



April 21, 2019

Historic Landmark Commission
City of Austin

CC: Andrew Rice, City of Austin

Re: 220 Comal Street
2008 E Cesar Chavez Street
2012 E Cesar Chavez Street.

Dear Commissioners:

The East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Plan Contact Team has received several demolition notices, noted above, created on April 11, 2019 for hearings scheduled for April 22, 2019.

Please note that we are discouraged to be faced with such short notice of these pending demolition permits. The notification for this case was created on April 11th and received on April 15th, notifying us that the Commission would be hearing the case on April 22, 2019. This is a *VERY SHORT* time frame for interested parties or our Contact Team to become educated about these cases and talk to our neighbors to solicit reactions. We implore you to revise your process to provide far more time for public notification so that the applicants and the Contact Team members can properly address each one. **Otherwise, your process for public comment cannot be considered legitimate.**

For all of these three cases our Contact Team was not given sufficient time to review and talk to our neighbors such that we felt qualified to weigh in yay or nay. Consequently, I request that these three items be pulled from your agenda and that you instruct the applicants to reach out to our team to inform us of what they are planning so that we can take a reasoned vote.

Sincerely,

Susan Benz, Chair

East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Plan Contact Team