

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2016-0552
609 TILLERY STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1956 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, front-gabled stuccoed frame house with single 2:2 horizontally-configured fenestration; the full-width independent, shed-roofed front porch has been removed from the house.

RESEARCH

There are listings in the city directories for this address in the early 1950s, but they reference a vacant house. City building permits show a 1956 construction date. The house was first owned by Steve and Connie Castillo in the late 1950s and early 1960s; he was a driver for the City Sewer Division and she was a packer for Leonard East Produce Company, a wholesale poultry business, and later a fountain woman at Robert Chambers' restaurant on the Drag. Steve Castillo is listed here until around 1960; Connie Castillo is listed here until the mid-1960s. The house was then owned and occupied by Cruz, Jr. and Sulema Romo, who lived here until the mid-1970s. Cruz Romo, Jr. was a construction worker. He and Sulema divorced in Travis County in 1975. The house has been a rental property since that time.

STAFF COMMENTS

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

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Release the permit. The house has been significantly altered so documentation of its current appearance is not warranted.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2016-0552
LOCATION: 609 Tillery Street



1" = 161'

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609 Tillery Street
ca. 1956



Photo taken by City staff, August, 2016



Google Street View photo of the house, October, 2014

OCCUPANCY HISTORY 609 Tillery Street

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

- 1992 Oscar and Dora Romo, renters
Employed by Louis Shanks Furniture, 1011-1105 N. Lamar Boulevard, 2930 W. Anderson Lane, and 13805 Research Boulevard.
- 1985-86 Vacant
- 1981 Arthur Garcia, renter
Broom maker
- 1977 Cruz, Jr. and Sulema Romo, owners
Construction worker
NOTE: Cruz and Sulema Romo divorced in July, 1975. Both Cruz and Sulema Romo were estimated to have been born in 1943. Cruz Romo, Jr. remarried in 1990.
- 1973 Cruz, Jr. and Sulema Romo, owners
Construction worker
- 1968 Cruz, Jr. and Sulema Romo, owners
Construction worker
- 1965 Connie Castillo, owner
Fountain woman, Robert Chambers Company, restaurant, 2230 Guadalupe Street.
NOTE: Cruz, Jr. and Sulema Romo are listed at 730 Northwestern Avenue; he was a laborer.
- 1962 Connie Castillo, owner
Packer, L. East Produce Company, wholesale poultry, 706 E. 8th Street.
- 1960 Steve and Connie Castillo, owners
Driver, City Sewer Division
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Driver, City Sewer Division
- 1957 Vacant
NOTE: Steve and Connie Castillo are not listed in the directory.
- 1955 Vacant
- 1952 Vacant
- 1949 The address is not listed in the directory.

J. B. Hardin 609 Tillery St.
 270 7
 Corner Addn.
 Fr. Res. with
 63628 5-3-56 \$3,000.
 Owner

Building permit for the construction of this house (1956)

SANITARY SEWER SERVICE PERMIT
 Austin, Texas

No. 26665A ✓

Received of H.W. SAUER Date 11-28-56
 Address 609 TILLERY
 Amount TWENTY-FIVE AND 10/100 \$ 25.00
 Builder or Owner SAME Plumber Holland
 Lot 7 Block - Subdivision Commodore Plat No. 270

Date of Connection	<u>12-17-56</u>																				
By City	<u>2.5 H. OF SLL</u> ✓	No. Fittings	7	Pipe	6"	Price	1.98														
By Plumber		Pipe	1	Wyes	Branch 6"		1.10														
Checked By	<u>Lynn Starna</u>	Bends		Reducers																	
Size Main	<u>12"</u> Depth	Plugs		Sand			1.0														
Main Assign.	<u>10 1/2' F07d</u>	Gravel		Remix			1.0														
Stub Depth	<u>4</u> Prop. Line <u>2</u>	Stoppers		Castings																	
Stub Location	<u>6' S of SLL (8102)</u>	Other																			
Book No.	<u>B1873</u>	Labor:																			
Paving Cut	<u>OR 12-6-56 S.A.</u>	Truck																			
		Insulation																			
		Total																			

Sewer service permit for this address (1956)

3118183 2TMS

OWNER Cruz Romo ADDRESS 609 Tillery Street

PLAT 270 LOT 7 RIK ----

SUBDIVISION Comer Addition

OCCUPANCY Garage

BLD PERMIT # 103379 DATE 5-1-67 OWNERS ESTIMATE 75.00

CONTRACTOR owner NO. OF FIXTURES

WATER TAP REC # SEWER TAP REC #

Frame Accessory Building

288 sq.ft.

~~11-3-70-119695-frm addn to rear of residence 294 sq. ft.~~

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Building permit to Cruz Romo, Jr. for a frame accessory building (1967) and for a frame addition to the rear of the house (1970)