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TO:	Historic Preservation Advisory Board
DATE:	May 18, 2023
APPLICANT:	Alexander Barakat
CASE NUMBER:	H2023-006; Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for 303 Williams Street

## **SUMMARY**

Hold a public hearing to discuss and consider a request by Alexander Barakat for the approval of a <u>Certificate of Appropriateness</u> (<u>COA</u>) for a fence on a <u>Medium Contributing Property</u> being a 0.2800-acre parcel of land identified as Lot C, Block 2, Farmer & Merchants Addition, City of Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District, situated within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District, addressed as 303 Williams Street, and take any action necessary.

### BACKGROUND

The 1,923 SF single-family home -- situated on the subject property at 303 Williams Street -- was constructed circa 1950 utilizing the Ranch architectural style according to the 2017 Historic Resource Survey. The single-family home is classified as Medium-Contributing Property and is situated within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District. A property that is assigned the Medium Contributing classification is defined as having most, but not all, of the historical character and integrity of a Contributing Property with some of this being lost through alterations to the home. The subject property was annexed prior to 1911 based on the April 1911 Sanborn Maps. According to the January 3, 1972 zoning map the



FIGURE 1: SEPTEMBER 2022

subject property was zoned Single-Family 3 (SF-3) District. At some point between January 3, 1972 and May 16, 1983 the subject property was rezoned from a Single-Family 3 (SF-3) District to Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. The property has remained zoned Single Family (SF-7) District since this date.

## <u>PURPOSE</u>

The applicant is requesting approval of a <u>Certificate of Appropriateness (COA)</u> for the purpose of removing an existing frontyard fence and replacing it with a four (4) foot tall wrought iron fence.

## ADJACENT LAND USES AND ACCESS

The subject property is located at 303 Williams Street. The land uses adjacent to the subject property are as follows:

<u>North</u>: Directly north of the subject property is a 0.28-acre parcel of land (*i.e.* 302 E. Margaret Street) that is developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *Medium-Contributing Property* on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey. This property is zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is Margaret Street, which is identified as a R2 (*i.e. residential, two* [2] lane, undivided roadway) on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Beyond this is the boundary of the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District followed by a 0.5760-acre parcel of land (*i.e.* 703 Kernodle Street) developed with a single-family home. This property is zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District.

- South: Directly south of the subject property is Williams Street, which is identified as a *Minor Collector* on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Beyond this is a 0.1140-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 304 Williams Street*) developed with a single-family home and a 0.1840-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 306 Williams Street*) developed with a single-family home. Both of these properties are designated as *Medium-Contributing Properties* on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey and are zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. Beyond this is a parcel of land (*i.e. 308 Fannin Street*) that is developed with a restaurant (*i.e. The Roundabout*). This property is classified as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey, and is zoned Downtown (DT) District. Beyond this is the boundary of the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District.
- *East*: Directly east of the subject property is a 0.7096-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Kernodle Street*) developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *High-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. Beyond this is Kernodle Street, which is identified as a *Minor Collector* on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Beyond this is a 0.2630-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 502 Kernodle Street*) developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *Medium-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. In addition, there is also a 0.1600-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 506 Kernodle Street*) developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. Both of these properties are zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is a 0.3860-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Austin Street*) developed with a single-family nome that a single-family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is a 0.3860-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Austin Street*) developed with a single-family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is a 0.3860-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Austin Street*) developed with a single-family nome that a single-family nome that is designated as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. This property is zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District.
- <u>West</u>: Directly west of the subject property is a 0.2700-acre parcel of land (*i.e.* 503 N. Fannin Street) that is developed with a single-family home that is designated as a Non-Contributing Property on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey. Beyond this is a 1.65-acre vacant parcel of land (*i.e.* Lot 1, Block A, Olive-Fannin Addition) designated as a Non-Contributing Property on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey. Beyond this is a 1.65-acre vacant parcel of land (*i.e.* Lot 1, Block A, Olive-Fannin Addition) designated as a Non-Contributing Property on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey. Following this are three (3) parcels of land developed with two (2) Medium-Contributing Properties (*i.e.* 602 and 504 N. Goliad Street) and one (1) Non-Contributing Property (*i.e.* 506 N. Goliad Street). All of these properties are zoned Planned Development District 50 (PD-50) for Residential-Office (RO) District land uses. Beyond this is N. Goliad Street, which is identified as a M4U-M (*i.e.* modified major collector, four (4) lane, undivided roadway) on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

# CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT

The property owner is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for the purpose of removing a damaged front yard fence and replacing it with a four (4) foot tall, wrought iron fence. The photos provided by the applicant indicate that the fence that was knocked down was a white, wooden fence that is estimated to be three (3) feet in height. Staff should note that the applicant commenced with the work prior to submitting or receiving a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) or a building permit. This was referred to staff by the Neighborhood Improvement Services (NIS) Division of the City after a *Stop Work Order* was issued to the applicant. Currently, most of the damaged fence has been removed and part of the new wrought iron fence has been put into place.

## CONFORMANCE TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT GUIDELINES & CITY'S CODES

According to Subsection 06.03(F), *Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for Alteration or New Construction*, of Article 05, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), "(t)he provisions of this ordinance [*Historic Overlay (HOV) District*] shall apply only to those properties ... which meet the following criteria: [1] either be a designed historical landmark or be wholly or partially located within a designated historic district, and [2] either be a contributing property as defined by *Subsection B* or be located within 200-feet of a contributing property." In this case, the subject property meets all of the criteria for a property that would require a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA). Specifically, it is situated wholly within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District, and is designated as a *Medium-Contributing Property* on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey.

In reviewing the applicant's request against Section 07, *Building Standards*, of Appendix D, *Historic Preservation Guidelines*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), front yard fences are subject to the following: "(H) <u>Fences</u>. A fence in the front, side, or rear yards should meet all applicable city codes. Most fences require only a fence permit; however, a fence requiring a building permit will also be reviewed and approved by the board [*Historic Preservation Advisory Board*]. Any fence that requires review

must be architecturally compatible in height, materials, color, texture and design with the style and period of the main structure on the lot." In this case, staff reviewed the surrounding properties and found that the majority of the homes had white picket fences or no fence at all, which would appear to make the applicant's request inconsistent with the neighboring historic buildings; however, wrought iron fences are not an atypical style for the period of the existing historic home. In addition, Subsection 8.03(D)(2), *Fences in the Front Yard*, of Article 08, *Fence Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC) states "(n)o fence shall be constructed in the front yard of a residential property without being granted an exception from the Planning and Zoning Commission ... the Planning and Zoning Commission may authorize the issuance of an exception for the construction of a front yard fence subject to the following provisions: ... (b) <u>Wrought Iron or Decorative Metal Fences</u>. Wrought iron or decorative metal fences that are 50% transparent ... shall not exceed 48-inches in height ... In considering a front yard fence, the Planning and Zoning Commission may require applicants to provide additional information, plans, drawings, and/or other information concerning the proposed front yard fence." This means that if the HPAB approves the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for the look of the fence, a recommendation for approval will be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commission concerning the proposed front yard fence. Staff should note that the applicant's request does appear to be in conformance with all of the Unified Development Code's (UDC's) requirements for a front yard fence.

According to Subsection 06.03(G)(5), *Standards of Approval*, of Article 05, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), "...the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) must approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) if it determines that ... the application will not adversely affect the character of the site; and the proposed work is consistent with the regulations contained in this section and proposed preservation criteria ..." In this case, the applicant's scope of work (*i.e. removing and replacing the fence*) appears to generally be in conformance with the guidelines and requirements contained in the Unified Development Code (UDC), and the proposed scope of work does <u>not</u> appear to impair the historical integrity of the subject property nor does it appear to have a negative impact on any of the adjacent properties; however, requests for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) are discretionary decisions for the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB).

# **NOTIFICATIONS**

On May 4, 2023, staff mailed 22 property owner notifications to property owners and occupants within 200-feet of the subject property. At the time this report was drafted, staff had not received any notices returned regarding the applicant's request.

## **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

If the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) chooses to approve the request for a <u>Certificate of Occupancy (COA)</u>, staff would propose the following conditions of approval:

(1) Any construction resulting from the approval of this request shall conform to the requirements set forth by the Unified Development Code (UDC), the International Building Code (IBC), the Rockwall Municipal Code of Ordinances, city adopted engineering and fire codes and with all other applicable regulatory requirements administered and/or enforced by the state and federal government.

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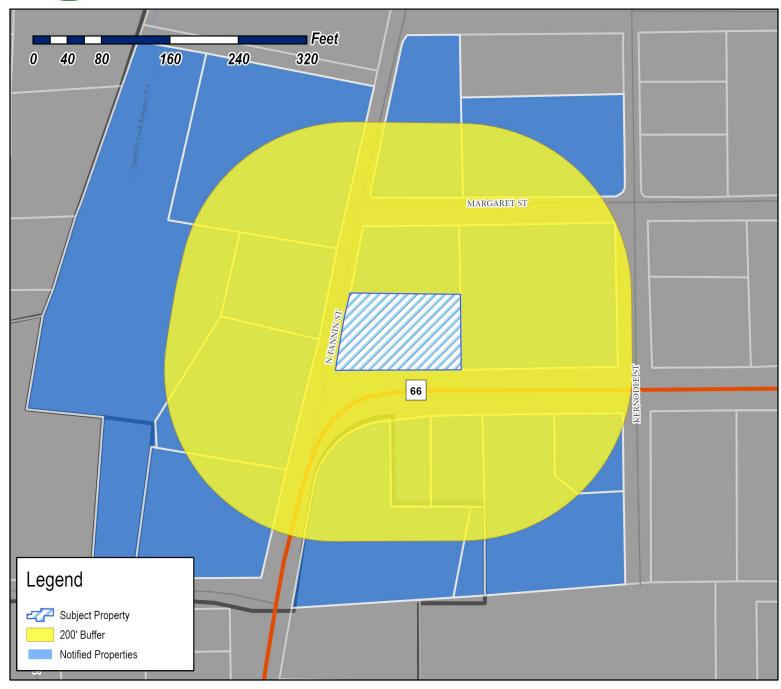
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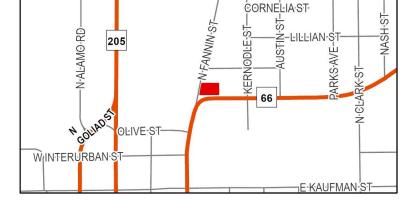




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# PUBLIC NOTICE PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT PHONE: (972) 771-7745 PHONE: (972) 771-7745

Property Owner and/or Resident of the City of Rockwall:

You are hereby notified that the Historic Preservation Advisory Board will consider the following application:

### Case No. H2023-006: Certificate of Appropriateness for 303 Williams Street

Hold a public hearing to discuss and consider a request by Alexander Barakat for the approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a fence on a Medium Contributing Property being a 0.2800-acre parcel of land identified as a portion of Lot C, Block 2, Farmers & Merchants Addition, City of Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, zoned Single Family 7 (SF-7) District, situated within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District, addressed as 303 Williams Street, and take any action necessarv.

For the purpose of considering the effects of such a request, the Historic Preservation Advisory Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM. This hearing will be held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 385 S. Goliad Street.

As an interested property owner, you are invited to attend these meetings. If you prefer to express your thoughts in writing please return the form to:

Angelica Guevara Rockwall Planning and Zoning Dept. 385 S. Goliad Street Rockwall, TX 75087

You may also email your comments to the Planning Department at planning@rockwall.com. If you choose to email the Planning Department please include your name and address for identification purposes.

Your comments must be received by Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 4:00 PM to ensure they are included in the information provided to the Historic Preservation Advisory Board.

Sincerely,

Ryan Miller, AICP Director of Planning & Zoning

#### PLEASE RETURN THE BELOW FORM

Case No. H2023-006: Certificate of Appropriateness for 303 Williams Street

#### Please place a check mark on the appropriate line below:

I am in favor of the request for the reasons listed below.

I am opposed to the request for the reasons listed below.

Name:

Address:

Tex. Loc. Gov. Code, Sec. 211.006 (d) If a proposed change to a regulation or boundary is protested in accordance with this subsection, the proposed change must receive, in order to take effect, the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of all members of the governing body. The protest must be written and signed by the owners of at least 20 percent of either: (1) the area of the lots or land covered by the proposed change; or (2) the area of the lots or land immediately adjoining the area covered by the proposed change and extending 200 feet from that area.

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May 19, 2023

- TO: Alexander Barakat 2234 Randas Way Rockwall, TX 75087
- FROM: Angelica Guevara City of Rockwall Planning and Zoning Department 385 S. Goliad Street Rockwall, TX 75087

SUBJECT: H2023-006; Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for 303 Williams Street

### Mr. Barakat:

This letter serves to notify you that the above referenced case, that you submitted for consideration by the City of Rockwall, was denied by the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) on May 18, 2023. The following is a record of all voting records:

### Historic Preservation Advisory Board

On May 18, 2023, the Historic Preservation Advisory Board approved a motion to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness (C0A) by a vote of 6-0, with Board Member Hall absent.

According to Subsection 01.05, *Reapplication*, of Article 11, *Development Applications and Review Procedures*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), "(a) request for site plan, plat, miscellaneous case, Certificate of Appropriateness (COA), small matching grant, or building permit fee waiver which has been previously denied with prejudice by the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB), Planning and Zoning Commission, or City Council may be resubmitted within one (1) year if there is: [1] an actual change in condition relating to the lot or tract of land -- *or any portion thereof* -- or any surrounding properties, or [2] the new request is more restrictive or less intense than the previous request." Please note that a failure to indicate a denial is with or without prejudice in making a motion to deny a request shall be considered a denial with prejudice. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the denial of your site plan or the site planning process, please feel free to contact me a (972) 771-7745.

Sincerely,

Angelica Guevara, *Planning Technician* City of Rockwall Planning and Zoning Department



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# HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD MEMORANDUM

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TO:	Historic Preservation Advisory Board
FROM:	Angelica Guevara, Planning Technician
DATE:	June 15, 2023
SUBJECT:	Request to Resubmit an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for 303 Williams Street

The applicant, Alexander Barakat, is requesting to waive the one (1) year time limitation on resubmitting an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) that was denied. On May 18, 2023, the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) denied a request for a COA [Case No. H2023-006] for a front yard fence stating that they did not feel the fence met the Historic Guidelines for fences in the Historic District. According to Subsection 06.03(H)(1), Appeal Process, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), "(i)f the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) is denied, the applicant may appeal to the City Council by filing a written notice with the Historic Preservation Officer (HPO) within ten business days after the decision of the board. In considering an appeal, the sole issue before the City Council shall be whether the board erred in its decision. The City Council shall consider the same standards and evidence that was considered in making the decision. Appeal to the City Council constitutes the final administrative remedy." After reviewing this criterion, the applicant chose to submit a request in accordance with Section 06.03(H)(2), Reapplication, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), which states that if an appeal is denied by the HPAB no further applications may be considered for the subject matter of the denied COA for a period of one (1) year from the date of final decision unless the HPAB waives the time limitation. In considering this matter the HPAB is asked to determine if there are changes or circumstances sufficient to warrant a new hearing. In this case, staff feels the request may be warranted due to the applicant not being at the original public hearing; however, this is a discretionary decision for the HPAB, and only requires a simple majority vote for approval. Should the HPAB have any questions staff and the applicant will be available at the June 15, 2023 HPAB meeting.



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## **SUMMARY**

Hold a public hearing to discuss and consider a request by Alexander Barakat for the approval of a <u>Certificate of Appropriateness</u> (<u>COA</u>) for a fence on a <u>Medium Contributing Property</u> being a 0.2800-acre parcel of land identified as Lot C, Block 2, Farmer & Merchants Addition, City of Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District, situated within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District, addressed as 303 Williams Street, and take any action necessary.

### BACKGROUND

The 1,923 SF single-family home -- situated on the subject property at 303 Williams Street -- was constructed circa 1950 utilizing the Ranch architectural style according to the 2017 Historic Resource Survey. The single-family home is classified as Medium-Contributing Property and is situated within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District. A property that is assigned the Medium Contributing classification is defined as having most, but not all, of the historical character and integrity of a Contributing Property with some of this being lost through alterations to the home. The subject property was annexed prior to 1911 based on the April 1911 Sanborn Maps. According to the January 3, 1972 zoning map the



FIGURE 1: SEPTEMBER 2022

subject property was zoned Single-Family 3 (SF-3) District. At some point between January 3, 1972 and May 16, 1983 the subject property was rezoned from a Single-Family 3 (SF-3) District to Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. The property has remained zoned Single Family (SF-7) District since this date.

## <u>PURPOSE</u>

The applicant is requesting approval of a <u>Certificate of Appropriateness (COA)</u> for the purpose of removing an existing frontyard fence and replacing it with a four (4) foot tall wrought iron fence.

## ADJACENT LAND USES AND ACCESS

The subject property is located at 303 Williams Street. The land uses adjacent to the subject property are as follows:

<u>North</u>: Directly north of the subject property is a 0.28-acre parcel of land (*i.e.* 302 E. Margaret Street) that is developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *Medium-Contributing Property* on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey. This property is zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is Margaret Street, which is identified as a R2 (*i.e. residential, two* [2] lane, undivided roadway) on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Beyond this is the boundary of the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District followed by a 0.5760-acre parcel of land (*i.e.* 703 Kernodle Street) developed with a single-family home. This property is zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District.

- <u>South</u>: Directly south of the subject property is Williams Street, which is identified as a *Minor Collector* on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Beyond this is a 0.1140-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 304 Williams Street*) developed with a single-family home and a 0.1840-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 306 Williams Street*) developed with a single-family home. Both of these properties are designated as *Medium-Contributing Properties* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey* and are zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. Beyond this is a parcel of land (*i.e. 308 Fannin Street*) that is developed with a restaurant (*i.e. The Roundabout*). This property is classified as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*, and is zoned Downtown (DT) District. Beyond this is the boundary of the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District.
- *East*: Directly east of the subject property is a 0.7096-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Kernodle Street*) developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *High-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. Beyond this is Kernodle Street, which is identified as a *Minor Collector* on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Beyond this is a 0.2630-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 502 Kernodle Street*) developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *Medium-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. In addition, there is also a 0.1600-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 506 Kernodle Street*) developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. Both of these properties are zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is a 0.3860-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Austin Street*) developed with a single-family nome that a single-family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is a 0.3860-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Austin Street*) developed with a single-family 7 (SF-7) District. Following this is a 0.3860-acre parcel of land (*i.e. 501 Austin Street*) developed with a single-family nome that a single-family nome that is designated as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. This property is zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District.
- <u>West</u>: Directly west of the subject property is a 0.2700-acre parcel of land (*i.e.* 503 *N. Fannin Street*) that is developed with a single-family home that is designated as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. Beyond this is a 1.65-acre vacant parcel of land (*i.e.* Lot 1, Block A, Olive-Fannin Addition) designated as a *Non-Contributing Property* on the 2017 *Historic Resource Survey*. Following this are three (3) parcels of land developed with two (2) *Medium-Contributing Properties (i.e.* 602 and 504 *N. Goliad Street*) and one (1) *Non-Contributing Property (i.e.* 506 *N. Goliad Street*). All of these properties are zoned Planned Development District 50 (PD-50) for Residential-Office (RO) District land uses. Beyond this is N. Goliad Street, which is identified as a M4U-M (*i.e. modified major collector, four (4) lane, undivided roadway*) on the Master Thoroughfare Plan contained in the OURHometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

# CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT

The property owner is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for the purpose of removing a damaged front yard fence and replacing it with a four (4) foot tall, wrought iron fence. The photos provided by the applicant indicate that the fence that was knocked down was a white, wooden fence that is estimated to be three (3) feet in height. Staff should note that the applicant commenced with the work prior to submitting or receiving a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) or a building permit. This was referred to staff by the Neighborhood Improvement Services (NIS) Division of the City after a *Stop Work Order* was issued to the applicant. Currently, most of the damaged fence has been removed and part of the new wrought iron fence has been put into place.

## CONFORMANCE TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT GUIDELINES & CITY'S CODES

According to Subsection 06.03(F), *Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for Alteration or New Construction*, of Article 05, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), "(t)he provisions of this ordinance [*Historic Overlay (HOV) District*] shall apply only to those properties ... which meet the following criteria: [1] either be a designed historical landmark or be wholly or partially located within a designated historic district, and [2] either be a contributing property as defined by *Subsection B* or be located within 200-feet of a contributing property." In this case, the subject property meets all of the criteria for a property that would require a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA). Specifically, it is situated wholly within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District, and is designated as a *Medium-Contributing Property* on the 2017 Historic Resource Survey.

In reviewing the applicant's request against Section 07, *Building Standards*, of Appendix D, *Historic Preservation Guidelines*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), front yard fences are subject to the following: "(H) <u>Fences</u>. A fence in the front, side, or rear yards should meet all applicable city codes. Most fences require only a fence permit; however, a fence requiring a building permit will also be reviewed and approved by the board [*Historic Preservation Advisory Board*]. Any fence that requires review

must be architecturally compatible in height, materials, color, texture and design with the style and period of the main structure on the lot." In this case, staff reviewed the surrounding properties and found that the majority of the homes had white picket fences or no fence at all, which would appear to make the applicant's request inconsistent with the neighboring historic buildings; however, wrought iron fences are not an atypical style for the period of the existing historic home. In addition, Subsection 8.03(D)(2), *Fences in the Front Yard*, of Article 08, *Fence Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC) states "(n)o fence shall be constructed in the front yard of a residential property without being granted an exception from the Planning and Zoning Commission ... the Planning and Zoning Commission may authorize the issuance of an exception for the construction of a front yard fence subject to the following provisions: ... (b) <u>Wrought Iron or Decorative Metal Fences</u>. Wrought iron or decorative metal fences that are 50% transparent ... shall not exceed 48-inches in height ... In considering a front yard fence, the Planning and Zoning Commission may require applicants to provide additional information, plans, drawings, and/or other information concerning the proposed front yard fence." This means that if the HPAB approves the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for the look of the fence, a recommendation for approval will be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commission concerning the proposed front yard fence. Staff should note that the applicant's request does appear to be in conformance with all of the Unified Development Code's (UDC's) requirements for a front yard fence.

According to Subsection 06.03(G)(5), *Standards of Approval*, of Article 05, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), "...the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) must approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) if it determines that ... the application will not adversely affect the character of the site; and the proposed work is consistent with the regulations contained in this section and proposed preservation criteria ..." In this case, the applicant's scope of work (*i.e. removing and replacing the fence*) appears to generally be in conformance with the guidelines and requirements contained in the Unified Development Code (UDC), and the proposed scope of work does <u>not</u> appear to impair the historical integrity of the subject property nor does it appear to have a negative impact on any of the adjacent properties; however, requests for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) are discretionary decisions for the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB).

# **NOTIFICATIONS**

On May 4, 2023, staff mailed 22 property owner notifications to property owners and occupants within 200-feet of the subject property. At the time this report was drafted, staff had not received any notices returned regarding the applicant's request.

## **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

If the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) chooses to approve the request for a <u>Certificate of Occupancy (COA)</u>, staff would propose the following conditions of approval:

(1) Any construction resulting from the approval of this request shall conform to the requirements set forth by the Unified Development Code (UDC), the International Building Code (IBC), the Rockwall Municipal Code of Ordinances, city adopted engineering and fire codes and with all other applicable regulatory requirements administered and/or enforced by the state and federal government.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD APPLICATION City of Rockwall Planning and Zoning Department 385 S. Goliad Street Rockwall, Texas 75087	STAFF USE ONLY CASE NUMBER: NOTE: THE APPLICATION IS NOT CONSIDERED ACCEPTED BY THE CITY UNTIL THE PLANNING DIRECTOR HAS SIGNED BELOW. DIRECTOR OF PLANNING: DATE RECEIVED: RECEIVED BY:			
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IS THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY THE PRIMARY CONTACT?	APPLICANT(S) IS/ARE: 🔀 OWNER 🔲 TENANT 🛄 NON-PROFIT 🗍 RESIDENT			
🔀 CHECK THIS BOX IF OWNER AND APPLICANT ARE THE SAME.	OTHER, SPECIFY:			
OWNER(S) NAME Alexander Barakat	APPLICANT(S) NAME			
ADDRESS 2234 Randas Way	ADDRESS			
Rockmall TX 75087				
PHONE 214-549-2607	PHONE			
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OWNER'S SIGNATURE

Alex Barahar

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

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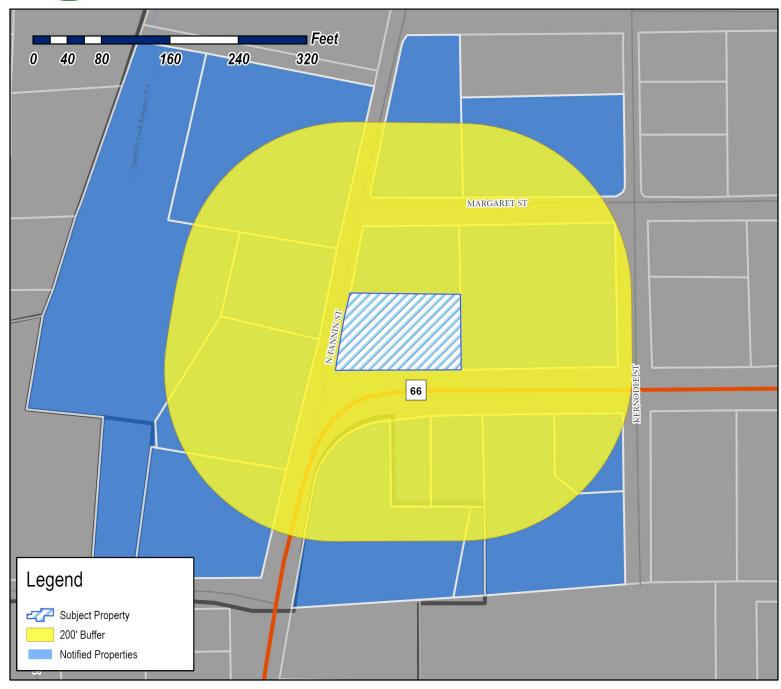
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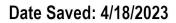
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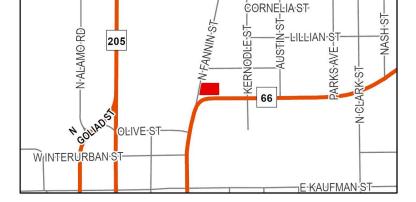


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For Questions on this Case Call: (972) 771-7746



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# PUBLIC NOTICE PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT PHONE: (972) 771-7745 PHONE: (972) 771-7745

Property Owner and/or Resident of the City of Rockwall:

You are hereby notified that the Historic Preservation Advisory Board will consider the following application:

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For the purpose of considering the effects of such a request, the Historic Preservation Advisory Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM. This hearing will be held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 385 S. Goliad Street.

As an interested property owner, you are invited to attend these meetings. If you prefer to express your thoughts in writing please return the form to:

Angelica Guevara Rockwall Planning and Zoning Dept. 385 S. Goliad Street Rockwall, TX 75087

You may also email your comments to the Planning Department at planning@rockwall.com. If you choose to email the Planning Department please include your name and address for identification purposes.

Your comments must be received by Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 4:00 PM to ensure they are included in the information provided to the Historic Preservation Advisory Board.

Sincerely,

Ryan Miller, AICP Director of Planning & Zoning

#### PLEASE RETURN THE BELOW FORM

Case No. H2023-006: Certificate of Appropriateness for 303 Williams Street

#### Please place a check mark on the appropriate line below:

I am in favor of the request for the reasons listed below.

I am opposed to the request for the reasons listed below.

Name:

Address:

Tex. Loc. Gov. Code, Sec. 211.006 (d) If a proposed change to a regulation or boundary is protested in accordance with this subsection, the proposed change must receive, in order to take effect, the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of all members of the governing body. The protest must be written and signed by the owners of at least 20 percent of either: (1) the area of the lots or land covered by the proposed change; or (2) the area of the lots or land immediately adjoining the area covered by the proposed change and extending 200 feet from that area.

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