ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE NUMBER: C14H-2010-0016

HLC DATE:

April 26, 2010

May 24, 2010

PC DATE:

July 13, 2010 July 27, 2010

APPLICANT: Historic Landmark Commission

HISTORIC NAME: Callan-Boswell House

WATERSHED: Waller Creek

ADDRESS OF PROPOSED ZONING CHANGE: Waller Creek

ZONING FROM: SF-3-NCCD-NP to SF-3-H-NCCD-NP

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff cannot recommend this house for landmark designation due to the absence of information concerning its early history. The house was moved to the current site in 1945 by Judge Krueger, who owned the property, but there is no indication that the house nor its residents were tied to Judge Krueger or his family. Staff does recognize the compatibility of the house with the historic character of the district and encourages the property owner to attempt to retain and rehabilitate the house or to relocate the house within the neighborhood.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR LANDMARK DESIGNATION:

Staff does not believe that the Callan-Boswell House qualifies for individual designation as a historic landmark, but recognizes that it would be contributing to a local historic district in the Grooms Addition. The house is a typical vernacular dwelling that was moved to the site from an unknown location in 1945; its earlier history remains a mystery.

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION ACTION: April 26, 2010: Initiated a historic zoning case. Vote: 7-0. May 24, 2010: Recommended a zoning change from family residence – neighborhood conservation – neighborhood plan (SF-3-NCCD-NP) combining district to family residence – historic landmark – neighborhood conservation – neighborhood plan (SF-3-H-NCCD-NP) combining district zoning. Vote: 5-1 (Hansen opposed; Leary ill).

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION: July 13, 2010: Postponed to July 27, 2010 at staff's request to allow additional research by staff and the neighborhood regarding the origins of the house. July 27, 2010: Recommend against the proposed zoning change from family residence – neighborhood conservation – neighborhood plan (SF-3-NCCD-NP) combining district to family residence – historic landmark – neighborhood conservation – neighborhood plan (SF-3-H-NCCD-NP) combining district zoning, with the request to Council that if additional substantive information arises before the Council hearing, that Council will consider remanding the case to the Planning Commission for further review and recommendations. Vote: 5-3 (Chimenti, Dealey, and Tovo opposed).

<u>DEPARTMENT COMMENTS</u>: The house is not listed in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984).

CITY COUNCIL DATE: August 19, 2010

ACTION:

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1ST 2ND 3RD

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER: Steve Sadowsky PHONE: 974-6454

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION: North University Neighborhood Association.

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

Architectural Description:

One-story rectangular-plan side-gabled board-and-batten frame house with a partial-width hipped-roof independent porch on turned wood posts; 1:1 fenestration.

Historical Associations:

The house was moved to its current site in 1945 by Judge Charles Krueger, who lived in the adjacent house facing Duval Street. The house is believed to have come from the Whitis Subdivision, one of the older areas in the North University area; stylistically, it appears that the house was built around 1915. On the current site, the house has been used as a rental unit; renters have included a bookbinder in the late 1940s, and a building crew foreman at the University of Texas from the late 1950s through the mid-1990s.

Robert and Hildegarde Callan are listed as the renters of the property in city directories from 1944-45 through 1949. He worked as a bookbinder for A.C. Baldwin and Sons, and moved here from 1207 Alta Vista Avenue in Travis Heights. John R. Boswell was the longest-term tenant of the house, moving into the house in the mid-1950s with his wife Ida, and staying here until his death in 1997. Prior to moving into this house, Boswell lived with his mother Mamie at 1107 W. 38th Street in 1944-45, when he was serving in the U.S. Army, and then they moved to 3812 Morningside Drive by 1947, when he worked as a clerk for the Wood Food Store. When he and his wife Ida moved into this house, he worked as a building crew foreman for the University of Texas, a position he kept until he retired in the early 1980s. He died in 1997.

PARCEL NO.: 02170606130000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot A, Charles Krueger Subdivision

ESTIMATED ANNUAL TAX ABATEMENT: \$2,285 (owner-occupied); city portion: \$535; \$1,158 (income-producing).

APPRAISED VALUE: \$220,758

PRESENT USE: Residence

CONDITION: Good

PRESENT OWNERS: Charles and Christine Boes

6550 Shady Brook Lane, Apt. 2017

Dallas, Texas 75206

DATE BUILT: unknown – the house was moved to this site in 1945.

ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: Two rooms were added to the back of the house when it was moved to its current site in 1945, according to City building records.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S): Unknown.

OTHER HISTORICAL DESIGNATIONS: None.

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CASE#; C14H-2010-0016 ADDRESS: 408 E 33RD ST GRID: J 24 MANAGER; STEVE SADOWSKY



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408 E. 33rd Street Date unknown – moved to this site in 1945.



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 408 E. 33rd Street

City Directory Research, Austin History Center By City Historic Preservation Office April, 2010

1992 John R. Boswell, renter

Retired

1985-86 John R. Boswell, renter

Retired

1980 John R. Boswell, renter

Building services supervisor, University of Texas

1976 John R. Boswell, renter

Building services supervisor, University of Texas

1972 John R. Boswell, renter

Assistant supervisor, building services, University of Texas

1967 Vacant

NOTE: John and Ida L. Boswell are also listed as living at 408 E. 33rd Street; he was a

building crew foreman at the University of Texas.

1963 John R. and Ida L. Boswell, renters

Building crew foreman at the University of Texas.

1959 John R. and Ida L. Boswell, renters

John: Foreman, University of Texas

Ida: Waitress, White Pharmacy, 523 Congress Avenue

1954 Milburn and Katherine Sakewitz, renters

Employed by Superior Dairies

NOTE: John and Ida Boswell are listed as living at 909-B E. 37th Street; he was a building attendant at the University of Texas.

1952 John E. Rowland, renter

U.S. Army

NOTE: John E. Rowland is listed in the main directory as living at 910 E. 53rd Street.

1949 Robert N. and Hildegarde Callan, renters

Binder, A.C. Baldwin & Sons, bookbinders, 209 W. 8th Street.

1947 Robert H. and Hildegarde Callan, renters

Binder, A.C. Baldwin & Sons, bookbinders, 209 W. 8th Street.

The address is not listed in the directory. 1944-45

NOTE: Robert N. and Hildegarde Callan are listed as living at 1207 Alta Vista; he worked as a book-binder for A.C. Baldwin & Sons.

NOTE: City building permit records indicate that the house was moved to this site in 1945.

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Sewer service permit (1945)

John Reginald Boswell

John Reginald Boswell; 76, of Austin, died Friday, June 18, 1997.

John was born to John Lee Boswell and Mamie Hobbs Boswell on October 19, 1820 in Lexington, Texas. He served in the United States Army Infantry during World War II. In 1945, he began his employment with the University of Texas and retired in 1981 after 33 years.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday, June 15, 1997, from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Graveside funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, June 16, 1997 at Schulenburg City Cemetery, with Pastor Don Just of Messiah Lutheran Church officiating.

Survivors include his wife, Ernestine "Tina" Boswell; his sisters, Opal Tyler and Audrey Halliburton; his step-daughter; three step-grandchildren; one brother-in-law; two sisters-in-law; and numerous nisces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made in John's name to the charity of one's choice.

Cook-Walden.

6100 North Lamar 512/454-5611

Obituary of John Boswell
Austin American-Statesman, June 15, 1997