

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS
JULY 27, 2015
NRD-2015-0065
1700 Pease Road
Old West Austin National Register Historic District

PROPOSAL

Construct a two story single family residential unit on a vacant lot.

ARCHITECTURE

Currently a vacant lot

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

Construct a two story stucco sided cross gabled house. The house sits parallel to the street and has a detached two car garage in the same plan as the house. The garage and house are connected by a breezeway. The house has a recessed front door and windows placed centrally in each bay of the house. The house has a metal roof and little detailing throughout the house.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

This property is within the Old West Austin National Register Historic District. The Secretary of the Interiors 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

While the house is contemporary and modern in style with little detailing around the windows and openings, the house form, set back, street fronting detached garage and orientation are similar to other buildings on the same block and are in keeping with the neighborhood. Along Pease Road there are contributing houses that are frame, brick and stucco so the use of stucco is also contextually sensitive to the neighborhood.

Staff recommends release of the permit as it is as the applicant has proposed a building that, while modern has created a building that is of its own time period while being contextually sensitive to the National Register Historic District.

LOCATION MAP

