

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2016-0560
2012 ARPDAL STREET**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1950 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, hipped-roof, L-plan frame house with single and paired 1:1 fenestration; metal awnings over the front windows, partial-width, flat-roofed entry cover.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1950 for Clyde and Virginia Johnson, who lived here until around 1966. Clyde Johnson was a switchman for the telephone company. The house was then purchased by Chris and Janie Sosa, who lived here for the rest of their lives. Chris Sosa was a venetian blinds installer for Dills-Challstrom, an old Austin company.

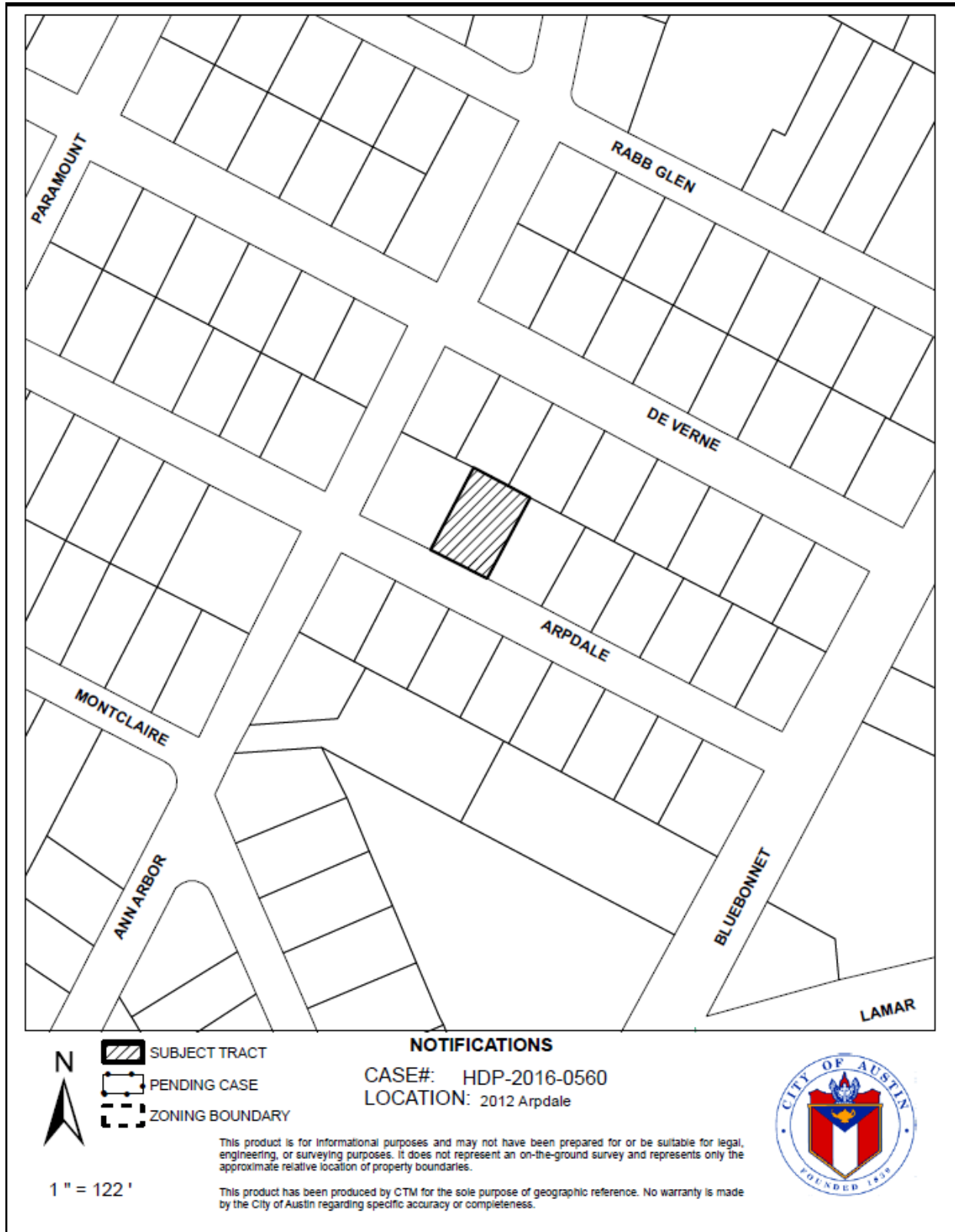
STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the bounds of any City survey to date.

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. The house has neither the architectural nor the historical significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



2012 Arpdale Street
ca. 1950



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
2012 Arpdale Street

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

1992	Chris A. and Janie M. Sosa, owners Interior installer
1985-86	Chris A. and Janie M. Sosa, owners Window decorator
1981	Chris A. and Janie M. Sosa, owners Window decorator
1977	Chris A. and Janie M. Sosa, owners Installer, Dills Challstrom, venetian blinds, 312 Barton Springs Road.
1973	Chris A. and Janie M. Sosa, owners Installer, Dills Challstrom, venetian blinds, 312 Barton Springs Road.
1968	Chris A. and Janie M. Sosa, owners Installer, Dills Challstrom, venetian blinds, 312 Barton Springs Road.
1965	Clyde E. and Virginia H. Johnson, owners Switchman, Telephone Company

NOTE: Chris A. and Janie Sosa are listed at 3103 Fontana Drive; he was an installer for Dills Challstrom, venetian blinds, 312 Barton Springs Road.

- 1962 Clyde E. and Virginia H. Johnson, owners
Switchman, Telephone Company
- 1959 Clyde E. and Virginia H. Johnson, owners
Switchman, Telephone Company
- 1955 Clyde E. and Virginia H. Johnson, owners
Switchman, Telephone Company
- 1952 Clyde E. and Virginia H. Johnson, owners
No occupation listed
- 1949 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Clyde E. and Virginia Johnson are listed at 108 Academy Drive,
Apartment 3; he was a cable splicer.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Clyde E. and Virginia H. Johnson (ca. 1950 – ca. 1966)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Clyde E. Johnson stationed at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. He was 19, had been born in Texas, and is listed as a soldier in the U.S. Army. He had lived in rural Blanco County, Texas in 1935.

Clyde E. Johnson -

Clyde E. Johnson, 75, of Austin, a resident for 52 years, died Monday, October 14, 1996.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by his father, Willie Roy Johnson in 1962.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Hare Johnson of Austin; mother, Jewell Johnson of Marble Falls, Texas; sons and daughters-in-law, Scott Johnson of Austin, Nancy Johnson of Doss, Texas, and Timothy and Terri Johnson of Arlington, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Carrie and Doc Hays of Austin; grandsons, Chris and Patrick Hays of Austin; granddaughters, Melissa Sauer and her husband Russell of Fredericksburg, Emily Johnson of Austin, Jessica and Julie Johnson, both of Arlington; great-grandson, Caleb Sauer; great-granddaughters, Emmy Sauer of Fredericksburg, and Paytlyn Johnson of Austin; brothers and sisters in-law, Bill and Lucile Johnson of Buda, and Bobby and Nancy Johnson of Austin; sister and brother in-law, Jane and Roger Taylor of Marble Falls; brothers-in-law, Bill and Sandra Hare of Bertram, Charles and Cile Hare of Austin, Clyde and Mary Ann Berry of Longview, and Eric and Joy Blomberg of Manor; father and mother-in-law, Charlie and Mable Hare of Austin; eight cousins and 21 nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Wednesday for visitation at Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Funeral Home where funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, October 17, 1996, with Mr. Joseph Meador of Southwest Church of Christ officiating. Interment services follow in Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Memorial Park.

Obituary of Clyde E. Johnson
Austin American-Statesman, October 16, 1996



Chris A. Sosa

Chris A. Sosa, age 64, a life-time resident of Austin, passed away July 17, 1995.

Survivors include his wife, Janie Sosa of Austin; sons, Xavier Sosa of San Antonio, Roy Sosa, David Sosa and Rick Sosa, all of Austin; daughters-in-law, Wilma, Lillie and Donna Sosa; brothers, Marvin Sosa, Y.G. Sosa, Ben Sosa, all of Austin; sisters, Frances Alvarez, Lenora Towns, Lupe Amato, all of Austin, Louise Solis of New Braunfels; seven grandchildren, one great-grandson.

Rosary will be 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Wilke-Amey-Clay Funeral Home. Funeral Mass will be 10:00 a.m. Thursday at San Jose Catholic Church with Reverend Le-Minh Pham officiating. Burial will follow in Assumption Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Rudy Camarillo, Ayub Mokarzel, Alfonso Zapata, Lupe Lafuenta, John "Smoke" Amato and Alfred Calvo.

Services under the direction of Wilke-Amey-Clay Funeral Home, 2620 S. Congress.

Obituary of Chris Sosa
Austin American-Statesman, July 19, 1995

Janie Martinez Sosa



Janie Martinez Sosa Janie Martinez Sosa was born December 6, 1931. She was 79 years old, preceded in death by husband, Chris Sosa, parents, Mack G. and Nellie Martinez, and sister, Lena Pacheco. Janie is survived by her brother Mack G. Martinez II and wife Vera; sisters Virginia Garza and husband Mike, Sylvia Garcia and husband Louis; four sons, Xavier and wife, Wilma, Roy Sosa, David Sosa, Rick and wife, Donna. She was also loved and admired by her eight grandchildren, Celina Makinsi, Isaac and Blake Sosa, Christopher and Brandon Sosa, Amber and husband, Clayton Barnett, Eric and Stephen Sosa. Janie's great-grandchildren are Allura Sosa; Andrew Sosa and Jace Sosa. Janie graduated from Austin High School in 1949 and retired from the Department of Human Services after 28 years of dedicated service.

Words can not express the devotion given and enjoyment received from volunteering at the South Austin Senior Citizen Center and San Jose Catholic Church. She enjoyed many activities but particularly dancing, watching her boys play baseball, playing dominos, and crocheting. She had the gift of gab and was a remarkable storyteller. She was an avid bowler and taught her sons to appreciate the game. Family and education were extremely important to her. She loved spending time around her four sons and inspired them to pursue degrees in higher education. The family extends their gratitude to Angel Heart Hospice and the nurses and staff at Carestone Assisted Living Center for the loving care and support they provided to Janie. Recitation of Holy Rosary will be at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, at Mission Funeral Home Serenity Chapel 6204 South First Street. Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, at San Jose Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Assumption Cemetery.

Obituary of Janie Sosa
Austin American-Statesman, April 14, 2011

Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Johnson 2012 Arpdale Street
 232 W. 70' of Shelby Stiles 1-Ac. - - -

Frame residence with carport attached.

44542 5-15-50

\$7000.00

Howard Douglas Lbr. Co.

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Building permit to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Johnson for the construction of this house (1950)

W 70' of Shelby Stiles 1 ac.

WATER SERVICE PERMIT C No. ¹³² 6731
 Austin, Texas

Received of *HOWARD - DOUGLAS LBR CO* **INDEXED**
SW II Address *2012 ARPDAL ST* Date *5-15-50*
 Amount *TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS* *20,000*
 Plumber *BURLESON PLBR* Size of Tap *3/4"*

Date of Connection *8-16-50*
 Size of Tap Made *3/4"*
 Size Service Made *1"*
 Size Main Tapped *2" C-I*
 From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock
 From *E* Prop. Line to Curb Cock
 Location of Meter
 Type of Box *LOC 15*
 Depth of Main in St. *20"*
 Depth of Service Line *20"*
 From Curb Cock to Tap on Main *35'*
 Checked by *R.W.* Dept. *8-27-50*

No. Fittings	Size	
1	Curb Cock <i>3/4"</i>	
1	Elbow <i>3/4" 90°</i>	
	St. Elbow	
	Bushing	
	Reducer	
	Pipe <i>3/4" 37.5'</i>	
	Lead Comp.	
	Nipples	
	Plug <i>3/4" 1"</i>	
	Stop <i>2 x 3/4" Tapping 15/16"</i>	
	Box	
	Lid	
	Valves <i>6 1/2" x 1"</i>	
	Job No. <i>W 323-502</i>	
	P. & Q. No.	

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Water service permit to Howard-Douglas Lumber Company for this address (1950)

Clyde Johnson 2012 Arpdale St.

232 W.70' of Shelby Stiles Tract

unplatted

Frame add'n to residence & Remodle

78850

2-23-61

2000.00

Jackson & Cullen

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DEN Enclose CP to create den Take down some inside partitions & repaint.

Building permit to Clyde Johnson to enclose the carport (1961)

OWNER	Chris Sosa	ADDRESS	2012 Arpdale St.
PLAT	232	LOT	W.70' of Shelby Stiles Tr.
SUBDIVISION	Unplatted		
OCCUPANCY	Duplex		
BLDG. PERMIT #	180533	DATE	3-27-79
		OWNERS ESTIMATE	2,000.00
CONTRACTOR	Owner	NO. OF FIXTURES	
WATER TAP REC#	SEWER TAP REC#		
Addn to res to create Duplex & remodel			

Building permit to Chris Sosa for an addition (1979)