

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
JUNE 22, 2015  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
HDP-2015-0501  
2211 WILLOW STREET**

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**PROPOSAL**

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Demolish a ca. 1915 house.

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**ARCHITECTURE**

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One-story, rectangular-plan, hipped-roof frame house with an almost-full-width shed-roofed independent porch on plain, square, wood posts; single and double 1:1 fenestration; bay window addition to the right side of the house.

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**RESEARCH**

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The house appears to have been built around 1915. The first known owners and occupants were William D. and Ruby Echols, who lived here until around 1919. William D. Echols was a salesman for wholesale meats, fruits, and groceries; he later moved to San Antonio, and was a government inspector. From around 1919 to around 1925, the house was owned by Leonard and Maggie Knight; he was a fireman for the railroad. From around 1925 until around 1929, the house was rented by John R. and Martha Atchison. Atchison was a meat cutter. Jacob Lindsey Kelley and his wife, Lola, owned and occupied the house through the 1930s until the mid-1940s. Kelley was a long-time city policeman. From the mid-1940s through the mid-1950s, the house was owned and occupied by Norman and Winona Payton. Norman Payton grew up on a large farm in Travis County, then worked at a variety of occupations while living in this house – he was a brakeman, then a driver for the Firestone Test Fleet, then a floor sander. His obituary notes that he was working for Lack's Furniture at the time of his death. From the mid-1950s until recently, the house was owned and occupied by Sipriano "Speedy" Arellano and his wife, Maria. Arellano was a carpenter.

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**STAFF COMMENTS**

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The house is listed in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984) as a Priority 2 for research.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Either postpone to the next scheduled meeting of the Commission, or initiate a historic zoning case. The house has retained a high degree of integrity, and the bay window that has been installed on the right side of the house can be removed and the change reversed. This ca. 1915 house is another vernacular East Austin structure that communicates the historic architecture and scale of the working-class neighborhood, and has long associations with families that typify the social and economic class of the neighborhood. Every consideration should be made to rehabilitation of this house over demolition.

# LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2015-0501  
Address: 2211 WILLOW STREET



1" = 200'

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2211 Willow Street  
ca. 1915



OCCUPANCY HISTORY  
2211 Willow Street

By City Historic Preservation Office  
August, 2014

- 1992 Sipriano and Maria M. Arellano, owners  
No occupation listed  
Also listed is Sipriano Arellano, Jr., no occupation shown.
- 1985-86 Spiriano and Maria M. Arellano. owners  
Carpenter  
Also listed is Sipriano Arellano, Jr., no occupation shown.
- 1981 Sipriano and Maria M. Arellano, owners  
Carpenter
- 1977 Sipriano and Maria M. Arellano, owners  
Carpenter
- 1973 Sipriano and Maria M. Arellano, owners  
Carpenter
- 1968 Sipriano and Maria M. Arellano, owners  
Carpenter  
Also listed is Sipriano Arellano, Jr., a carpenter.
- 1962 Sipriano and Maria M. Arellano, owners  
Carpenter  
Also listed is Sipriano Arellano, Jr., no occupation shown.
- 1959 Sipriano and Maria M. Arellano, owners  
Sander, Economy Furniture, 5100 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street.
- 1955 Norman M. and Winona Payton, owners  
Proprietor, Payton's Floor Service, 4123 Guadalupe Street.  
NOTE: Sipriano and Maria Arellano are listed at 2813 Castro Street; he was employed by Nalle Plastics, 108-10 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- 1952 Norman M. and Winona Payton, owners  
Sander
- 1949 Norman M. and Hallie W. Payton, owners  
Driver, Firestone Test Fleet, 211 E. Riverside Drive.  
Also listed is Norman Payton, a tile setter for Armor Tile, 1728 Barton Springs Road.
- 1947 Norman M. and Winona Payton, owners  
Test driver, Firestone Test Fleet, 211 E. Riverside Drive.
- 1944-45 Norman M. and Winona Payton, owners  
Brakeman
- 1941 Jacob L. and Lola M. Kelley, owners  
City policeman  
NOTE: Norman and Winona Payton are listed at 502 Park Boulevard; he was a driver for White Laundry and Dry Cleaning, 2822 Guadalupe Street.

- 1939 Jacob L. Kelley, owner  
NOTE: There is no listing for a Jacob L. Kelley in the alphabetical section of the directory.
- 1937 Joseph L. and Lola May Kelley, owners  
City police
- 1935 J. Lindsey and Ney Kelley, owners  
City police
- 1932-33 J. Lindsey and L. May Kelley, owners  
City police
- 1930-31 J. Lindsey and Lola Kelley, owners  
City detective
- 1929 John R. and Martha Atchison, renters  
Meat cutter, J.L. Albers, grocery and market, 2117 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street.  
Also listed is James G. Atchison, a painter.  
NOTE: J. Lindsey and Lola Kelley are listed at 4312 Avenue G; he was a city detective.
- 1927 John R. and Martha Atchison, renters  
Meat cutter
- 1924 Lennie J. and Maggie Knight, owners  
Fireman, Southern Pacific Lines  
NOTE: John R. and Martha Atchison are listed at 310 Chicon Street; he had no occupation shown.
- 1922 Leonard and Maggie Knight, owners  
Fireman, Southern Pacific Lines
- 1920 Leonard and Maggie Knight, renters  
Fireman, Houston and Texas Central Railroad
- 1918 William D. and Ruby Echols, owners  
Traveling salesman  
NOTE: Leonard and Maggie Knight are listed at 310 Chicon Street; he was a fireman.
- 1916 William D. Echols  
City salesman, Benton W. Randolph, wholesale fruits and groceries, 401 Colorado Street.
- 1914 The address is not listed in the directory.  
NOTE: William D. Echols is listed at 2003 Willow Street; he was a salesman for Sulzberger & Sons, wholesale meats, 210 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:****William D. and Ruby Echols (ca. 1915 – ca. 1919)**



William D. and Ruby Echols are listed in the 1910 U.S. Census at 1303 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street. William D. Echols was 29, had been born in Texas, and was a shipping clerk for a wholesale grocery company.. Ruby Echols was 30, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a son, Edgar, 5. With them lived William's sister, Minnie Vaughan, 25, who had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. The 1920 U.S. Census shows William D. and Ruby Echols living in San Antonio, where they owned their house. William D. Echols was a government inspector. Ruby Echols is listed as having been born in Tennessee. In addition to Edgar, then 15 and a newspaper boy, the couple had a daughter, Evelyn, then 6. They also had a boarder, Louise Wasnig, a 65-year old widow, who had been born in Texas and had no occupation listed.

William Echols died in Dallas in October 3, 1947.

### **Leonard and Maggie Knight (ca.1919 – ca. 1925)**

The 1920 Census shows Leonard and Maggie Knight as the renters of this house. Leonard Knight was 28, had been born in Texas, and was a fireman for the railroad. Maggie Knight was also 28, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 3 children: Jessie, 7; Maurice, 5; and Leonard, Jr., 1. All the children had been born in Texas. With them lived Maggie Knight's brother, W.C. Womack, 22, a Texas-born fireman for the railroad..

### **John R. and Martha Atchison (ca. 1925 – ca. 1929)**

John R. and Martha Atchison appear in the 1930 U.S. Census as the renters of the house at 1207 Canterbury Street. John R. Atchison was 69, had been born in Texas, and was a butcher in a meat market. Martha Atchison was 68, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. With them lived 2 sons: A.A., 32, a mixer in a bakery; and James G., 48, a divorced painter for a building contractor. James' daughter, Martha, 13, also lived in the family home.

By 1940, according to the census report, John R. Atchison was living with his daughter, Ora Speckels, and Ora's husband, Leon, in a rented house at 306 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street. John R. Atchison had no occupation listed; Leon Spreckels was a carpenter.

**JOHN ROBERT ATCHISON**  
**John Robert Atchison, 82, died at**  
**the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ora**  
**Spreckles, at 10 a. m. Monday.**  
**He is survived by two sons, Amon**  
**and Elba Atchison of San Antonio;**  
**two daughters, Mrs. Ora Spreckles**  
**and Mrs. Lola Duncan of Austin.**  
**Funeral arrangements are pend-**  
**ing arrival of out-of-town relatives.**

Obituary of John Robert Atchison  
 Austin American, June 22, 1943

**JOHN ROBERT ATCHISON**

Funeral services for John Robert Atchison, 82, will be held from the Wilke Funeral home at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday with the Rev. Conway Wharton officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood cemetery. Pallbearers will be Capt. R. B. Tate, Beel Stone, Bob Freeman, G. G. Speckels, N. J. Rabensburg and Charles Thedford.

Funeral notice for John Robert Atchison  
Austin American, June 23, 1943

**Jacob L. and Lola Kelley (ca. 1929 – ca. 1943)**

Lindsey and Lola Kelley appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owners of this house, which was worth \$2,500. Lindsey Kelley was 69, had been born in Georgia, and was a policeman with the City Police Department. Lola Kelley was 63, had been born in Arkansas, and had no occupation listed. With them lived Lola's mother, Fannie Crowe, an 85-year old Arkansas-born widow; and Lola's brother, Homer Crowe, 44, who had been born in Arkansas, and was a mechanic in the construction trade.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Lindsey and Lola Kelley as the owners of this house, which was worth \$3,000. Lindsey Kelley was a 59-year old city policeman. Lola Kelley had no occupation listed. With them lived a nephew, Jim Kelley, 22, a Texas-born elevator operator in an office building.

**JACOB KELLY**

Jacob Kelley died at his residence, 5110 Caswell Avenue, Thursday. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lola Ney Kelley; and one daughter, Mrs. W. M. Crowe, both of Austin. He had been a member of the Austin Police Department for 20 years, retiring several years ago. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 12 A F & A M. Funeral services will be held at the Cook Funeral Home Saturday at 11 a. m. with the Reverend F. R. Dill and W. T. Jacks officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge.

Obituary of Jacob Lindsey Kelley  
Austin American, April 19, 1946

**Norman M. and Winona Payton (ca. 1943 – ca. 1957)**

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Norman and Winona Payton as the renters of the house at 502 Park Boulevard in Austin. Norman Payton was 25, had been born in Texas, and was a driver for a laundry. Winona Payton was 23, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had no children living with them. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Norman M. Payton as the 15-year old son of Bradford and Era P. Payton, who lived in Precinct 3 of Travis County. He was a student at the rural school; his father was a farmer, who owned his own farm worth \$12,000.

**Norman Melton Payton**

**Norman Melton Payton, 74, of Austin, died Thursday.**

**He was a member of the Baptist Church; and at the time of his death, a retired sales representative for Lack's Furniture Company.**

**Survivors include his wife, Winona White Payton; his two sons, Bobby Payton and Dickie Payton; and one daughter, Barbara Copeland, all of Austin; three brothers, Joel Payton of Austin, Leon Payton of California, and Joy Payton of Houston; eight grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.**

**Funeral services will be held at 1:30 PM, Saturday, in Hyltin-Manor Funeral Chapel, with Dr. Bob Bender officiating. Interment will be in Memorial Hill Park.**

**Arrangements by Hyltin-Manor Funeral Chapel, 3000 No. IH-35 at 30th St. 476-5387.**

Obituary of Norman M. Payton  
Austin American-Statesman, September 1, 1989

**Sipriano and Maria Arellano (ca. 1957 – ca.**



## **Sipriano M. "Speedy" Arellano, Sr.**

Sipriano M. "Speedy" Arellano, Sr., age 71, of Austin was called to his eternal home on June 26, 1999.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Arellano; sons, Sipriano Arellano, Jr., Jesse Arellano and Gilbert Arellano; eight grandchildren, Gina A. Robledo, Max Arellano, Barbara Arellano, Eric Arellano, Jessie Arellano, Amy Arellano, Edward Arellano and Albert Arellano; and five great-grandchildren, Victoria Reyes, Andrew Reyes, Veronica Reyes, Monica Robledo and Santos Robledo.

Holy Rosary will be recited 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, at All Faith's Funeral Service-North Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, at Cristo Rey Catholic Church. Burial will follow in Jones Cemetery.



**All Faith's**  
**Funeral Service** 326-8878  
4360 S. Congress #115

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Obituary of Sipriano Arellano  
Austin American-Statesman, June 28, 1999