

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JANUARY 25, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2015-1172
2112 HOLLY STREET**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1925 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, pyramidal roofed-frame house with a partial-width inset porch; single 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house appears to have been built around 1925 as a rental property. The first known tenants were Claude and Carrie Elam, who lived in a number of houses in the neighborhood during the 1920s and 1930s. They are listed as the renters of this house in the 1929 city directory, then moved out, and then Carrie Elam is listed as the owner of the house in the early 1930s. Claude Elam was a teamster and truck driver. Later in life, he had a rock business for building construction. Carrie Elam did not have an occupation listed in any city directory.

Since the occupancy of the Elams, the house has had a high turnover in tenants, including laborers and an auto body man. In the late 1950s, the house was purchased by Ramon and Maria Vasquez. He was a machinist and sawyer for a cabinet factory. The house was then rented to others until around 1980, when Bobby Vasquez is listed as the tenant. It is not clear if Bobby Vasquez was the son of Ramon and Maria Vasquez. He and his wife lived here through the 1990s.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is listed in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984) but without a priority for research.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

While a typical example of a vernacular cottage style of the 1920s, the house does not have the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual as a historic landmark. Staff recommends release of 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.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

CASE#: HDP-2015-1172
Address: 2112 HOLLY STREET

1" = 200'

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