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Hi Susan,

I hope you're doing well. My wife and I are getting ready to purchase more rental properties. We're under contract on one multi family property and negotiating another. I thought I'd just reach out and see if selling the 1410 w 9th property next door is something you would discuss yet.

As always, no pressure, just wanted to ask before we spend money on the other acquisitions.

Thanks,

Matt Thomson

Mike:

I went by the church on W. 9th Street, and while it is architecturally interesting, it does not appear to have sufficient architectural significance nor integrity to qualify as a city historic landmark. Can the building be sold or transferred to another congregation or group in Austin for re-use? I would also recommend archival photographic documentation of the church before demolition for the History Center.

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