

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 16, 2020
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2020-0423
2507 DIAZ STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1932 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story gable-roofed house with partial-width porch, arched entryway, stucco cladding, and stone veneer porch supports; vinyl replacement windows have been added.

RESEARCH

2507 Diaz Street was built in 1932, serving primarily as a rental house throughout the 1930s. By the mid-1940s, Ricardo and Maria Resendez had purchased the property. Ricardo Resendez worked as an installer for Dill's Awnings before moving on to jobs as a carpenter, laborer, and employee at Bergstrom AFB. The Resendez's son, Richard Vidal Resendez, served in the Air Force from the 1940s to at least the 1960s. In 1959, Ricardo Resendez converted the home into a duplex and began renting the second unit. The Resendez family owned 2507 Diaz Street until at least 1974.

STAFF COMMENTS

Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain moderate integrity. Windows have been replaced with vinyl.
- 3) Properties must meet two criteria for landmark designation (LDC §25-2-352).
 - a) *Architecture*. The house displays Craftsman and Spanish Colonial Revival influences.
 - b) *Historical association*. The house does not appear to have significant historical associations.
 - 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 appear to have significant community value.
 - 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

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



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2020-0423
LOCATION: 2507 DIAZ STREET



1" = 146'

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PROPERTY INFORMATION

Photos



Source: Historic Preservation Office, 2020

Occupancy History

City Directory Research, 2020

Note: Post-1959 research unavailable due to facility closure.

1959	Richard and Mary V. Resendez, owners
1957	Richard and Mary Resendez, owners Laborer
1955	Richard Resendez, owner Employee, Bergstrom Field
1952	Richard Sr. and Mary Resendez, owners Carpenter
1949	Not listed
1947	Ricardo R. and Maria Resendez, owners Employee, Dill's Awnings
1944-45	Ricardo and Maria Resendez, owners Installer, Dill's
1941	Felton and Edna Kelly, renters Employee, Jesse Alman's Day & Night Garage
1939	J. A. and Avis Sowell, renters Mechanic
1937	Ray A. and Emma Pfeiffer, renters Livestock director
1935	J. Wesley and Jesse M. Hough, renters Frameman, Haston Body Works
1932	Address not listed

*Biographical Information***MRS. MARY V. RESENDEZ**

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary V. Resendez were held Sunday at Mission Funeral Home with Rev. Josue Martinez of the Gethsemane Assemblies of God Church, officiating. Burial was held in Austin Memorial Park. Pallbearers were Santos Dominguez, Ignacio Maldonado, Frank Rodriguez, Manuel Rodriguez, Paul De La Rosa and Rafael De La Rosa.

IRENE MARTINEZ

Funeral for Ireneo Martinez, of 2507 Diaz St., who died Friday in her home will be Saturday at 1 p.m. at Cristo Rey Catholic Church.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Martinez; two sons, Pedro Martinez Jr. and David; six sisters Consuelo, Estella, Ofelia, Anita, Susana, and Dolores Martinez, all of Austin.

Burial will be in Assumption Cemetery under direction of Mission Funeral Home.

IX—RENTALS
83—Houses, Unfurnished

**Harrison-Wilson,
 Company's
 Rental Bulletin**

DWELLINGS—UNFURNISHED

On Kinney Ave., 8 rooms, 8 A. ...\$ 65.00
 2004 Oldham St., 7 rooms, 2 baths. \$ 65.00
 1622 Enfield Rd., 6 rooms\$ 65.00
 402 East 35th St., 6 rooms\$ 50.00
 604 West 10th, 5 rooms\$ 50.00
 608 West 16th St., 5 rooms\$ 50.00
 1609 Enfield Rd., 5 rooms\$ 45.00
 607 Evergreen Ave., 5 rooms\$ 40.00
 605 Harthan St., 5 rooms\$ 40.00
 1008 Hillside Ave., 6 rooms\$ 40.00
 4206 Ave "F", 5 rooms\$ 37.50
 On Blue Bonnet Rd., 6 rooms\$ 35.00
 806 Riverside Drive, 5 rooms\$ 35.00
 102 West 31st St., 5 rooms\$ 32.50
 2206 N Longfellow St., 5 rooms ...\$ 31.50
 602 East 42nd St., 5 rooms\$ 31.00
 4008 Avenue B, 5 rooms\$ 30.00
 1104 Baylor St., 5 rooms\$ 30.00
 110 East Johanna St., 6 rooms ...\$ 26.50
 On Post Road, store & 4 rooms ...\$ 25.00
 1006 Harper Lane, 5 rooms\$ 24.00
 916 West James St., 5 rooms\$ 22.50
 1805 East 22nd St., 5 rooms ...\$ 22.50
 1017 West Monroe St., 4 rooms ...\$ 20.00
 2506 East 6th St., 5 rooms\$ 20.00
 1007 West Mary St., 5 rooms\$ 18.00
 4400 Ave. "C," 4 rooms\$ 18.00
 2607 Diaz St., 4 rooms\$ 18.00

The Austin American (1914-1973); 05 Sep 1937

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION	
White	5' 7"	165	Sallow	
	EYES	HAIR	Light	
Negro	Blue	Blonde	Ruddy	
	Gray	Red	Dark	
Oriental	Hazel	Brown	Freckled	
	Brown	Black	Light brown	✓
Indian	Black	Gray	Dark brown	
		Bald	Black	
Fillpino				

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.....
 Scar near left eyebrow.

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Steady Reed Pickha
 (Signature of registrar)
 Registrar for Local Board, Austin, Texas

Date of registration Feb. 16, 1942

LOCAL BOARD No. 1
 Travis County 1942
 Comm. No. 453
 Austin, Texas
 001

(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after February 17, 1897 and on or before December 31, 1921)

SERIAL NUMBER 1. NAME (Print) ORDER NUMBER
 T. 1276 Ricardo Resendez T. 12658

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print)
 2403 East Tenth Austin Travis Texas

3. MAILING ADDRESS
 Same

4. TELEPHONE 5. AGE IN YEARS 6. PLACE OF BIRTH
 None 42 New Braunfels Texas

DATE OF BIRTH
 April 3, 1899

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS
 Mrs. Maria Resendez, 2403 E. 10th, Austin, Texas

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS
 None

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS
 None

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.
Ricardo Resendez
 (Registrar's signature)

D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 1-1-42) 16-21630-1

WWII draft card for Ricardo Resendez Sr., [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com)

Richard Resendez At German Base

SEMBACH AB, Germany—Staff Sergeant Richard V. Resendez of Austin, has been assigned to Sembach in the redeployment of his Air Force unit, the 601st Tactical Control Squadron, here from Rothwestern, Germany.

Cpl. Resendez Sent to Pacific

Corporal Richard V. Resendez of Austin has been sent to California for transfer to the Pacific theater of operations.

Resendez is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Resendez, 2507 Diaz Street, Austin. He has been in the US Air Force for three years.

Prior to his Pacific assignment, he has served at the Casper Air Force Base in Wyoming and the Grenier Base in Manchester, N. H.

Announcement of his transfer was made by the public information office at the Grenier Base.

Sgt. Resendez is a radio equipment technician in the 601st which coordinates activities of Army ground forces with Air Force operations. The squadron provides radar guidance and communications assistance to aircraft flying ground support missions.

The sergeant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Resendez Sr. of 915 Valdez Street, Austin, is a graduate of Allan Junior High School.

The Austin American (1914-1973); May 23, 1948 and May 16, 1963

Permits

Connecting Charge \$ 12.00 ✓

Application for Sewer Connection. No. **11063**

NE/TI Austin, Texas, Nov. 29, 1932

To the Superintendent of Sewer and Public Improvements,
City of Austin, Texas.

Sir:-

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by Paul O. Simms at 2507 Diaz Street which place is to be used as a residence

In this place there are to be installed 4 fixtures.

I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance charge.

Respectfully, Paul O. Simms

Richard Resendez 2507 Diaz St.
 268 60
 Paul
 Frame Addn rear of Res. to Connect with Acc. Bldg.
 74426 10-20-59 \$700.00
 Owner 3 added

THERE IS TO BE NO KITCHEN INSTALLED. ONLY 1 KITCHEN IN
 THIS HOUSE AND NOT FOR RENTAL PURPOSES
 BEDROOM AND BATH

Remodel permit, 10-20-59

9/3/87
 Richard Resendez 2507 Diaz St.
 268 60
 Paul
 Remodel res to create cuplex
 74892 12/17/59 200.00
 owner -

DUPLEX Install additional kitchen
 Variation BD of Adj lot area 4470.2 Sq. Ft

#143180 6-11-74 Richard Resendez Sr. Repair Exist.
 Res. & Bring to Min. Stdrs. (Front) 500.00
 #143181 6-11-74 Richard Resendez Sr. Repair Exist. Res.
 & Bring to Min. Stdrs. (Rear) 500.00

Remodel permit, 12-17-59