

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS
APRIL 27, 2015
NRD-2015-0026
808 Spence Street
Willow Spence

PROPOSAL

Construct a new story secondary residence on the rear part of the property to be accessed through the alley.

ARCHITECTURE

The contributing building that faces Spence Street is a one story metal hipped roof frame bungalow with simple detailing. It has a partial width front porch and lap siding. It has a regular fenestration around the house and on both street facades.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

Construct a two story secondary residence on the rear of the lot facing the alley. The building is contemporary in design. It is a frame building that will be sided in hardi-lap siding and an asphalt shingle roof. There will be a third floor deck. The windows on each façade will be a consistent size and are all in the horizontal line.

HISTORY OF THE PROPERTY

The property was built around 1930; for the first decade of the building's life the building has new tenants every few years. It was a rental unit that housed laborers. In 1930 A.B. Curtis and his wife Mary lived in the property. Curtis worked at Orange Front Gardens. In 1932, W.C. Huddleston, who worked at Texas Public Service Company, and R.L. and Jonnie Gary lived in the property. In 1935 E.A. McAtee who was a shipping clerk at J.C. Bryant Creamery resided there. Between 1936-1939, James B. and Della Suggs lived in the property and James was a driver for Texas Public Service Company. In 1940 for a year Donald and Dorothy Hawk were living at the property. Donald was a clerk at Sweney and Company Insurance. From 1941 to 1955 Mrs. Lillie Eckart, the widow of Mike Eckart, lived at the property. Between 1959 until the mid to late 1980s Vera and Maueal Covarrubias owned the property. Manuel was an employee of Austex Foods and Frito Lay.

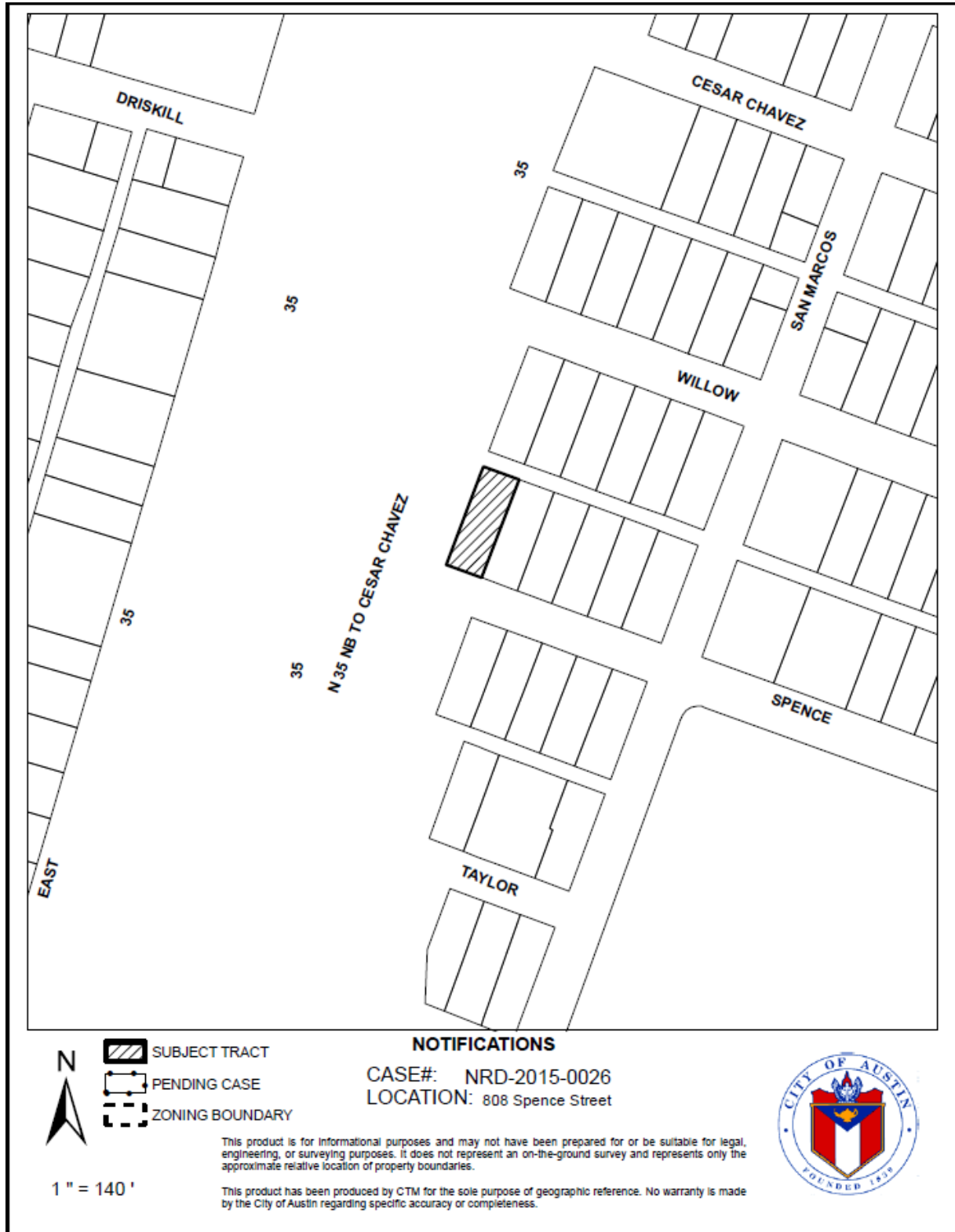
STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The house is contributing to the Willow Spence National Register Historic District. The Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines does not have specific guidelines for new construction. General design guidelines in historic district stress the importance of maintaining a regular street pattern and to design additions and infill construction with a size, scale, and materials compatible with the historic character of the neighborhood and the other contributing houses within the district.

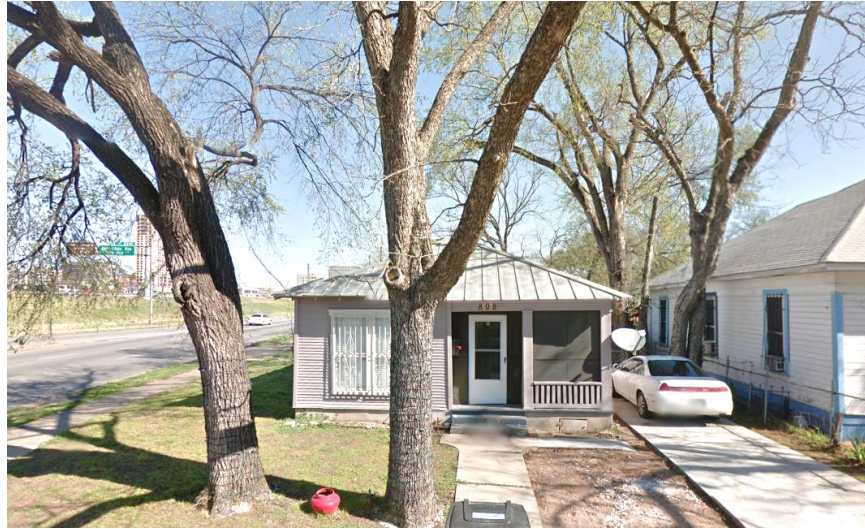
STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve as proposed. While the design of the new rear building is contemporary in design, the applicant is using lap siding and a consistent size and placement of the windows and doors on the facades. This lot is also located next to the access road and therefore is not within the middle of a district but is rather on an edge.

LOCATION MAP



808 Spence Street
Circa 1930



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
808 Spence St.

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
April, 2015

1992	Vera Trujillo- retired Unit b- vacant
1985-86	Ms Vera C. Covarrubias, owner Retired Note: Manuel and Vera Trujillo was living at 810 Bastrop highway lot 70 and Manuel was the manager of Berstrome Towne Mobile Home Park.
1981	Manuel and Vera Covarrubias, owners Retired
1977	Manuel and Vera Covarrubias, owners Retired
1973	Manuel and Vera Covarrubias, owners Retired
1968	Manuel and Vera Covarrubias, owners Employee at Frito Lay
1962	Manuel and Vera Covarrubias, owners Employee at Frito Lay Rear Unit listed as vacant
1959	Manuel and Vera Covarrubias, owners

	Laborer at Austex Foods Rear Unit listed as vacant
1955	Mrs. Lillie Eckart, owner No occupation listed
1952	Mrs. Lillie Eckart, owner No occupation listed
1949	Mrs. Lille Eckart, owner No occupation listed
1947	Mrs. Lillie Eckart, owner No occupation listed
1944-45	Mrs. Lillie Eckart, owner No occupation listed
1941	Mrs. Lillie Eckart (widow of Mike Eckart), owner No occupation listed
1940	Donald W. and Dorothy Hawk Clerk at Sweney and Company Insurance Note: Mrs. Lillie Eckart is listed at 85 East Avenueue
1939	James B. and Della Suggs, owner Driver Note: Donald W and Dorothy Hawk are listed at 2215 Garden Street
1937	James B. and Della Suggs, owner Driver for Texas Public Service Company
1935	Edgar A and Hazel McAtee Shipping Clert and J.C Bryant Creamery Note: James B and Della Suggs are listed at 804 Baylor Street
1932-33	W.C Huddleston Texas Public Service Company Also listed is R.L and Johnnie Gary
1930-31	A.B. and Myrtle Curtis Orange Front Gardens Note: W.C Huddleston is listed at 801 Taylor Ave.
1929	Not Listed

LOT 16 *Spence* WATER SERVICE PERMIT B. H. Austin, Texas

No. 18536

 Received of *R. G. MUELLER JR*

 Date *1-2-55*

 Address *808 SPENCE - B*

 Amount *TWENTY*

 Plumber *-*

 Size of Tap *3/4"*

 Date of Connection *10-19-59*

 Size of Tap Made *1"*

 Size Service Made *1"*

 Size Main Tapped *6" C.F.*

 From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock *75'*

 From *E* - Prop. Line to Curb Cock *26'*

 Location of Meter *CURB*

 Type of Box *ROUND*

 Depth of Main in St. *3'*

 Depth of Service Line *3'*

 From Curb Cock to Tap on Main *18'*

 Check by Engr. Dept. *2-12-60*

INDEXED

No. Fittings

Size

20. Pipe 1" cop.

1. Corp. Cock 1"

Cop. to Iron ell

Cop. to Cop. ell

Cop. to Iron Coupling

Cop. to Cop. Coupling

1. Angle Stop 3/4" (FLAT)

Stop

Bushing

1. Nipples BRANCH CONNECTION

Service Clamp 1" x 3/4"

Valve

1. Meter Box ROUND

1. Lock Lid

1. Drain Tile

1. Drain Tile Lid

Stop & Drain

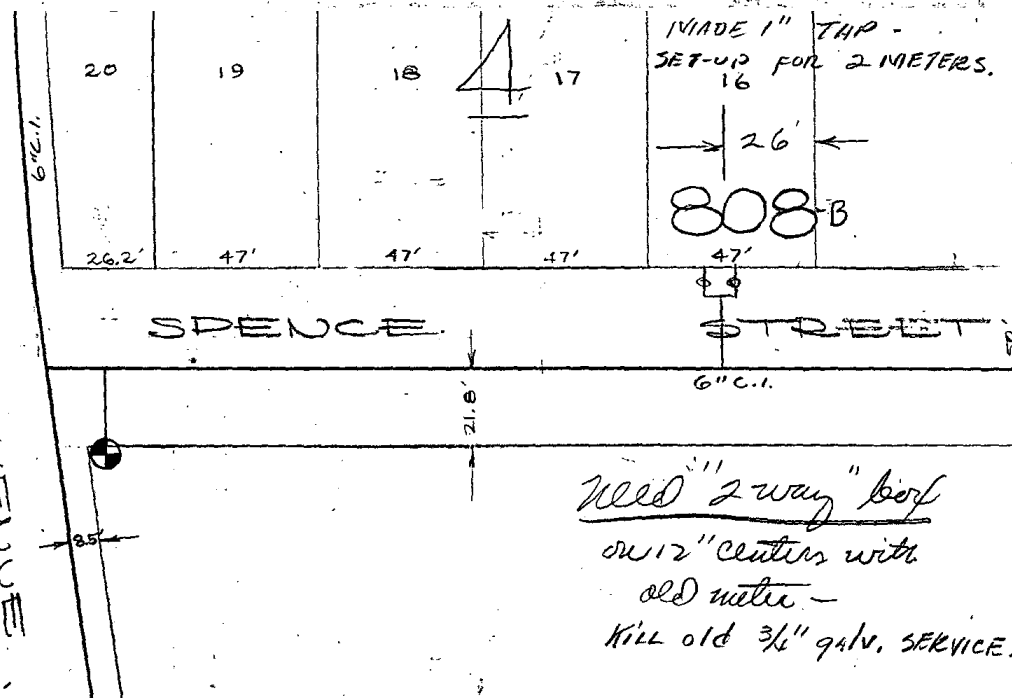
 Job No. *323700-502*

 Foreman *W. J. Miller*

REPLACES TO TAP AS 107

EAST AVENUE

200'



1962 Sanborn showing a secondary unit that was moved onto the property from 803 Spence Street due to the highway.

