

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
JULY 28, 2014  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
HDP-2014-0553  
1106 WOODLAND AVENUE**

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**PROPOSAL**

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Demolish a ca. 1939 house and a ca. 1948 secondary dwelling unit.

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**ARCHITECTURE**

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The principal house is a one-and-a-half story, irregular-plan, stuccoed frame, side-gabled house with a projecting front-gabled bay and an integral garage at the basement level of the house; single and paired 1:1 fenestration with 4:1 wood screens; partial-width shed-roofed entry porch at the left side of the projecting front-gabled bay.

The secondary dwelling unit is a one-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled frame house with a central entry and paired 1:1 fenestration.

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**RESEARCH**

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The house was built in 1939 by Floyd N. Moore, a local physician who specialized in diseases of the lungs. Floyd Moore had been born in Texas, and in 1930, he was a staff physician at the Texas State Sanitarium near San Angelo. He and his wife, Melitta, moved to Austin around 1935, and rented a house just north of Hyde Park on Avenue G before building this house. Floyd Moore died in 1943; Melitta Moore continued to live here for a few years after Floyd's death. Around 1946, the house was purchased by John D. and Paula Barton, who lived here for the rest of their lives. John D. Barton had a real estate brokerage firm; Paula Barton worked as a clerk in the State Employment Commission. In 1948, they constructed a secondary dwelling unit at the end of their driveway in the back yard of this house. No residents for this secondary unit are shown in directories before that of 1959, and it was only sporadically rented out by the Bartons. When rented, their tenants were generally students.

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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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Postpone the case to August 25, 2014 to explore alternatives to demolition of the front house, but release the demolition permit on the secondary dwelling unit. The front house is a classic example of minimal traditional architecture and is very compatible with the architecture and context of this section of Travis Heights. Staff would counsel the applicant to consider additions to the rear of the main house or a new secondary structure in the rear so as to preserve the main house and maintain its historic context and street presence on Woodland Avenue, a major street through the neighborhood.

## LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2014-0553  
Address: 1106 WOODLAND AVENUE



1" = 200'

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1106 Woodland Avenue  
ca. 1939 with a ca. 1948 secondary dwelling unit



OCCUPANCY HISTORY  
1106 Woodland Avenue

By City Historic Preservation Office  
July, 2014

1992	Pauline Barton, owner Retired ½: Jan B. Thompson, renter No occupation listed
1985-86	Paula Barton, owner Retired ½: Vacant
1981	Paula J. Barton, owner Retired ½: Vacant
1977	John D. and Paula J. Barton, owners Real estate, 114 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> Street (Norwood Building), Room 1314 ½: Danny Evans, renter No occupation listed NOTE: The directory indicates that Danny Evans was a new resident at this address.
1973	John D. and Paula J. Barton, owners John: Real estate, 114 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> Street (Norwood Building), Room 610 Paula: Clerk, State Employment Commission ½: Harry H. and Karen Frazer, III, renters Harry: Student Karen: Research assistant, University of Texas.
1968	John D. and Paula J. Barton, owners John: Proprietor, John D. Barton, Realtor "For sincere personal service in sales and rentals of all types of real estate", 201-A Capital National Bank Building, 114 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> Street. Paula: Clerk, State Employment Commission ½: No return
1962	John D. and Paula J. Barton, owners John: Real estate, 201-A Capital National Bank Building, 114 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> Street. Paula: Clerk, State Employment Commission ½: Merton L. and Mary E. Van Orden, renters No occupation listed
1959	John D. and Paula J. Barton, owners John: Real estate, 201-A Capital National Bank Building, 114 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> Street. Paula: Clerk, State Employment Commission ½: Lawrence and Ada G. Pewitt, renters Lawrence: Student Ada: Nurse, Brackenridge Hospital
1955	John D. and Paula Barton, owners



- John: Real estate, 201-A Capital National Bank Building, 114 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.  
 Paula: Clerk, State Employment Commission  
 NOTE: There is no listing for 1106½ Woodland Avenue.
- 1952 John D. and Paula Barton, owners  
 John: Real estate, 201-A Capital National Bank Building, 114 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.  
 Paula: Clerk, State Employment Commission
- 1949 John D. and Paula Barton, owners  
 John: Accountant, State Liquor Control Board  
 Paula: Clerk, Texas Employment Commission
- 1947 John D. and Paula Barton, owners  
 John: Real estate, 201 Capital National Bank Building, 114 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.  
 Paula: Clerk, State Unemployment Compensation Commission
- 1944-45 Melitta Moore (not listed as owner)  
 Widow, Floyd N. Moore  
 Book-keeper, Rufus H. Glissman Garage, Chrysler and Plymouth automobiles, 404 Brazos Street.  
 NOTE: John D. and Paula M. Barton are listed at 802 Fredericksburg Road. He was in the U.S. Navy; she was a clerk for the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.
- 1941 Floyd N. and Melitta Moore, owners  
 Physician, 803 Norwood Building, 114 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
- 1940 The address is not listed in the directory.  
 NOTE: Floyd and Melitta Moore are listed at 4511 Avenue G. he was a physician with offices in the Norwood Building.

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

### Floyd N. and Melitta Moore (ca. 1939 – ca 1946)

Floyd N. and Melitta Moore appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owners of this house, which was worth \$6,800. Floyd N. Moore was 41, had been born in Texas, and was a physician in private practice. Melitta Moore was 39, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. With them lived Melitta's mother, Margaret Rauch, an 81-year old Texas-born widow who had lived in Seguin, Texas in 1935, and who had no occupation listed. The Moores also had a live-in housekeeper, Emma Werchan, 32, who had been born in Texas, and had lived in rural Bastrop County in 1935.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Floyd N. and Melitta Moore living on the grounds of the Texas State Sanitarium in Tom Green County. Floyd was a physician at the sanitarium. Melitta had no occupation listed.

# Last Rites For Dr. Moore To Be Held Today

**Medical Director Of  
Tubercular Hospital  
Succumbs at 43**

Funeral services for Dr. Floyd N. Moore, 43, prominent Austin physician, who died suddenly at his home, 1106 Woodland avenue, Thursday at 5:30 a. m., will be held Friday at 5 p. m. from the Wilke Funeral home. Burial will be in Austin Memorial cemetery.

Dr. Moore is survived by his widow, Mrs. Melitta Moore; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Moore of Comanche; three brothers, S. C. Moore of Dripping Springs, and Seth Moore and Raymond Moore, both of Comanche; four sisters, Mrs. Vada Regans of Comanche, Mrs. Hettie Salisbury of Edinburg.

**Mrs. Alma Higgins of Galveston,  
and Mrs. Beatrice Schuman of San  
Antonio.**

A graduate of Baylor Medical school, Dr. Moore specialized in tuberculosis in his medical practice. After serving on the staff of the state sanatorium at Sanatorium from 1928 to 1933, Dr. Moore came to Austin and had practiced here since. He was among medical men here instrumental in the establishment of the Austin-Travis county tubercular hospital. He served on the governing board of that institution and was its medical director.

Dr. Moore held membership in the Travis County Medical society, in the Belton Baptist church, San Angelo Lodge No. 570, A.F.&A.M. of San Angelo, and in the Austin Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Moore's death apparently followed a heart attack. He had suffered an attack three years ago

and since then he had confined office practice to morning hours, serving during the afternoon at tubercular hospital.

Obituary of Floyd N. Moore  
Austin American, February 26, 1943

#### **John D. and Paula Barton (ca. 1946 – ca. 1999)**

The 1940 U.S. Census shows John D. and Paula Barton as the renters of the house at 901 Theresa Avenue in Austin. John D. Barton was 24, had been born in Texas, and was a clerk in the State Liquor Department. Paula Barton was 28, had been born in Texas, and was a machine operator for the State Unemployment Commission. She had lived in Sulphur Springs, Texas in 1935; he had lived in Austin.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows John D. Barton as the 14-year old son of Joseph and Albina Barton of Granger, Texas. His parents had both been born in Czechoslovakia – his father was a Lutheran minister.

**BARTON, John Daniel, 63, 1106 Woodland, died Wednesday. Services 10 a.m. Friday at Wilke-Clay Funeral Home. Burial, Oakwood Cemetery. Survivors: wife, Mrs. Paula Barton of Austin; mother, Mrs. Alvina Barton of Austin; daughter, Mrs. Jan Thompson of Garland; brother, the Rev. Josef Barton of Rockport; two grandchildren.**

Obituary of John D. Barton  
Austin American-Statesman, November 30, 1978



### **Paula Barton**

Paula Barton, longtime Austin resident, cherished mother, grandmother and friend, passed away August 25, 1999.

Hers was a life well lived. To all who knew her, she leaves a legacy of laughter, intelligence, determination, perseverance, strength, devotion, generosity, and lasting love.

She was born September 27, 1910, in Sulphur Springs, Texas, the oldest child of Claude and Juanita Snow McCorkle.

Her two brothers, Henry McCorkle and Burton McCorkle, preceded her in death.

She moved to Austin in 1937 and worked at the Texas Employment Commission (now the Texas Workforce Commission) from its inception in the early '40's until her retirement in the mid '70's. She married John Barton on June 4, 1938. They enjoyed 40 years together, until his death in November 1978.

She is survived by her daughter, Jan Barton Thompson; son-in-law, Jeryl Thompson; grandchildren, Jana Thompson and Steven Thompson; and by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 26, 1999, at Wilke-Clay-Fish Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p. m. on Friday, August 27, 1999, at First United Methodist Church Chapel, with Reverend Lon A. Speer officiating. Interment to follow at Oakwood Cemetery.

The family request memorial remembrances to be made to the Methodist Children's Home in Waco, Texas.

Arrangements by Wilke-Clay-Fish Funeral Home, 2620 S. Congress Ave., 442-1446.

Obituary of Paula Barton  
Austin American-Statesman, August 26, 1999



F. N. Moore 1106 Woodland Ave.  
 133 - 43 19&20 -  
 Travis Heights

frame stucco res. with gar. attached

292n - 10-23-39

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Building permit to Floyd N. Moore for the construction of the house (1939)

Connection Charge #1698 No 16258  
 APPLICATION FOR SEWER CONNECTION.  
 Austin, Texas, 10-23-1939  
 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 F. N. Moore  
 at 1106 Woodland Ave. Street,  
 further described as lot 19&20 block 43, outlot \_\_\_\_\_,  
 subdivision Travis Hts., division \_\_\_\_\_, plat 133,  
 which is to be used as a Res.  
 In this place there are to be installed \_\_\_\_\_ fixtures.  
 I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance  
 charge. Respectfully,  
2 DEEP H. C. Hunsbarger  
AT-PL Stub Out  
 Connected 11-29 1939 PM-PL  
 Size of Main 6 inches. 11-18-39  
 Size of Service 4 inches. 11-21-39  
4 Feet Deep Permanant 9.6  
 Feet from Property Line Con 67' N  
 Feet from Curb Line of N Curb Line  
 Inspected by Dratting of St  
 Connection made by Construction  
12610 sewer in agreement on east side  
of lot 19 L. H. B. H. 11-18-39

Sewer connection application by Floyd N. Moore for this address.

John D. Barton

1106-B Woodland Ave.

134 19&amp;20 43 - -

Travis Heights

Frame residence

36828

3-8-48

\$2500.00

E. E. Dudley

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Building permit to John D. Barton for the construction of the secondary dwelling unit (1948)

Receipt No. 9416 Application for Sewer Connection No. 23978

Austin, Texas, 3-30-48

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 John D. Barton at 1106-B Woodland Street.

further described as Lot 19920 Block 43 Outlot          Division         

subdivision Travis Hts Plat 33, which is to be used as a         

In this place there are to be installed          fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 29085

I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge.

Depth at Prop. Line Top of ground main: 11 Respectfully,

Str. Out } 15 Hts of N PL John D. Barton

Connected } (Location)

Date 4-27-48

By Darey

NOTE: Connection Instruction Under in Case 15 Hts of N PL

Deep. 20' in 5' W of E.P. C.A-1195

Sewer connection application by John D. Barton for the secondary dwelling unit (1948)