Charles L. Monaghan, Austin, Robert M. Monaghan, Austin, Hugh Monaghan, Birmingham, Alabama; sisters, Evelyn Moore, Vidalia, Georgia, Hulene Desalvo, Houston, Jonell Maze, Schertz, Joyce Kuntschik, Oak Hill; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral service, 10:00 AM, Monday, Wilke-Amey-Clay Funeral Home with Reverend Tom Gautier officiating. Burial, Liveoak Cemetery.

Palibearers: Tom Downs, Mike Downs, Kenneth Shields, David Maze, Jerry Monaghan and Larry Monaghan.

Honorary Palibearers: Austin Monaghan, Wesley and Duane Shields.

Services under the direction of Wilke-Amey-Clay Funeral Home.

Obituary of John O. Monaghan  
Austin American-Statesman, March 19, 1989

### Rebecca May Collier Monaghan

Rebecca, age 96, was born July 8, 1908, in Spicewood, TX, and passed away October 2, 2004, in Austin, TX.

She was preceded in death by parents, Calvin J. Collier Sr. and Mary Bathsheba Collier; husband, John Owen Monaghan Sr.; daughter, Rheta N. Meek; three brothers, K.C. Collier, Wesley Collier and wife Lavonia, and Calvin J. Collier Jr.; grandson, Kenneth A. Shields and wife Cindy Jo; and sons-in-law, S.P. Downs and R.K. Shields.

She is survived by daughter, Velma B. Downs; sons, John O. Monaghan Jr. and James (Jim) Monaghan and wife Elaine; six grandsons, Tom Downs and wife Denise, Mike Downs and wife Sara, Wesley Shields and wife Deborah, Duane Shields and wife Stacy, Austin Monaghan and wife Melissa and Michael Monaghan; three granddaughters, Sherry Walsh and husband Tom, Nicole Monaghan and Jennifer Monaghan; 11 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by son-in-law, Neil Meek; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Monday, October 4, 2004, at Wilke-Clay-Fish Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 5, 2004, at Wilke-Clay-Fish Funeral Home, with Reverend James Denham officiating. Burial will follow in Live Oak Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Tom Downs, Wesley Shields, Duane Shields, Tom Walsh, Austin Monaghan and Michael Monaghan.

Arrangements by Wilke-Clay-Fish Funeral Home, 2620 So. Congress Ave., Austin, TX 78704, (512) 442-1446. You may view memorials online at [wcfish.com](http://wcfish.com)

Obituary of Rebecca Hopper Monaghan  
Austin American-Statesman, October 4, 2004



Connecting Charge \$ 12.00 ✓

**Application for Sewer Connection.** No. 11245A

Austin, Texas, June 6, 1933

To the Superintendent of Sewer and Public Improvements,  
City of Austin, Texas.

Sir:-

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises  
owned by 714 Kuntz-Sternenberg Lmbr. Co  
at 714 W. Johanna Street  
which place is to be used as a Lot 9 B.K.H. residence

In this place there are to be installed 2 fixtures.

I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance charge.

Respectfully, W. E. Hopper

Location of Public Sewer

Stub Out

Connected 6/3 1933 14' W of E  
or 46' E of  
E. R. 2nd St. 3'

Size of Main 6 inches

Size of Service 4 inches

4 Feet Deep

2 1/2 Feet from Property Line in St

Feet from Curb Line

Inspected by Allen B. Wright

Connection made by Tom Hopper

Sewer connection application by Kuntz-Sternenberg Lumber Company for this address (1933)

Thomas A. Hopper

714 W. Johanna

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Building permit to Thomas A. Hopper for the construction of this house (1939)