

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JANUARY 27, 2014
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2013-0921
2000 EXPOSITION BOULEVARD**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1950 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, stone-veneered frame International-style house with a recessed front entry and multi-light, metal-framed picture windows with side casements.

RESEARCH

The house was built by local contractor Kelly DeBusk in 1950 by Arthur L. and Mildred W. Rice, who had moved here from Bartlett, Texas, where they had lived with Mildred's mother, and Arthur Rice had run a recreation room. Arthur was working in the wholesale beer business in Austin; he had managed Pierce Watson's Capitol Beer Company in the late 1940s, and by the time he had moved into this house, he was the manager of Watson's Lone Star Sales Company, a wholesale beer distributor. By the early 1960s, Rice and Charles M. Huey were running Lone Star Sales Company. The Rices lived here until around 1970. The house was then owned and occupied by Norman M. and Blanche Jackson, who lived here through the 1990s. Norman Jackson had been a filling station attendant in the 1940s, and was working for the IRS in the 1970s when he and Blanche moved into this house. He retired in the late 1970s, and they lived out their retirement years here.

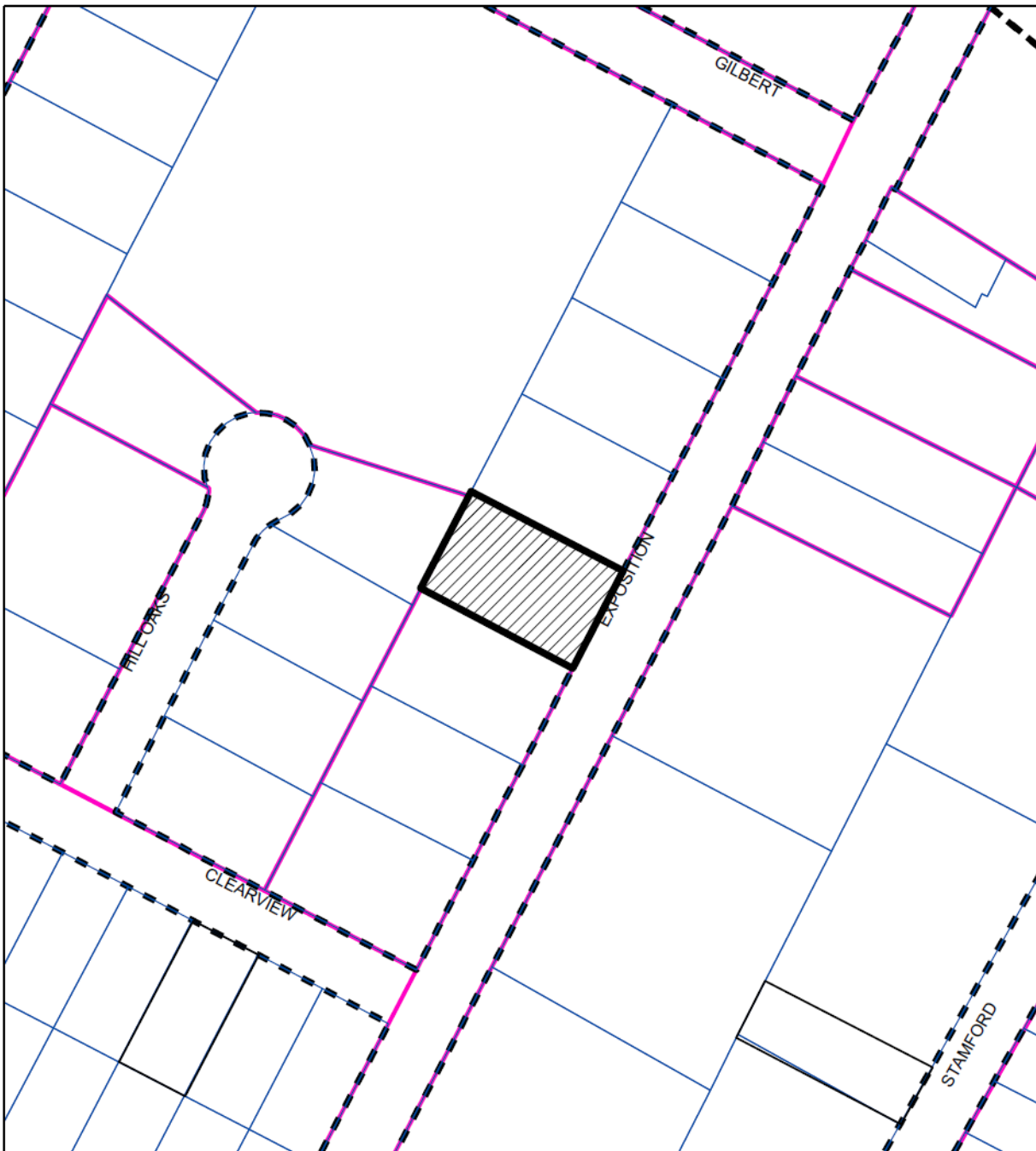
STAFF COMMENTS

The house does not appear in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage the applicant to retain the house, which is a very nice example of the International style popular in the late 1940s and early 1950s, and which influenced much of what we now define as Mid-Century Modern style. If the applicant cannot retain the house, then release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2013-0921
LOCATION: 2000 Exposition Boulevard



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2000 Exposition Boulevard
ca. 1950



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2000 Exposition Boulevard

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
December, 2013

1992	Norman M. and Blanche Jackson, owners Retired
1985-86	Norman M. and Blanche Jackson, owners Retired
1981	Norman M. and Blanche Jackson, owners Retired
1977	Norman M. and Blanche Jackson, owners Control adjuster, IRS
1973	Norman M. and Blanche Jackson, owners Control adjuster, IRS
1968:	Arthur L. and Mildred W. Rice, owners Retired NOTE: Norman M. and Blanche Jackson are not listed in the directory.
1962	Arthur L. and Mildred W. Rice, owners Proprietor (with Charles M. Huey), Lone Star Sales Company, beer distributors, 2001 E. 5 th Street.
1959	Arthur L. and Mildred W. Rice, owners Manager, Lone Star Sales Company (Pierce B. Watson, proprietor), beer distributors, 2001-07 E. 5 th Street.
1955	Arthur L. and Mildred W. Rice, owners Manager, Lone Star Sales Company (Pierce B. Watson, proprietor), beer distributors, 2001-07 E. 5 th Street.
1952	Arthur L. and Mildred W. Rice, owners Manager, Lone Star Sales Company (Arthur Rice is the only named principal; Pierce Watson is not listed), beer distributors, 1101 E. 4 th Street.
1949	The address is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Arthur and Mildred Pierce lived at 604 W. 14 th Street; he was the manager of Capitol Beer Company (Pierce B. Watson, proprietor), wholesale beer, 1101 E. 4 th Street.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Arthur L. and Mildred Rice (ca. 1951 – ca. 1970)

Arthur L. and Mildred Rice appear in the 1930 U.S. Census in the home of her mother, Dora Whitlow, in Bartlett, Texas. Arthur L. Rice was then 32, had been born in Texas, and was the proprietor of a recreation room; Mildred Rice was then 25, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. Her mother, Dora Whitlow, was a 51-year old Texas-born widow who was a dressmaker. The 1940 U.S. Census shows Arthur Lee and Mildred Rice as the renters of a

Norman and Blanche Jackson appear in the 1940 U.S. Census at 2408 Red River Street in Austin. Norman Jackson was then 33, had been born in Texas, and was an attendant at a filling station. Blanche Jackson was then 32, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a 1-year old daughter, Miriam.

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Building permit to Arthur L. Rice for the construction of the house (1950). The permit notes Kelly DeBusk as the builder; his name appears on the utility permits below.

Receipt No. 14703 Co. 1899 CD 19502 Application for Sewer Connection No. 26259
 Austin, Texas, 6-22-50
 To the Superintendent of Sanitary Sewer Division, City of Austin, Texas.
 Sir:—
 I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by Kelly DeBusk, at 2000 Exposition Blvd Street,
 further described as Lot 29-12 x 5.71713 Block — Outlot — Division
 subdivision Hillview Oaks Plat 163, which is to be used as a Res
 In this place there are to be installed 5 fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 39401
 I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge.
 Depth at Prop. Line 3' at stub 8-15-50
 Respectfully, Bailey
~~City of Austin~~ } 4'-50" NLL San curb 20" N of NLL Location
 Connected }
 Date 8-29-50
 By Dealer
 NOTE: Connection Instruction 6" San in St 7' Dec
Memo 25 ft W of E, 6" stub 22 ft H of L
18+07.5 B-1308

Sewer connection application for this address (1950)

N. 29' of 12 am
5.71

WATER SERVICE PERMIT

Austin, Texas

No. 163 6515
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Received of KELLY S. DEBUSK Date 6-22-50

Address 2000 EXPOSITION Blvd.

Amount TWENTY AND 17/100 \$ 20.00

Plumber THE BASEL CO. Size of Tap 3/4"

Date of Connection 7-5-50

Size of Tap Made 3/4"

Size Service Made 3/4"

Size Main Tapped 2" C.F.

From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 7.5'

From S Prop. Line to Curb Cock 26'

Location of Meter CURB

Type of Box LOCN

Depth of Main in St. 3'

Depth of Service Line 2'

From Curb Cock to Tap on Main over main

Checked by Engr. Dept. 8-9-50 R.W.

No.	Fittings	Size
1	Curb Cock	5/8"
1	Elbow	3/4" copper
1	Stub	3/4" black
1	Bushing	3/4" copper
1	Reducer	2" x 3/4" TAP
4	Pipe	3/4" copper
	Lead Comp.	
	Nipples	
	Union	
	Plug	
1	Te	7/16"
1	Stop	1/4"
1	Box	2000
1	Lid	
	Valves	
	Job No.	41-323-502
	P. No.	25000

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Water service permit for this address (1950)