

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 24, 2020
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2020-0005
3001 EAST 12TH STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1947 commercial garage.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story CMU and stucco garage with front bay door, stepped parapet, and gabled roof covered with corrugated metal. A metal canopy appears on aerial views, though it appears to have been removed between 2009 and 2011.

RESEARCH

The building at 3001 East 12th Street was constructed in 1947, and served as the home of Jesse Shaw Auto Repair until at least 1992 according to City directories; other City records indicate that the building was owned by Shaw and operated as a garage until as late as 2017. Jesse Shaw, Jr. built and operated the garage with his brother, O.B. Shaw, who later moved to Corpus Christi. Jesse Shaw, Jr. and his family occupied a residence immediately adjacent to the garage (demolished 1992) following a house fire at their previous residence. The site at 2001 East 12th Street also housed a second building, constructed around 1950-52 and demolished between 1992 and 1997; this first served as the Chew Chat Inn restaurant, then Johnston's Food Store, and later B&L Heating and Air Conditioning. The garage portion of the property also contained a lawnmower repair shop in the late 1980s-1990s.

STAFF COMMENTS

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain moderate integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two historic designation criteria for landmark designation (LDC §25-2-352). The property does not appear to demonstrate significance according to City Code:
 - a) *Architecture*. Though of modest construction, the building is a relatively intact example of vernacular auto-centric storefronts typical of its era. However, it does not appear to convey further architectural significance.
 - b) *Historical association*. There do not appear to be significant historical associations, though the Commission may wish to consider the impact of long-term business owner Jesse Shaw to the growth of Austin's auto culture during the post-World War II boom.
 - c) *Archaeology*. The house 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.

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.

LOCATION MAP



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-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS
CASE#: HDP-2020-0005
LOCATION: 3001 E 12TH STREET



1" = 333'

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PROPERTY INFORMATION

Photos



Source: HPO, 2020



Google Street View image from 2009 shows missing canopy

Occupancy History

City Directory Research, Austin History Center, February 2020

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| 1992 | B&L Heating and Air Conditioning |
| | a. Shaw's Garage b. Stewart's Lawnmower Repair |
| 1985-86 | B&L Heating and Air Conditioning |
| | b. Stewart's Lawnmower Repair |
| 1981 | B&L Heating and Air Conditioning |
| | b. Shaw's Garage Auto Repair |
| 1977 | B&L Heating and Air Conditioning |
| | Shaw's Garage Auto Repair |
| 1973 | Shaw's Garage auto repair |
| 1968 | a. Ross Auto Service b. Shaw's Garage |

- 1965 Vacant
- 1962 a. Johnston Food Store b. Shaw's Garage
- 1959 a. Johnston's Food Store b. Shaw's Garage
- 1955 Jesse Shaw Garage and Repairs
Johnston Food Store
- 1952 Jesse Shaw Garage
Chew Chat Inn
- 1949 Jesse Shaw Garage (Jesse and O.B. Shaw, proprietors)
- 1947 Jesse Shaw Auto Repair
- 1944-45 Not listed

Biographical Information

JESSE SHAW SR.

Funeral services for Deacon Jesse Shaw Sr., 411 West Mary, will be held Wednesday at 4 p.m. at Willie Chapel Primitive Baptist Church with Rev. J. B. Satterwhite officiating.

Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery under direction of King-Tears Mortuary, Inc.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Frances A. Shaw; three daughters, Mrs. Georgia Hornsby, Mrs. Louanna Hornsby, Mrs. Ella Haywood; six sons, Eugene Shaw of Los Angeles, O. B. Shaw of Corpus Christi, Jesse Shaw Jr., Walter Shaw of Austin, Parry Dixon of Austin, Walter Jackson of Elgin, 22 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren.

**Samuel A. Shaw
Trains in Atlantic**

PATUXENT RIVER, Md. — Samuel A. Shaw, personnelman second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Shaw, Jr., of 3001 East 12th Street, Austin, is serving with Atlantic Fleet's Airborne Early Warning Training unit, based at the United States Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Md. The unit has the task of training the thousands of officers and men manning the Navy's giant radar equipped super constellation aircraft, which constantly patrol the North Atlantic, ready to flash the alarm in the event of an attempted surprise attack on our shores.

Before entering the Navy in 1952, Shaw attended Prairie View A & M College in Houston.

The Austin Statesman: Oct 17, 1966

The Austin Statesman: Aug 12, 1963



1976 and 1958 aerial images show B&L Heating and Air/Johnston's Food Store (top), Shaw's Garage (center), and the Shaw residence (bottom).

Building Permits

Rbt Lee 3001 E 12th
 262 1 15
 Sam Houston Hts
 frm storeroom add to rear of bldg
 59135 1-14-55 80/
 owner
 Building permit for addition, 1-14-55

WATER SERVICE PERMIT

Nº 4127 26

Austin, Texas

CHANGED TO 5" MAIN AND RENEWED SERVICE WITH 3/4" COPPER ON D-513

Received of WALTON - SHAW Date 9-12-47
 Address 3001 E 12th
 Amount TWENTY AND NO/100 \$ 20.00
 Plumber ? Size of Tap 3/4"
 Date of Connection 10-23-47
 Size of Tap Made 3/4"
 Size Service Made 3/4"
 Size Main Tapped 2" LI.
 From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock
 From E Prop. Line to Curb Cock 3'
 Location of Meter CURB
 Type of Box LOCK
 Depth of Main in St. 30"
 Depth of Service Line 2'
 From Curb Cock to Tap on Main 41'
 Checked by Engr. Dept. 11/19/47 RB

No. Fittings	Size
1 Curb Cock	5/8"
1 Elbow	3/4" COP
1 St. Elbow	3/4" COP
1 Bushing	3/4" COP
1 Reducer	2 1/2" BY 1 1/2" COP
43 Pipe	3/4" COPPER
Lead Comp.	
Nipples	3/4" COPPER
Union	
Plug	
1 Tee	1 1/2"
1 Stop	3/4" LI
1 Box	LOCK
Lid	
Valves	
Job No.	W. 322-502
Req. No.	11/19/47

WATER SERVICE PERMIT

C Nº 4566

Austin, Texas

CHANGED TO 6" MAIN AND RENEWED SERVICE WITH 3/4" COPPER ON D-513

Changing cut add. \$28.00 - C.T.O.

Received of ROBERT LEE Date 10-13-49
 Address 3001 E. 12
 Amount TWENTY + NO/100 \$ 20.00
 Plumber ERNEST MOONEY Size of Tap 3/4"
 Date of Connection 10-28-49
 Size of Tap Made 3/4"
 Size Service Made 3/4"
 Size Main Tapped 2" LI.
 From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 75'
 From E Prop. Line to Curb Cock 17'
 Location of Meter CURB
 Type of Box LOCK
 Depth of Main in St. 3'
 Depth of Service Line 2.5'
 From Curb Cock to Tap on Main
 Checked by Engr. Dept. 11-7-49 RB

No. Fittings	Size
1 Curb Cock	5/8"
1 Elbow	3/4" COP
1 St. Elbow	3/4" COP
1 Bushing	3/4" COP
1 Reducer	2 1/2" BY 1 1/2" COP
Pipe	
Lead Comp.	
Nipples	
Union	
Plug	
1 Tee	1 1/2"
1 Stop	3/4" LI
1 Box	LOCK
Lid	
Valves	
Job No.	W. 322-502
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Water tap permits, 9-12-47 and 10-13-49