

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
JULY 25, 2016  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
HDP-2016-0436  
2500 S. 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

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**PROPOSAL**

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Demolish a ca. 1947 house.

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**ARCHITECTURE**

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One-story, rectangular-plan, front-gabled frame cottage with a central, partial-width front-gabled independent porch on metal supports; single and paired 2:2 aluminum-framed fenestration.

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**RESEARCH**

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The house was built in 1947; the first owner and occupant was Katherine Bernard, who lived here until her death in 1964. Katherine Bernard was a divorcee who had moved to Austin from Granger, Texas; she had no occupation listed while she lived in this house. The house was a rental property until the early 1970s, when it was owned and occupied by Mary Dias, a maid. Around 1975, the house was occupied by Domingo and Mary S. Morales. Domingo Morales was a marble finisher. They lived here until around 1990.

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**STAFF COMMENTS**

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The house does not appear in any City survey.

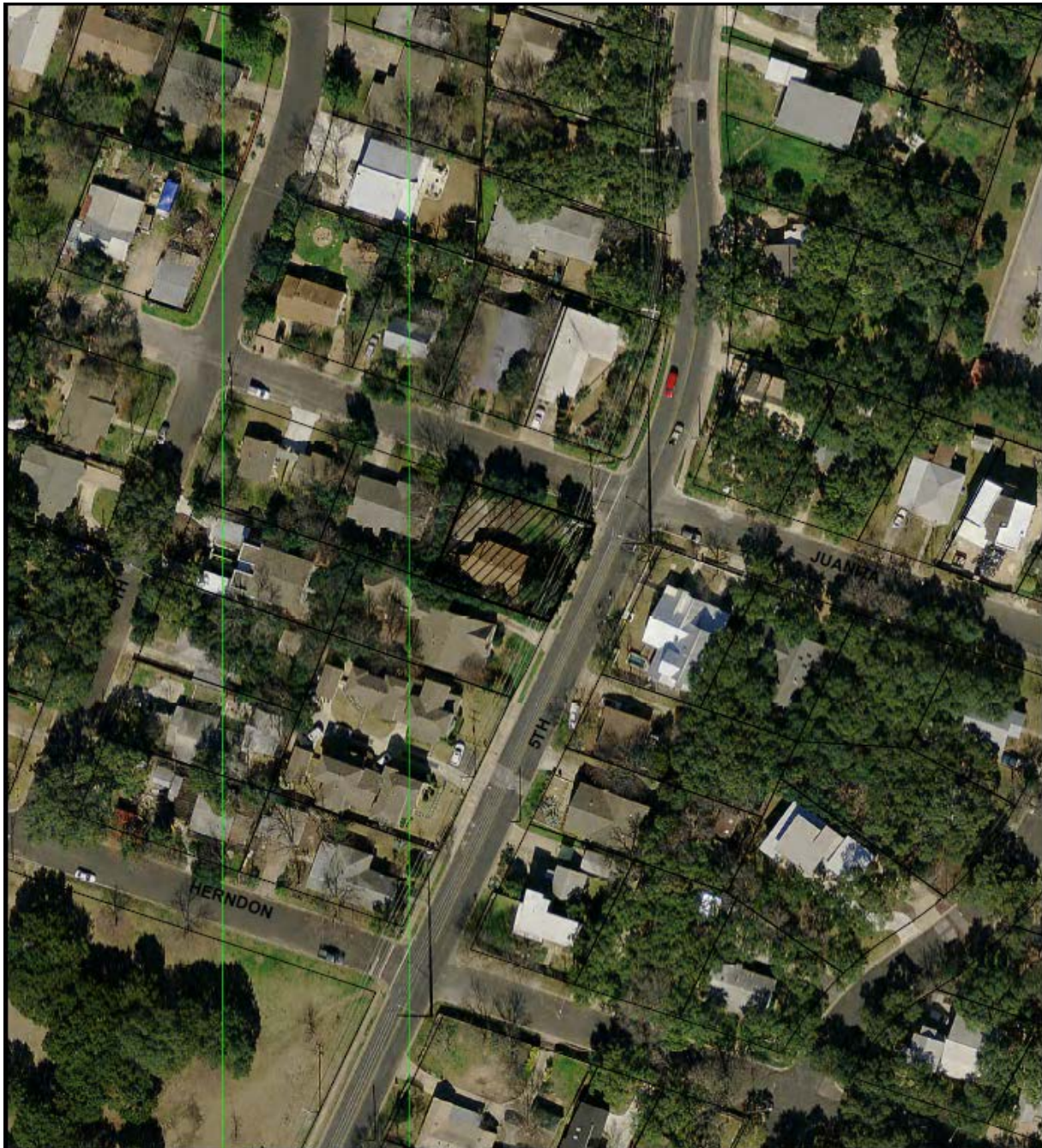
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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, 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. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical associations to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

## LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

1" = 89'

## NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2016-0436

LOCATION: 2500 S. 5th Street

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2500 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
ca. 1947



## OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2500 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street

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

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| 1992   | Simon Y. Rodriguez, renter<br>No occupation listed<br>NOTE: The directory indicates that Simon Y. Rodriguez was a new resident at this address.  |
| 1985-6 | Domingo and Mary S. Morales, owners<br>Marble finisher, JV Marble, 305 Industrial Boulevard.   |
| 1981   | Domingo and Mary S. Morales (not listed as owners)<br>Marble finisher, JV Marble, 305 Industrial Boulevard.  |
| 1977   | Domingo and Mary S. Morales, owners<br>Proprietor, Casa Morales, restaurant, 1510 E. 1 <sup>st</sup> Street.<br>NOTE: The directory indicates that Domingo and Mary S. Morales were new residents at this address. |
| 1973   | Mary Diaz, owner<br>Maid<br>NOTE: Domingo and Mary S. Morales are not listed in the directory.   |

- 1968 John and Mary Diaz, renters  
No occupation listed
- 1965 William and Beverly Teasdale, renters  
Operator, Terminix, pest control, 1206 Parkway.  
No occupation listed
- 1962 Katherine Bernard, owner  
No occupation listed  
Also listed is Clyde Bernard, Jr., U.S. Air Force.
- 1959 Katherine Bernard, owner  
No occupation listed  
Also listed is Clyde Bernard, Jr., U.S. Air Force.
- 1955 Katherine Bernard, owner  
No occupation listed
- 1952 Katherine Bernard, owner  
No occupation listed
- 1949 Dorothy Bernard, renter  
Waitress, H&N Grill, 2101 S. Congress Avenue.  
NOTE: Katherine Bernard is not listed in the directory.  
NOTE: The house is not listed in the address cross-reference section of the directory.  
NOTE: Dorothy Bernard was Katherine Bernard's daughter.
- 1947 The address is not listed in the directory.  
NOTE: Neither Katherine nor Dorothy Bernard are listed in the directory.

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

### **Katherine Bernard (ca. 1950 – ca. 1964)**

The 1920 U.S. Census shows Clyde and Kattie Bernard living in a house they owned in Granger, Texas. Clyde Bernard was 31, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. Kattie Bernard was 19, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had no children listed with them.

In 1933, Clyde Bernard was serving a 5-year sentence in Huntsville for murder. He was 47, 5'7" tall, and weighed 136. He had red hair and blue eyes. He was a Baptist. He was born in 1886 in Texas to Kentucky-born parents, and was a stockman. His last residence was Taylor, Texas. He was granted a conditional pardon from Governor Ferguson, and released from prison in 1937.

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Katherine Bernard residing on the campus of the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, where she was a supervisor. She was a 39-year old Texas-born divorcee who had lived in Williamson County, Texas in 1935. The same 1940 U.S. Census shows Dorothy Mae Bernard and Clyde Bernard, Jr. living in the home of their grandparents, C.B. and Mary Alice Gauntt, in Granger, Texas. Dorothy Mae Bernard was 18, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. Clyde Bernard, Jr. was 16, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed.. Their grandparents were both born in Tennessee. C.B. Gauntt was 72, and was a laborer in the school yard. Mary Alice Gauntt was 67, and had no occupation listed.

According to her 1964 death certificate, Katherine Bernard was born in Taylor, Texas in 1900 and was divorced. He is listed as a housewife. She was living in this house at the time of her death.

Clyde Bernard died at a Taylor nursing home in 1970. He was living in Thorndale, Texas at the time of his death, and was a farmer.

**MRS. KATHERINE BERNARD**  
**Funeral for Mrs. Katherine Bernard, 64, of 2500 South Fifth Street, will be Sunday at 2 p.m. at Condra Funeral Home in Taylor. Burial will be in Taylor City Cemetery. Mrs. Bernard died Friday in an Austin hospital. She had been an Austin resident for 17 years, coming here from Granger.**  
**She is survived by a son, Clyde Bernard, Granger; two daughters, Mrs. Doris Gorsuch and Mrs. Dorothy Slusler, Granger; four grandchildren and a great grandchild.**  
**Members of Woodmen of the World lodge will serve as pallbearers.**

Funeral notice for Katherine Bernard  
 Austin American-Statesman, August 29, 1964

**MRS. KATHERINE BERNARD**  
**TAYLOR — Funeral for Mrs. Katherine Bernard, 64, a resident of Austin the last 17 years, will be Sunday at 2 p.m. at Condra Funeral Home with burial in Taylor City Cemetery.**  
**Mrs. Bernard had resided in Granger before moving to Austin.**

Funeral notice for Katherine Bernard  
 Austin American-Statesman, August 30, 1964

**Domingo and Mary S. Morales (ca. 1975 – ca. 1990)**

Domingo and Mary S. Morales were married January 1, 1976 and divorced March 17, 1994 in Travis County. Domingo Morales was born in 1941.

2500 S. 5th St. **WATER SERVICE PERMIT** No. **03215**  
 Austin, Texas  
 Received of **JLE EDGAR** Date **5-2-47**  
 Address **LOT 7 Bk. C LA PERLA ADDITION, AND SOUTH S**  
 Amount **TWENTY AND NO/100** \$ **20.00**  
 Plumber **?** Size of Tap **3/4"**  
 Date of Connection **6-13-97**  
 Size of Tap Made **3/4"**  
 Size Service Made **1"**  
 Size Main Tapped **2" C-I**  
 From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock  
 From **5** Prop. Line to Curb Cock **15'**  
 Location of Meter  
 Type of Box **Lock**  
 Depth of Main in St. **2'**  
 Depth of Service Line **11'**  
 From Curb Cock to Tap on Main **7'**  
 Checked by Engr. Dept. **1-11-47 HS**

No. Fittings	Size	Material
1	3/4"	Curb Cock
1	3/4"	Elbow
		St. Elbow
		Bushing
		Reducer
9	3/4"	Pipe
		Lead Comp.
		Nipples
1	3/4"	Union
		Plug
		Tee
		Stop
		Box
		Lid
		Valves
		Job No. <b>11323-502</b>
		Req. No. <b>Brenold</b>

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Water service permit for this address (1947)

OWNER **Morales Maria** ADDRESS **2500 S. 5th St.**  
 PLAT **373** LOT **7** BLK. **C**  
 SUBDIVISION **La Perla Sub**  
 OCCUPANCY **Res.**  
 BLDG. PERMIT # **177298** DATE **11-2-78** OWNERS **6300.00**  
 ESTIMATE  
 CONTRACTOR **Vincent Terrer** NO. OF FIXTURES  
 WATER TAP REC# SEWER TAP REC#  
 Remodel & repair exist res.

Building permit to Mary S. Morales for remodeling and repairs (1978)