HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION DECEMBER 19, 2016 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2016-0746 3409 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1958 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, front-gabled frame house with partial-width inset porch; single 2:2 horizontally-configured fenestration; attached carport; synthetic siding.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1958 (although a building permit dates from 1955) by Walter and Ada White. Walter White was a laborer turned carpenter who is listed in the 1992 city directory as the occupant of the house. He was retired after the mid-1970s. Walter and Ada White divorced in 1981 in Travis County; she is not listed with Walter White in city directories after 1980. She passed away in 1989.

The house is located in the Sam Huston Heights subdivision, platted by Charles Wendlandt, Jr., in 1936.

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. The house, while representing a unit of much-needed affordable housing, does not rise to the level of an individual landmark.



1 " = 167 '

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3409 Pennsylvania Avenue ca. 1958



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 3409 Pennsylvania Avenue

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

Walter and Ada White, owners

1965

1992	Walter White, owner No occupation listed
1985-86	Lottie M. Bell, owner Employed by Meals on Wheels NOTE: The directory indicates that Lottie M. Bell was a new resident at this address.
1981	Walter White, owner Retired
1977	Walter and Ada White, owners Retired
1973	Walter and Ada White, owners Carpenter
1968	Walter and Ada White, owners Carpenter

Carpenter

1961 Walter and Ada White (not listed as owners)

Laborer

No houses are listed on Pennsylvania east of Chestnut Avenue.

Walter and Ada White are not listed in the directory, nor in the directories of

1957, 1958, or 1959.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Walter and Ada White (ca. 1958 -

Walter and Ada White were married in April, 1955, and divorced September 11, 1981 in Travis County.

WHITE, Ada, 77, of Austin died Tuesday. Services 1 p.m. Tuesday at King-Tears Morturary. Buriai Capital Memorial Gardens.

Death notice for Ada White Austin American-Statesman, March 3, 1989

Walter White 3409 Pennsylvania Ave.

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Sam Houston Hts.

Fr. Res.

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Owner

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Building permit to Walter White for the construction of this house (1955) and for a frame addition (1972)

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CLOSET & SCREENED PORCH

Building permit to Walter White for a screened porch addition to the house (1960)