# HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION OCTOBER 24, 2016 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2016-0694 4406 BELLVUE AVENUE

### **PROPOSAL**

Demolish a ca. 1947 house.

#### ARCHITECTURE

One-story, wing-and-gable-plan front-and side-gabled frame house with wainscoting; extended eave covering for the front door; single and paired replacement 1:1 fenestration.

## RESEARCH

The house was built in 1947; the first owners and occupants were George G. and Anne E. Gropp, who lived here from around 1947 to around 1960. George and Anne Gropp had lived in Giddings, Texas in 1940, where George Gropp worked in the electrical trade. Upon moving to Austin, he was a driver for a local dairy, a carpenter, and a furniture refinisher for Sears.

In the 1960s, the house served as the office of the pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church on W. 45<sup>th</sup> Street. A teacher at Trinity Lutheran Church rented this house in the early 1970s. The house has been a rental property for most of the time since the 1970s, with tenants including a student and a waitress.

#### STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the bounds of any City survey.

### 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.





# NOTIFICATIONS

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1"=208'

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# 4406 Bellvue Avenue ca. 1947



# OCCUPANCY HISTORY 4406 Bellvue Avenue

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

1992 Julie Menard, renter

No occupation listed

NOTE: The directory indicates that Julie Menard was a new resident at this

address.

1985-86 Marcia Paul, renter

No occupation listed

NOTE: The directory indicates that Marcia Paul was a new resident at this

address.

1981 M. Bishop, renter

Waitress

NOTE: The directory indicates that M. Bishop was a new resident at this

address.

1977 Robert and Susan Simpson, renters

Student

NOTE: The directory indicates that Robert and Susan Simpson were new

residents at this address.

1973	Paulette Dittani, renter Teacher, Trinity Lutheran Church, 1207 W. 45 <sup>th</sup> Street. NOTE: The directory indicates that Paulette Dittani was a new resident at this address.
1968	Trinity Lutheran Church, pastor's office NOTE: Trinity Lutheran Church is at 1207 W.45 <sup>th</sup> Street.
1965	Trinity Lutheran Church pastor's office NOTE: Trinity Lutheran Church is at 1207 W.45 <sup>th</sup> Street.
1962	Trinity Lutheran Church pastor's office NOTE: Trinity Lutheran Church is at 1207 W.45 <sup>th</sup> Street.
1959	George G. and Anne E. Gropp, owners Serviceman, Sears, department store, 900-02 Congress Avenue.
1955	George G. and Anne E. Gropp, owners Furniture refinisher, Sears, department store, 900-02 Congress Avenue.
1952	George G. and Anne E. Gropp, owners Carpenter
1949	George G. and Anne E. Gropp, owners Driver, Superior Dairies, 600 E. 1 <sup>st</sup> Street. Also listed is W.L. Gropp, a frameman for the telephone company.
1947	The address is not listed in the directory.  NOTE: George G. and Anne E. Gropp are not listed in the directory.

### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:**

# George G. and Anne E. Gropp (ca. 1948 - ca. 1960)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows George and Annie Gropp as the renters of a house in Giddings, Texas. George Gropp was 32, had been born in Texas, and was an electrician in an electrical appliance store. Annie Gropp was 30, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 2 sons: Lloyd, 10; and George, 2. Both boys had been born in Texas. The family had lived in rural Lee County, Texas in 1935.

GROPP, George G., 71, of Elgin, died Saturday. Services 10:30 a.m. today at Grace Lutheran Church there. Burial, Capital Memorial Gardens in Austin. Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers. Survivors: wife, Annie E. Gropp of

Elgin; sons, William Gropp of Houston, George Gropp of San Antonio; daughter, Patricia Kathleen Geary of Houston; sisters, Paula Harms of Giddings, Olga Zoch of Houston; seven grandchildren. (Newby Funeral Home, Elgin)

Obituary of George G. Gropp Austin American-Statesman, August 21, 1979

# Anna E Gropp

This is in celebration of a loving Christian mother's graduation from this earth to be united with her Lord Jesus Christ and the family that preceded her in death Anna E. Gropp passed away November 26, 2004, and joined her husband, George G. Gropp; two sisters, Alvina Bohot and Lydia Schneider; five brothers, Eddie, Herman, August, Bill and Walter Symmank.

Ms. Gropp is survived by sons, Lloyd Gropp of Houston and George W. Gropp of Duncanville, daughter, Patricia Geary of Houston; seven grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren; and a number of nicces and nephews. The family will be receiving friends at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 30, 2004, and a funeral service will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 801 W. Ilth St. in Elgin, Texas Interment will follow at Cook-Walden Capital Parks in Austin, Texas

In lieu of the usual remembrances
the family asks memorials be made
to Grace Lutheran Church or Hous
ton Hospice

Obituary of Anna E. Gropp Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, November 29, 2004 C. E. Jackson 4406 Bellvue 87 19 2 -

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Sewer service permit for this address (1947)

The detached garage was remodeled in 2004.