

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
MAY 22, 2017
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2017-0186
2003 TOWER DRIVE**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1945 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled frame house with a full-width, shed-roofed, independent porch on plain wood posts; single and paired 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

The house was built in late 1945; the first owners and occupants were Hall H. and Katherine (“Kitty”) Logan, who lived here until 1952. Hall H. Logan was a member of the State Board of Control. From 1952 until around 1970, the house was owned and occupied by W. Frank and Benedette Evans. W. Frank Evans was the sales manager for Von Boeckmann-Jones, a local office supply and publishing company. Benedette Evans was a long-time secretary at the State Board of Architectural Examiners. In the 1970s and 1980s, the house was the home of Eddie and Jenie Wilson; Eddie Wilson was the proprietor of the Armadillo World Headquarters, and later resurrected Kenneth Threadgill’s old gas station/live music venue on N. Lamar Boulevard.

STAFF COMMENTS

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

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, as this house represents the predominant early style of development in Tarrytown. If rehabilitation and adaptive re-use is not feasible, then staff encourages relocation over demolition, and must recommend release of 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.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT
PENDING CASE
ZONING BOUNDARY

1" = 159'

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2017-0186
LOCATION: 2003 Tower Drive

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2003 Tower Drive
ca. 1945



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
2003 Tower Drive

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
May, 2017

1992	Jenie Wilson, renter No occupation listed
1985-86	Edwin O. Wilson, renter No occupation listed NOTE: The directory indicates that Edwin O. Wilson was a new resident at this address.
1981	Edwin O. and Genie Wilson, owners No occupation listed
1977	No return
1973	Edwin O. and Jenie Wilson, owners Proprietor, Armadillo World Headquarters (not listed in the directory)
1968	W. Frank and Benedette L. Evans, owners 1 st vice president / secretary, Von Boeckmann-Jones, office supplies and printers, 700 E. 11 th Street. NOTE: Edwin O. and Jenie Wilson are not listed in the directory.

- 1965 W. Frank and Benedette Evans, owners
Secretary, Von Boeckmann-Jones, office supplies and printers, 700 E. 11th Street.
- 1961 W. Frank and Benedette L. Evans, owners
Secretary, Von Boeckmann-Jones, office supplies and printers, 700 E. 11th Street.
- 1957 W. Frank and Benedette L. Evans, owners
Sales manager, Von Boeckmann-Jones, office supplies and printers, 700 E. 11th Street.
- 1953 W. Frank and Benedette Evans, owners
Sales manager, Von Boeckmann-Jones, office supplies and printers, 700 E. 11th Street.
Also listed as the owners of this house are Stuart and Mildred L. Brown. He was a field representative.
- 1952 Hall H. and Kitty Logan, owns
Member, State Board of Control
NOTE: W. Frank and Benedette Evans are listed at 514 E. 39th Street. He was the sales manager for Von Boeckmann-Jones, office supplies and printers, 700 E. 11th Street.
- 1949 Hall H. and Katherine A. Logan, owners
Chairman of the board, State Board of Control
- 1947 Hall H. and Katherine A. Logan, owners
Member, State Board of Control
- 1944-45 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Hall H. and Kathryn Logan are listed as living in College Station, Texas. He was a consultant to the State Executive Department.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

W. Frank and Benedette Evans (ca. 1952 – ca. 1970)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows W. Frank and Benedette Evans as the renters of an apartment at 404 W. 11th Street in Austin. W. Frank Evans was 30, had been born in Arkansas, and was a salesman for a printing company. Benedette Evans was 32, had been born in Texas, and was a stenographer for a wholesale cracker and candy company. They had no children listed with them.

Her 1982 death certificate shows that Benedette Maude Evans was living at 2602 Great Oaks Parkway at the time of her death. She was born in Texas in 1907 and was an administrative technician for the State Board of Architectural Examiners.

Benedette L. Evans

Benedette L. Evans, age 75, of 2602 Great Oaks Parkway, died Tuesday.

She had been a resident of Austin for the past 60 years and prior to her retirement was associated with the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners.

Survivors include her husband, W. Frank Evans, Austin; sisters, Lasca Col-

ley, San Antonio, Annie Laurie Christian, Elizabeth Nichols, both of Austin; sister-in-law, Mona Laney, Austin; aunt, Mrs. Maude De Lashmutt, Austin; five nieces, three nephews.

Services, 10:00 AM Thursday, Weed-Corley Funeral Home, with Dr. Jack D. Heacock officiating. Burial, Austin Memorial Park Cemetery.

Palbearers will be Sam Saxon, J.T. Browning, Preston Goode, Oliver Sponberg, Werner Jessen and Howard Wolfe.

Obituary of Benedette Evans
Austin American-Statesman, September 22, 1982

6-10-82 RTMS

Felix Williams

2003 Tower Drive

156

52

Tarrytown #6

Frame res. & garage attached

28039 - 11/5/45

\$4500.00

Owner

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Building permit to Felix Williams for the construction of this house (1945)

WATER SERVICE PERMIT E N^o 33918 ^{SNP}
Austin, Texas

Received of W FRANK EVANS Date 7-26-63
Address 2003 TOWER DR
Amount Eighty
Plumber _____ Size of Tap 1 1/4"

replaces Old 1/2" Tap # 21459

Date of Connection	<u>8-5-63</u>
Size of Tap Made	<u>1 1/4"</u>
Size Service Made	<u>1 1/4" Cop</u>
Size Main Tapped	<u>8" C.I.</u>
From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock	<u>6'</u>
From <u>WEST</u> Prop. Line to Curb Cock	<u>47'</u>
Location of Meter	<u>CURB</u>
Type of Box	<u>ONE-WAY</u>
Depth of Main in St.	<u>2'</u>
Depth of Service Line	<u>1'</u>
From Curb Cock to Tap on Main	<u>2'</u>
Checked by Engr. Dept.	<u>9-18-63-UM</u>

No. Fittings	Size
2"	Pipe 1 1/4" Cop.
1	Curb Cock 1 1/4"
1	Cop. to Curb 1 1/4"
1	Cop. to Cop. ell
1	Cop. to Iron Coupling 1 1/4"
1	Cop. to Cop. Coupling 1 1/4"
	Angle Stop
3	Stop Bushing 1 1/2" x 1 1/4"
	Nipples
1	Service Clamp 8" x 1 1/2"
1	Valve 1 1/2"
1	Meter Box ONE-WAY
1	Lock Lid
1	Drain Tile
1	Drain Tile Lid
	Stop & Drain
	Job No. <u>W323-582</u>
	Foreman <u>L. Keenan</u>

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Water service permit to W. Frank Evans for this house (1963)

The house was remodeled in 1981. A carport that had been built over the property line was demolished in 1998; the driveway was reduced at that time as well.