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7th Street and Congress Avenue Congress Avenue

PROPOSAL

The applicant proposes some Great Streets improvements the site of the proposed hotel at the southeast corner of 7th Street and Congress Avenue, including the possible removal of the existing light pole on Congress Avenue and the installation of a Great Streets streetlight on E. 7th Street, but still within the historic district.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

Installation of a Great Streets streetlight and street furniture.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The Congress Avenue Historic District has no specific guidelines for street furniture or street lights, but the district has a number of historic streetlamp poles that have been retrofitted for modern use. The corner of 7th and Congress has a historic light pole facing Congress Avenue and a modern streetlight attached to the traffic light pole on 7th Street. The plans do not show the retention of the Congress Avenue light pole, only the installation of a Great Streets light pole on 7th Street.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Retain the historic light pole on Congress Avenue, and consider alternative lighting for 7th Street – a Great Streets pole might be appropriate at that site, but only in conjunction with the retention of the Congress Avenue light pole.

