HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2015-0841 2007 Oxford Avenue

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1937 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled stone-veneered frame house with a central, partial-width, steeply-pitched front-gabled overdoor hood with a round stone arch framing the recessed doorway; single and paired 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house appears to have been built in 1937; the first occupants were renters, Albert and Irma Richter, who had moved here from Albert's home state of Kansas. Richter was a clerk in the construction department of the telephone company. He and Irma lived here for a year or two, then moved to a house on Hollywood Avenue.

The house was then purchased by Alex and Katholeen Weyand, whose descendants still own the property. Alex Weyand was a native of Carmine, Texas in Fayette County; he owned a store there through the 1920s. He and Katholeen moved to Austin before 1930, and rented a house at 2503 Guadalupe Street. Alex Weyand became a traveling salesman selling men's hats. He then went to work as a salesman for Dittlinger Roller Mills, an Austin flour mill. The Weyands moved from Guadalupe Street to a house at 1400 Kinney Avenue, then bought the property at 2008 and 2010 Kinney Avenue, which is directly behind this house. The 1939 city directory shows the Weyands at 2010 Kinney Avenue, and their son, Alex Weyand, Jr. at 2008 Kinney Avenue. The 1940 U.S. Census and the 1940 city directory show Alex and Katholeen Weyand as the owners of this house. Alex Weyand is listed as a salesman for the flour mill. Their son, Alex Weyand, Jr. continued to live behind them at 2008 Kinney Avenue.

In the mid-1940s, Alex Weyand went into business with W.H. Cobb to open a service station on Fredericksburg Road (now South Lamar Boulevard), but by the late 1940s, Weyand again listed his primary occupation in city directories as a salesman. Alex Weyand passed away in 1959; the family rented this house out in the 1960s. Around 1970, the Weyands' daughter, Alice Jowers, moved back into the house with her mother, Katholeen Weyand. Alice Jowers was a widow at that point and worked as an office secretary. Katholeen Weyand passed away in 1975. The house continued to be owned by family members – Diane Bowen, the daughter of Alex M. Weyand, Jr. (and grand-daughter of Alex and Katholeen Weyand) was the latest owner of the property.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the limits of any City survey. The house is also beyond the limits of any Sanborn Fire Insurance Company map.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for

archiving at the Austin History Center. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



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OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2007 Oxford Avenue

City Directory Research, Austin History Center

2007 Oxford Avenue

1992	Alex M. and Inez Weyand, owners Retired
1985-86	John L. and Adriana McBride, renters Salesman
1981	H.A. Carroll, owner No occupation listed NOTE: The directory indicates that H.A. Carroll was a new resident at this address.
1977	Alice M. Jowers, owner Widow, George K. Jowers Office secretary, State Insurance Liquidation Division
1973	Alice M. Jowers, owner Widow, George K. Jowers Office secretary, Cattleman's Life Insurance Company (not listed in the alphabetical section of the directory).
1968	Dick and Daisy Sanders, renters Proprietor, Sanders Drilling, water well drillers (office at the house)
1962	Lawrence L. and June Hawkins, renters Distributor, Austin News Agency, wholesale, 1225 Red River Street.
1959	Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand, owners No occupation listed
1955	Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand, owners No occupation listed
1952	Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand, owners No occupation listed
1949	Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand, owners Salesman
1947	Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand, owners Proprietor (with W.H. Cobb), Cobb & Weyand Service Station, 2034 Fredericksburg Road. Also listed are Alex M. and Inez Weyand, Jr.; he was a rancher.
1944-45	Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand, owners Salesman NOTE: Alex and Inez Weyand, Jr. are listed at 2008 Kinney Avenue; he was a cleaner.
1941	Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand, owners Salesman

- Alex and Kathleen Weyand, renters
 Salesman, Dittlinger Roller Mills, flour, 911 E. 4th Street.
 NOTE: Albert L. and Erma D. Richter are listed at 4601 [3601] Hollywood
 Avenue; he was a foreman for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.
- Albert and Irma Richter, renters Clerk
 NOTE: Alex and Kathleen Weyand are listed at 2010 Kinney Avenue; he was a salesman for Dittlinger Roller Mills, flour, 911 E. 4th Street.
 NOTE: Alex and Inez Weyand, Jr. are listed at 2008 Kinney Avenue; he was a carpet layer for Scarbrough's Department Store.
- 1937 The listings in the directory for houses on Oxford Avenue do not match up with current house numbers. Albert and Irma Richter are not listed in the directory. Alex M. and Kathleen Weyand are listed at 1400 Kinney Avenue; he was a salesman for Dittlinger Roller Mills, flour, 911 E. 4th Street. Alex M. and Inez Weyand, Jr. are listed on a rural route; he was a carpet layer for E.M. Scarbrough & Sons department store; she was a bookbinder for the Steck Company.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Albert and Erma Richter (ca. 1937 - ca. 1939)

Albert L. and Erma Richter appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owners of the house at 3601 Hollywood Avenue in Austin; the house was worth \$3,000. Albert L. Richter was 25, had been born in Kansas, and was a clerk in the construction department of the telephone company. Erma Richter was 25, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a daughter, Sharon, 2, who had been born in Texas. They had lived in Topeka, Kansas in 1935. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Albert L. Richter as the 15-year old son of Archie and Gertrude Richter of Newton, Kansas. Albert was an attendant at a service station; his father was a switchman for the steam railway; his mother was a laundress at home.

Alex and Katholeen Weyand

Alice Jowers

Alex and Inez Weyand

(ca. 1939 –)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows A.M. Weyand, Sr. and Katholeen Weyand as the owners of this house, which was worth \$2,500. A.M. Weyand, Sr. was 65, had been born in Texas, and was a wholesale salesman for a flour mill. Katholeen Weyand was 54, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. With them lived Katholeen's mother, Lula Etzel, an 83-year old Texas-born widow with no occupation listed. The 1940 U.S. Census does not show a listing for 2010 Kinney Avenue, the first house of Alex and Katholeen Weyand; it does show A.M. Weyand, Jr., and his wife, Inez, as the owners of the house at 2008 Kinney Avenue. A.M. Weyand, Jr. was 27, had been born in Texas, and was a rug and drapery installer for a department store. Inez Weyand was 25, had been born in Texas, and was a binder at a stationery and printing company. They had no children listed with them.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Elex [sic] and Kathleen Weyand as the renters of the house at 2503 Guadalupe Street in Austin. Alex M. Weyand was 55, had been born in Texas to Germanborn parents, and was a traveling salesman selling men's hats. Katholeen Weyand was 44, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 2 children: Alex M. Weyand, Jr., 17; and Alice M. Weyand, 14, both of whom had been born in Texas. They also had a n adopted daughter, Carleen Talley, 12, who had been born in New Mexico. The 1920 U.S. Census shows Alex and Catholine Weyand as the owners of their home in Carmine, Fayette County, Texas. Alex Weigand was a 34-year old Texas-born merchant with his own store; Catholine Weyand was 34, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 2 children, Alexander, and Alice May., as well as a niece, Carleen Talley. All of the children were young.

His 1918 World War I draft registration card shows that Alexander Martin Weyand was living in Carmine, Texas. He was born in March, 1875, and was a merchant in business for himself. His wife was Katholeen Weyand. He was of medium height and medium build, with brown eyes and black hair.

The 1910 U.S. Census shows A.M. and Kathaleen Weyand living in Fayette County, Texas, where he was a merchant.

Alexander Martin Weyand's 1959 death certificate shows that he was living in this house at the time of his death, and had lived there for 34 years. He was born in Carmine, Texas, and was a salesman for Dittlinger Flour Mills.

A. M. WEYAND Alexander Martin Weyand, of 2007 Oxford Avenue, died at his norme sunday morning. had been a resident of Austin 34 He was a member of vears. St. John's Lutheran Church, and was a member of the church brotherhood. He is survived by his wife. Mrs. Katholeen Weyand of Austin; two daughters, Mrs. Alice Mae Jowers and Mrs. Carleen Radicke, both of San An-Alex M two brothers, tonio: Weyand Jr. of Cedar Valley, and Max L. Weyand of Carmine; one sister, Mrs. W. L. Thomas of Wallace; eight grandchildren and one great grandchild. Funeral services will be held at Wilke-Clay Funeral Home Monday at 3 p. m. with Rev. C. L. Bohls officiating. Pallbearers will be W. H. Cobb, J. G. Hunter, Warren H. Wolff, Elmer Hoppe, George K. Jowers Jr. and Burial will be H. N. Radicke. in Capital Memorial Gardens.

Obituary of Alexander M. Weyand

Austin American, November 9, 1959

A. M. WEYAND Funeral services for Mr. Alexander M. Weyand were held Monday at Wilke-Clay Funeral Home with Rev. C. L. Bohls officiating. Pallbearers were W. H. Cobb, J. G. Hunter, Warren H. Wolff, Elmer Hoppe, George K. Jowers Jr. and H. N. Radicke. Burial was in Capitol Memorial Gardens.

Story on the funeral of Alexander M. Weyand Austin <u>American</u>, November 10, 1959

WEYAND. Mrs. Kathleen Oneta, 89, 2007 Oxford, died = Services 3 p.m. Saturday. Tuesday Willice-Clav Funeral Home Survivors: daughters. Mrs. Alice Mae Jowers of Austin, Mrs. Herbert (Carleen) San Radicke đ Antonio: son, Alex M. Weyand of Kerrville: sister, Mrs. Vistula Weatherly of Houston: eight grandchildren; great-grandchildren: several nieces and nephews.

Obituary of Katholeen Weyand Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, September 1, 1975

Alex M. Weyand Alex M. Weyand, age 81, of Austin died January 17, 1994. Mr. Weyand is survived by his wife, Inez Weyand, of Austin; son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Ritha Weyand, of Kerrville; daughter and son-in-law, Diane and Richard Bowen, of Dripping Springs; grandchildren, Bonnie O'Neal, Cindy Meredith, Shann Weyand; great-grandchildren, Jason O'Neal, James Meredith Jr., Desiree

Meredith; sisters, Alice Jowers and Carleen Gillian, both of San Antonio. Funeral services will be held 1:00 PM, January 18, 1994, at Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Chapel, with Reverend James W. Abington officiating. Interment will follow at Cook-Walden/ Forest Oaks Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be Gene Rowell, George Bryant, Dennis O'Neal, Jeff Jowers, George Jowers and Brad Jowers.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lutheran Outdoor Retreat Ministries, Camp Chrysalis, P.O. Box 140032, Austin, Texas 78746, or the Bannockburn Baptist Church Building Fund, 7100 Brodie Lane, Austin, Texas 78745.

Arrangements by Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Funeral Home, 6300 W. William Cannon Drive. 892-1172

Obituary of Alex Weyand, Jr. Austin American-Statesman, January 18, 1994

Alice Jowers

Obituary

With a song in her heart, Alice Mae Jowers passed peacefully from this life to the next on April 14, 2014. Born in Carmine Texas on March 21, 1916, Alice was preceded in death by her parents Alex and Katholeen Weyand, her husband George Jowers Jr., her brother Alex M. Weyand Jr. and wife Inez, sister Carleen Radicke and husband Herbert, sisters-in-law Polly Bradley and Rena Lynn, as well as dear friend and fellow Wedgewood resident Irene Stokes. Alice Mae is survived by her son George Jowers III and wife Jocelyn, Jeffrey W. Jowers and wife Sherrie, Brad Jowers Sr. and wife Hellen, seven grandchildren: George IV, Sean, Kendra, Chad, Scott, Brad Jr., and Jeffrey Jason Jowers, 14 great grandchildren, and countless nieces and nephews. All held a special place in Alice's heart. Alice grew up in Austin Texas where she graduated from Austin High and attended the University of Texas. There she met and married George, the love of her life, who died an untimely death at the age of 48. Alice carried on as a career mom and successfully completed the raising of their three sons. Her retirement years were spent at the Wedgewood where she entertained regularly preparing legendary meals for family and friends. An accomplished pianist she managed the kitchen as well as the entertainment with remarkable skill. Life there was a celebration, and Alice was both chef and chanteuse. The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the Town and Country Manor in Boerne, Texas and Alamo Hospice for their love and care.

> Obituary of Alice Jowers San Antonio <u>Express-News</u>, April 20, 2014

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Building permit to A.M. Weyand for a frame addition (1939)

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Sewer connection application by A.M. Weyand for this house (1943)

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House at 2010 Kinney Avenue, which the Weyands built before building the house on Oxford Avenue. This house has been approved for a partial demolition permit for the construction of a second-story addition.

D.10 - 13



House at 2008 Kinney Avenue, which was owned and occupied by the Weyands' son, Alex M. Weyand, Jr.