

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
DECEMBER 16, 2019
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2019-0621
408 W. 34TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1951 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, L-plan building; cross-gabled roof; stone veneer and asbestos shingle siding; wood-sash windows and possibly vinyl-sash windows as well; corner entry.

RESEARCH

408 W. 34th Street was built by Oliver Bruck and occupied by a series of short-term renters until at least 1992.

STAFF COMMENTS

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain a high degree of integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two historic designation criteria for landmark designation (City of Austin Land Development Code, Section 25-2-352). The property does not appear to demonstrate significance according to any criteria.
 - a. **Architecture.** The house is designed in the Minimal Traditional style and does not appear to be architecturally significant.
 - b. **Historical association.** There do not appear to be significant historical associations.
 - c. **Archaeology.** The property was not evaluated for its potential to yield significant data concerning the human history or prehistory of the region.
 - d. **Community value.** The house does not possess a unique location, physical characteristic, or significant feature that contributes to the character, image, or cultural identity of the city, the neighborhood, or a particular demographic group.
 - e. **Landscape feature.** The property is not a significant natural or designed landscape with artistic, aesthetic, cultural, or historical value to the city.

The property does not appear to be eligible for designation as a historic landmark.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use of the existing building, then relocation over demolition; but release the demolition 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

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2019-0621

LOCATION: 408 W 34TH STREET

1" = 333'

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PROPERTY INFORMATION

Photos



Primary (south) façade of 408 W. 34th Street.

Occupancy History

Completed by Historic Preservation Office staff, November 2019

1952	Carl D. and Louise Pearson, renters Salesman, no employer listed
	Unit B. Vacant
1955	R. Bruce and Peggy Johnston, renters Physicist
1959	R. Bruce and Peggy Johnston, renters Physicist
1960	Bruce R. and Peggy E. Johnston, renters Student
1963	Patty S. Williams, renter Computer programmer, State Education Agency
1965	Jack and Patty S. McKinney, renters Univac Tech Rem-Rand
1968	Jack and Patty S. McKinney, renters

Univac Tech Rem-Rand

1973	Marguerite Stulken, renter (widow of J. Erwin) Retired
1977	James Castleberry, renter Student
1981	Beith Reid, renter Waitress, no employer listed
1986	Gretchen Goza, renter Student
1992	Vacant

Building Permits and Maps

O. N. & R. H. Bruck		408 West 34th Street	
71	2	5	- -
Buddington			
Frame residence and carport.			
47402 2-1-51		\$4500.00	
Owner			
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Building permit for wood-frame residence and carport issued to O. N. and R. H. Bruck, 2/1/1951.

SANITARY SEWER SERVICE PERMIT		No.	28112A
Austin, Texas			
Received of		W.O. HARPER	
Address		408 W. 34th.	
Amount		\$	
Builder or Owner		Oliver Bruch	
Plumber			
Lot	2	Block	5
Subdivision	Buddington	Plat No.	71
Date of Connection	4/27/1951		
By City	9' E/WLL		
By Plumber			
Checked By	Swisher		
Size Main	6"	Depth	4'
Main Assign.	in alley'		
Stub Depth	7' S/NPL	Prop. Line	3 1/2'
Stub Location			
Book No.	A-519		
Paving Cut	No.		

No. Fittings	Size	Price
12	Pipe 6" con	2.28
	Pipe	
	Wyes	
1	Bends	.90
	Reducers	
	Plugs	
	Sand	
	Gravel	
	Remix	
	Stoppers	
	Castings	
1	Other tap	.50
1	hr.	1.00
	truck	.40
	Labor:	12 hrs. 9.60

Sewer tap permit issued to W. O. Harper, 3/19/1951.

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WATER SERVICE PERMIT

Austin, Texas

2-55 = *2-55*

Received of *OLIVER BRUCK* Date *3-19-51*

Address *408 WEST 34TH*

Amount *TWENTY & NA / 10* *20*

Plumber *W. D. HARDER* Size of Tap *3/4*

Date of Connection *3-2-51*

Size of Tap Made _____

Size Service Made _____

Size Main Tapped _____

From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock *7.5*

From *1/4* Prop. Line to Curb Cock *7.5*

Location of Meter *CURB*

Type of Box *LOCN*

Depth of Main in St. _____

Depth of Service Line _____

From Curb Cock to Tap on Main _____

Checked by Engr. Dept. *5-1-51* *DC*

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No. Fittings	Size	Curb Cock	Elbow	St. Elbow	Bushing	Reducer	Pipe	Lead Comp.	Nipples	Union	Plug	Tee	Stop	Box	Lid	Valves	Job No.	Per. No.
1	3/4" Sucker													1	1		11-323-502	V. S. S. S.
														1	1			

Water tap permit issued to Oliver Bruck, 3/19/1951.