

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
MARCH 24, 2014
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2014-0120
804 NECHES STREET**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1938 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, wing-and-gable plan, brick house with a secondary front-facing gable at the right side of the full-width independent porch on square brick pillars, with a projecting front-gabled porch at the left side of the front elevation with a segmental-arched opening on square brick pillars; doors and windows have been boarded up.

RESEARCH

The house appears to have been built around 1938 by Santo D. Buratti, a prominent local merchant, who lived across 8th Street at 411 E. 8th in a house that no longer stands. He rented this house to his son, Chester C. Buratti, while Chester was attending the University of Texas; Chester had previously lived in his parents' house. Chester Buratti lived here from the time of construction of the house in 1938 until World War II, when the house was rented to another. Chester and his wife, Marjorie, are again listed as the tenants of the house from the end of World War II until around 1950. He went on to graduate from the University of Texas Law School and became a prominent insurance broker and real estate developer.

The house was rented out to a wide variety of tenants after Chester and his wife moved out; occupants included a boiler-maker, Air Force men, a city electrical worker, a laborer, a warehouse worker, and a grocery warehouse worker. Since the 1990s, the house has been abandoned and boarded up.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is listed in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984) but without a priority for research.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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. The house has deteriorated severely, and does not qualify for individual designation as a historic landmark under architecture or historical associations, but should be documented as one of the very few remaining residential buildings downtown.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2014-0120

LOCATION: 410 E 8th Street

1" = 166'

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804 Neches Street
ca. 1938



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
804 Neches Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
March, 2008

1992	Vacant
1985-86	Don H. Keast, renter Employed by Wholesale Food Market (not Whole Foods), 4101-B S. Congress Avenue.
1981	Ed Corbett, renter Social worker NOTE: The directory indicates that Ed Corbett was a new resident at this address.
1975	Robert Ramos, renter U.S. Air Force NOTE: The directory indicates that Robert Ramos was a new resident at this address.
1969	George and Georgia Sanchez, renters Laborer, Austin Fireproof Storage and Moving Company, 3 rd and Trinity Streets and 5501 N. Lamar Boulevard.

1963	Martin and Theresa Lobledo, renters Clerk
1959	Donald M. Alton, renter Laborer
1955	Donald M. Alton, renter Employed by the City Electric Department
1952	Silas C. and Tillie Looney, renters Boilermaker
1949	Chester C. and Anne L. Buratti, renters Proprietor (with Harry E. Montandon), Buratti & Montandon, real estate, rentals and insurance, 719 Colorado Street.
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1944-45	Jouet H. and Lois Ellett, renters U.S. Army
1942	Chester C. and Marjorie S. Buratti, renters Proprietor (with C.T. Uselton and Harry E. Montandon), Uselton, Buratti & Montandon, real estate, loans, insurance, 719 Colorado Street.
1940	C.C. Buratti, renter Not listed in the main directory
1939	Chester C. and Marjorie Buratti, renters Student
1937	The address is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Chester C. Buratti is listed as a student at the University of Texas. He lived at 411 E. 8 th Street, the home of his parents.



Chester Buratti

Chester Buratti, age 74, of Austin, died Sunday.

Born in Austin, January 7, 1915, he was a lifelong resident of Austin. He attended Austin schools, graduating from Austin High School, the University of Texas and the University of Texas Law School. He was in the real estate and insurance business for over 50 years, and was a founding member of the Austin Board of Realtors, serving as president in 1950. An avid golfer, he was a member of the Austin Country Club and promoted golf for the young through Chester Buratti Sportsmanship Award at the University of Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Ann Buratti, Austin; daughters, Suzanne Buratti, Honolulu, Hawaii, and Barbara Buratti; daughter and son-in-law, Doctors Kay and Les Broline; son and daughter-in-law, Richard M. and Eline Buratti, all of Austin; grandchildren, Shelly Broline, Amy Broline, Angela Buratti and Richard M. Buratti, Jr.

Services, 10:00 AM, Wednesday, Wood-Corley Funeral Home, with Dr. James L. Mayfield officiating. Burial.

Austin Memorial Park.

Pallbearers: Lester Lundell, Charles Munson, Garrett Goldwater, Bill Gainer, Johnny Nardecchia, and Nick Broline. **Honorary pallbearers,** Forrest Cherico, Nelson Puett, Arthur Pihlgren, Harry Montandon, Ernest Nardecchia, Dick Obenhaus, Joe Perrone and Ralph Rich.

The family will receive friends from 7:30 to 8:30 PM, Tuesday at Weed-Corley Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Chester Buratti Sportsmanship Award, the University of Texas, c/o Golf Coach Jimmy Clayton, University of Texas, Austin or Tarrytown United Methodist Church, Landscape Finishing Touches, Austin, Texas.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley Funeral Home, 3125 N. Lamar. 452-8811.

Obituary of Chester Buratti
Austin American-Statesman, April 18, 1989

Com. Charge #14 144688
Application for Sewer Connection.
Austin, Texas, 5/31 1988
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 S.D. Buratti
at 804 Neches St. Street,
further described as lot 1474 block 94, outlot
subdivision Orig. City division plat 9
which is to be used as a Res
In this place there are to be installed 4 fixtures.
I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance
charge.
Respectfully, S.D. Buratti
ST PL
Stub Out
Connected 6-4 1938 Permit Pch
Size of Main 4 inches. OK 5-
Size of Service 4 inches.
4 1/2 Feet Deep 3.5
44 Feet from Property Line Cam. 3.2
Feet from Curb Line 5.2 71
Inspected by Boatright PL
Connection made by T. J. ...
9729 13-633

Sewer tap connection permit to S.D. Buratti – 1938