HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION DECEMBER 19, 2016 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2016-0856 4000 E. 12TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1953 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, front-gabled frame house with a partial-width, front-gabled entry porch; windows are boarded over but appear to be 1:1.

RESEARCH

The first owners and occupants of this ca. 1953 house were Bonner and Geneva Harden, who lived here for the rest of their lives. Bonner Harden grew up in Caldwell County, Texas, and was a farmer there before moving to Austin in the early 1950s. He is listed as a kitchen worker and cook at the Delwood Cafeteria in the 1950s and early 1960s, then as a yardman until around 1970, when he retired. He passed away in 1986, and his son, Roosevelt Harden was listed as the occupant of the house in the early 1990s.

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.





NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2016-0856 LOCATION: 4000 E. 12th Street

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1"=155'

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4000 E. 12th Street ca. 1953



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 4000 E. 12th Street

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

| 1992 | Roosevelt Harden, rente | r |
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No occupation listed

NOTE: The directory indicates that Roosevelt Harden was a new resident at this

address.

1985-86 Bonner Harden, renter

Retired

1981 Bonner Harden, owner

Retired

1977 Bonner Harden, owner

Retired

1973 Bonner Harden, owner

No occupation listed

1968 Bonner and Geneva Harden, owners

Yardman

1965 Bonner and Geneva Harden, owners

Yardman

1961 Bonner and Geneva Harden, owners

Cook, Delwood Cafeteria, 3929 East Avenue.

1957 Bonner and Geneva Harden, owners

Laborer

Also listed are Roosevelt and Ada Harden; he was a delivery man for Currie

Office Supply, 421 W. 6th Street.

1955 Birna and Geneva Harden, owners

Kitchen helper, Delwood Cafeteria, 3929 East Avenue. NOTE: The house is listed as 4200 E. 12th Street.

1953 The address is not listed in the directory.

NOTE: Bonner and Geneva Harden are not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Bonner and Geneva Harden (ca. 1953 – ca. 1986)

His 1917 World War I draft registration card shows that Bonner Harden was living at Creedmoor, Texas. He had been born in Dale, Texas in 1895 and was a self-employed farmer. He was short and stout.

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Bonner and Geneva Harden as the renters of a farm in rural Caldwell County, Texas. Bonner harden was 44, had been born in Texas, and was a farmer. Geneva harden was 39, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 6 children: Vivian, 16; Elnora, 16; Gladys, 12; Minnie, 10; Gertrude, 8; and Roosevelt, 5.

Bonner Harden

Bonner Harden, age 93, of Austin died Thursday, July 3, 1986.

Services will be held Tuesday, July 8, 1986, at 2:00 PM, The First Baptist Church.

He was born December 3, 1893, in Dale, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife; a son; and a daughter.

Survivors include six children, Roosevelt Harden, Sr., Vivian Walker, Elnora Johnson, Gladys Carter, Minnie Brown and Trudie Brieger; seven grandchildren; and seven greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Kings Tears Mortuary Inc.

Interment at Evergreen Cemetery.

Obituary of Bonner Harden Austin American-Statesman, July 7, 1986

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Water service permit to Paul Cantu for this house (which is shown with its old address of 4200 E. 12th Street (1953)