# HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION JUNE 27, 2016 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2016-0396 4531 AVENUE F

# PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1938 house.

### ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, front-gabled frame bungalow with a partial-width partiallyinset front-gabled porch on plain, square wood posts; single 1:1 fenestration; artificial siding.

### RESEARCH

The house was built in 1938 by H.W. Sauer as a rental property. The first tentants were Arthur W. and Cressa Larson, who lived here until around 1940. Arthur W. Larson was a high line operator. Max Meier, a carpenter, and his wife, Emma, rented the house in the early 1940s; Troy and Berneice Moon rented it in the mid-1940s. Troy Moon was in the U.S. Army at the time he and Berneice rented this house.

The house was purchased around 1946 by Marvin A. and Ruth McCoy, who lived here until around 1950, and again in the early 1980s. The McCoys had lived in Waco in 1940 where he was a barber and she worked as a clerk for a wholesale drug company. While living in this house in Austin, he was a claims examiner for the Texas Employment Commission.

From around 1950 until around 1969, the house was first rented, then owned by Samuel Claud McCullough, and his wife, Lydia Robertson McCullough. The McCulloughs ran a grocery and service station on Georgetown Road prior to moving into this house; he was listed as a salesman while living here. The house has been a rental property since around 1970.

### STAFF COMMENTS

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

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, then relocation over demolition, but 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. While the house does not meet the requirements for individual designation as a historic landmark, it is an intact example of a late 1930s bungalow that represents working- to middle-class housing, especially in the North Hyde Park area, and should be retained if at all possible.

# LOCATION MAP



# 4531 Avenue F ca. 1938



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 4531 Avenue F

City Directory Research, Austin History Center By City Historic Preservation Office June, 2016

1992	Thomas Thornton, renter No occupation listed			
1985-86	Carla Harrell, renter No occupation listed NOTE: The directory indicates that Carla Harrell was a new resident at this address.			
1981	Marvin A. McCoy, renter No occupation listed			
1977	Vacant			
1973	David L. Burger, renter No occupation listed			
1968	Samuel C. and Lydia R. McCullough, owners Retired			
1965	Samuel C. and Lydia R. McCullough, renters Salesman			

1962	Samuel C. and Lydia R. McCullough, renters Salesman		
1959	Samuel C. and Lydia R. McCullough, renters No occupation listed		
1955	Samuel C. and Lydia R. McCullough, renters Salesman		
1952	S. Claud and Lydia R. McCullough, renters Salesman NOTE: Marvin A. and Ruth C. McCoy are listed at 4010 Avenue G; he was an examiner for the Texas Employment Commission; she was the office manager for the Texas Public Employees Association.		
1949	Marvin A. and Ruth McCoy, owners Senior claims examiner, Texas Employment Commission NOTE: Samuel C. and Lydia R. McCullough are not listed in the directory.		
1947	Marvin A. and Ruth McCoy, owners Claims examiner, State Unemployment Compensation Commission		
1944-45	Troy T. and Berneice Moon, renters U.S. Army NOTE: Marvin A. McCoy (Ruth is not listed) lived at 804 Norwalk Lane; he was in the U.S. Marine Corps.		
1941	Max O. and Emma Meier, renters Carpenter		
1939	Arthur W. and Cressa Larson, renters High line operator		
1937	The address is not listed in the directory. NOTE: Arthur W. and Cressa Larson are not listed in the directory.		

### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:**

### Marvin A. and Ruth McCoy (ca. 1946 – ca. 1950 and ca. 1980 – ca. 1983)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Marvin A. and Ruth McCoy as the renters of an apartment in Waco, Texas. Marvin A. McCoy was 31, had been born in Texas, and was a barber. Ruth McCoy was 26, had been born in Texas and was a clerk for a wholesale drug company. They had no children listed with them.

### Samuel Claud and Lydia R. McCullough (ca. 1950 – ca. 1969)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Claud and Lydia McCullough as the owners of the house at 5608 Georgetown Road; that house was worth \$700. Claud McCullough was 46, had been born in Texas, and was the proprietor of a grocery and filing station. Lydia McCullough was 48, had been born in Texas, and was a grocery clerk in a grocery store. They had lived in rural Travis County in 1935. They had no children listed with them.

The 1920 U.S. Census shows Sam C. and Lydia R. McCullough as the renters of a farm near Cameron Road in rural Travis County. Sam McCullough was 25, had been born in Texas, and was a farmer. Lydia R. McCullough was 27, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation

listed. They had a daughter, Lois, 2. The family also had a boarder, Robert Day, 16, who had been born in Texas and was a student at Austin High School.

SAMUEL C. MeCHILOUCH Samuel Claud McCullough, 75, 4531 Ave. F, died in a local hospital Saturday, McCullough had been a lifetime resident of Austin. He was a member of First Methodist Church, Hill City Masonic Lodge No. 456 A.F. & A.M., Austin Scottish Rite Bodies and Ben Hur Shrine'. He was a retired grocer. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Lyda Robertson McCullough, Austin; two daughters, Mrs. Leanora Dyer, Austin, and Mrs. Lois Douglas, Austin; two grandchildren, K. Scott Douglas, Austin, and Mrs. Claudette Hargrave, Hudson, N.H.; two great-grandchildren; brother, Charley B. McCullough, Austin: sister, Mrs. Mary Ashmore, Boling.

Funeral will be at 2:00 p.m. Monday at Weed-Corley Funeral Home with Rev. B. C. Schmidt officiating. Burial will be in the Hornsby Bend Cemetery, under auspices of Hill City Masonie Lodge No. 456.

A called meeting of Hill City Lodge No. 456, Lodge of Sorrow, will be at 2 p.m. Monday, at the funeral home for paying last respects to and conducting funeral for McCullough.

Obituary of Samuel Claud McCullough Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, December 7, 1969

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# SAMUEL C. MCCULLOUGH

Funeral for Samuel Claud McCullough, 75, 4531 Avenue F. who died in a local hospital Saturday, will be Monday at 2 at Weed-Corley Funeral p.m. -Home Rev B. C. Schmidt officiating. Burial will he in Hornsby Bend Cemetery under auspices of Hill City Masonic Lodge\_No. 456. Pallbearers will he Juel Jones, Virgil McCullough, Robert McCullough. Frankie McCullough. Luther Allen and

Richard McCullough.

Funeral notice for Samuel Claud McCullough Austin <u>American</u>, December 8, 1969

McCULLOUGH, Lydia R., 89, of Austin, died Sunday. Graveside services 2 p.m. Tuesday at Hornsby Bend Cemetery. Visitation 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at Weed-Corley Funeral Home. Survivors: daughters, Leanora Dyer, Lois Douglas, both of Austin; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

> Death notice for Lydia R. McCullough Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, March 16, 1981

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Sewer connection application by H.W. Sauer for this address (1938)