### HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION DECEMBER 19, 2016 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2016-0789 3602 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

### PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1960 house.

### ARCHITECTURE

One-story, side-gabled board-and-batten sided frame house with a central, partial-width front-gabled entry hood.

### RESEARCH

He appearance of this abandoned house makes it seem much older than a professed 1960 construction date, but city directories do not show any houses on this stretch of Pennsylvania Avenue prior to 1960. The house was the home of Rev. Leroy Wallace, the pastor of the Greater St. John Baptist Church, located at the end of the block on the corner of Greenwood Avenue. Rev. Wallace and his wife, Helen, lived here for the rest of their lives.

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

Release the permit. The house has been long-abandoned and has suffered major deterioration. It does not qualify as a historic landmark.

### LOCATION MAP



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# 3602 Pennsylvania Avenue ca. 1960



## OCCUPANCY HISTORY 3602 Pennsylvania Avenue

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

1992	Rev. Leroy Wallace, owner Pastor, Greater St. John's Baptist Church, 1181 Greenwood Avenue.
1985-86	Rev. Leroy Wallace, owner Retired
1981	Rev. Leroy Wallace, owner Retired
1977	Rev. Leroy Wallace, owner Retired
1973	Rev. Leroy and Helena Wallace, owners Pastor, Greater St. John's Baptist Church, 1181 Greenwood Avenue.
1968	Rev. Leroy and Helena Wallace, owners Pastor, Greater St. John's Baptist Church, 1181 Greenwood Avenue.
1965	Rev. Leroy and Helena Wallace, owners Pastor, Greater St. John's Baptist Church, 1181 Greenwood Avenue.

1961	Leroy Wallace, renter Laborer NOTE: Leroy Wallace is not listed as a reverend, nor is he listed with a wife.
1960	No houses are listed on Pennsylvania east of Chestnut Avenue

NOTE: Leroy Wallace is not listed in the directory.

### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:**

### Rev. Leroy and Helene Wallace (ca. 1960 – ca. 1996)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Leroy Wallace as the 39-year old son of James P. and Florida Wallace, who rented their house at 1510 E. 19<sup>th</sup> Street in Austin. Leroy Wallace was born in Texas, and did yard work at a private home. His father, James P. Wallace, 65, was born in Texas and did yard work at a private home. His mother, Florida Wallace, 58, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. Leroy had an older sister, Bertha Wright, 45, who had been born in Texas, and was a cook for a private family. There are two children listed in the census report under Leroy Wallace's name: Adelle, 15; and Maxine, 14. Both girls had been born in Texas and neither had an occupation shown.

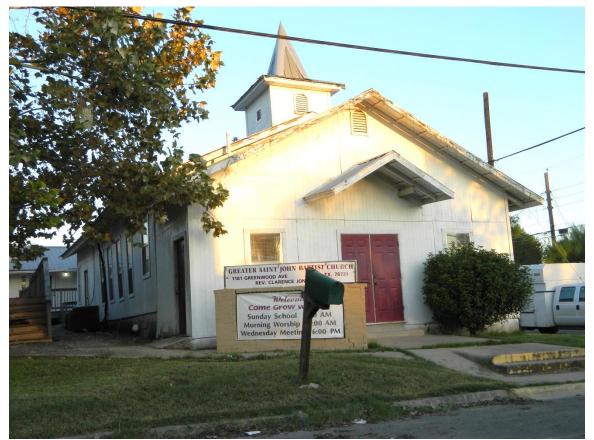
# WALLACE, Helen, 66, 3602 Pennsylvania, died Saturday. Services 3 p.m. Thursday at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. (Fuller-Sheffield)

Obituary of Helen Wallace Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, July 6, 1976

# WALLACE, Leroy, 95, of Austin died Saturday. Services 1 p.m. Thursday, Greater Union Baptist Church. Burial Evergipen Cemetery. Arrangements by Fuller-Sheffield.

Death notice for Leroy Wallace Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, August 28, 1996

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Greater St. John Baptist Church, 1181 Greenwood Avenue

OWNER Leroy Wallace	ADDRESS	<u>3602_P</u>	ennsylvania		
PLAT 337 LOT	14		BI.K		
SUBDIVISION Sam Huston Hts.					
OCCUPANCY Frame Ad	ldn to R <sub>o</sub> s				
<u></u>	DATE 5-26-64	OWNERS ESTIMATE	200.00		
CONTRACTOR Owner		NO. OF FIX	TURES		
WATER TAP REC # SEWER TAP REC #					
BEDROOM - Enlarge existing bedroom					

Building permit to Leroy Wallace for a frame addition (1964)