

Neighbors Support Commission Concept to Save 3800 Balcones Drive

Austin Historic Landmark Commission
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Dear Chair and Members of the Commission,

The undersigned neighbors of the residence at 3800 Balcones Drive support the action of staff and the Commission to carry out an additional engineering study to explore the feasibility of preserving the historic character portion of the home. Hopefully, that course can save this distinctive Roland Roessner Mid Century Modern landmark from total demolition while enabling the applicant to rebuild a large space portion of the structure.

We were surprised to learn that the Preservation Office was forced to turn to the applicant to select and pay an expert to carry out this analysis, due to lack of funding. There should be agreement that this is a glaring flaw in the process that cries for remediation.

That issue aside, we appreciate the extra effort to find a solution that maintains the historical essence of the property. That outcome would be applauded by all who prize the architectural significance of this Roessner creation and its important contribution to the character of our neighborhood. We urge the Commission to continue to pursue this objective.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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