HISTORIC AND DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

June 03, 2015

Agenda Item No: 11

HDRC CASE NO:2015ADDRESS:115 TLEGAL DESCRIPTION:NCBZONING:RM4CITY COUNCIL DIST.:1DISTRICT:MonAPPLICANT:TomOWNER:AdaTYPE OF WORK:Insta

2015-226 115 W ASHBY PLACE NCB 1885 BLK LOT 6 RM4 H HS 1 Monte Vista Historic District Tom Stolhandske Ada Yrizarry Install barbed wire

REQUEST:

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness to install three strands of barbed wire at 6" apart on top of an existing wrought iron fence along the back property line.

APPLICABLE CITATIONS:

Historic Design Guidelines, Chapter 5, Guidelines for Site Elements 2. Fences and Walls

B. NEW FENCES AND WALLS

i. *Design*—New fences and walls should appear similar to those used historically within the district in terms of their scale, transparency, and character. Design of fence should respond to the design and materials of the house or main structure. v. *Appropriate materials*—*Construct new fences or walls of materials similar to fence materials historically used in the district. Select materials that are similar in scale, texture, color, and form as those historically used in the district, and that are compatible with the main structure. Screening incompatible uses*—*Review alternative fence heights and materials for appropriateness where residential properties are adjacent to commercial or other potentially incompatible uses*.

Unified Development Code, Sec. 35-514 Fences

(a) General.

(5) If the subject property is within a historic district, corridor overlay or a neighborhood conservation district the director of planning and community development must make a finding of compliance and compatibility with the provisions of the historic, corridor and/or neighborhood conservation district prior to issuance of a building permit for any fence.

(6) All fences shall be constructed of wood, chain link, stone, rock, concrete block, masonry brick, brick, decorative wrought iron or other material(s) which are similar in durability. The following materials shall not be used for fencing:

c. Barbed wire, razor wire, and other similar fencing materials capable of inflicting significant physical injury; provided, however, that barbed wire may be permitted by right within a governmental facility and through an administrative exception of the development services director for private nonresidential facilities where all of the following findings of fact are made:

1. The barbed wire, where proposed to be located, will not be capable of inflicting significant physical injury to the general public,

2. The fence proposed with barbed wire is located behind a minimum setback line except where surrounded by established industrial uses,

3. The barbed wire is demonstrated by the applicant as a requirement for facility operations and for secured areas within the facility,

4. The barbed wire conforms with the requirements of section 6-2 of the building code.

City of San Antonio Code of Ordinances, Sec. 6-2 Fences

(b) *Barbed wire*. It shall be unlawful for any person to erect or cause to be erected on any street or property within the city, any fence composed either wholly or in part of barbed wire, unless the use of such barbed wire is restricted to the

placing of not more than three (3) strands thereof at the top of any fence over six (6) feet in height, provided such strand or strands slant away from the street or adjoining property and toward the property such fence may bound. Should the uppermost strand of barbed wire be not more than eighteen (18) inches higher than the top of the fence, and not over ten (10) feet from ground level, the strands of barbed wire shall not be considered in determining fence height restrictions.

FINDINGS:

- a. Consistent with the Guidelines for Site Elements, fences should appear similar to those used historically within the district in terms of their scale, transparency, and character. Design of fences should respond to the design and materials of the house or main structure. Fences featuring barbed wire are not historically found or in keeping with the character of the Monte Vista Historic District.
- b. As recommended by the Guidelines for Site Elements, new fences should be constructed of materials similar to fence materials historically used in the district. Materials that are similar in scale, texture, color, and form as those historically used in the district, and that are compatible with the main structure should be selected. The proposed installation of barbed wire is not consistent with other fences found historically in the district in terms of materials. The proposed barbed wire is not similar in scale, texture, or form to materials used historically within the district for the construction of fences.
- c. According to Section 35-514 of the UDC, barbed wire in historic districts may be permitted in private non-residential facilities when approved by the HDRC and after receiving an administrative exception issued by the Development Services Department. Barbed wire installation may be allowed when no more than three strands are placed at the top of any fence over six feet in height, provided such strand or strands slant away from the street or adjoining property and toward the property, the uppermost strand of barbed wire is no more than eighteen inches higher than the top of the fence, and not over ten feet from ground level.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff does not recommend approval based on findings a-b. If the HDRC approves the request, staff recommends the following stipulations:

- a. No more than three strands are placed
- b. The strands slant away from the adjoining property
- c. The top strand is maximum 18" higher than the fence
- d. The overall fence height does not exceed 10 ft.

CASE MANAGER:

Adriana Ziga





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OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

This Application is <u>only</u> for the removal of razor wire and the replacement with barbed wire as set out by the City of San Antonio Development Services Dept.

The removal and replacement was completed. Some of the removed wire was not replaced with barbed wire.

The enclosed photographs and other document is to clarify the work done and to meet your requirements:

- 1. Completed Certificate of Appropriateness form
- 2. Photograph of front view of structure
- 3. Site plan
- 4. Only barbed wire, no materials
- 5. Will produce sample of barbed wire if requested

The signage fee: not sure of the fee since no construction is being done.



Hello

Your Applicant, Ada C. Yrizarry, owner of 115 W. Ashby Place, San Antonio, Texas, for the past 20 years, requests that the Historic Preservation Committee, after review, grant the Applicant the "permit" to retain the barbed wire as installed on the back fence. The fence is in compliance with Code regulations, and Code Compliance permitted the change to barbed wire.

- Applicant purchased the property in 1990, and on August 31, 1995, the property was changed to R-2 by Ordinance #82627. The wire was in place at the time of purchase in 1990. The building is the dental office of Dr. Ada C. Yrizarry; the second floor is Dr. Yrizarry's residence.
- Subsequently, Applicant obtained a Certificate of Occupancy, Permit 298380, and started Dr. Yrizarry's bed and breakfast; she has operated this bed and breakfast continuously from that date.
- 3. The 115 W. Ashby Place property is in an area where she is bordered by commercial property to the east and south of West Ashby. An attachment hereto shows those properties. Also attached is a copy of a letter to the President of the Monte Vista HOA requesting their assistance in Dr. Yrizarry's attempt to follow the HOA rules as well as the laws of the City of San Antonio.
- 4. The San Antonio Crime Index rates this area as extremely high. A copy of the Index is attached hereto. The fact that the Applicant keeps certain drugs makes the office a desirable target, and several attempts have been made. Due to the wire on the rear fence, this deterent has foiled several attempts to enter the property.

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING CHAPTER 35 OF THE CITY CODE THAT CONSTITUTES THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION OF AND REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. Section 35-3007 of the Unified Development Code which is Chapter 35 of the City Code and constitutes the comprehensive zoning ordinace of the City of San Antonio is hereby amended so that it shall hereafter include the following described changes of classification and the rezoning of the hereinafter designated property, to-wit:

CASE NO. Z95165 CC

The rezoning and reclassification of property from Historic "B" Residence District to Historic "R-2" CC Two Family Residence District with special City Council approval for a bed and breakfast listed below as follows:

Lot 6, NCB 1885 115 W. Ashby

SECTION 2. All other provisions of Chapter 35, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect, including the penalties for violations as made and provided in Section 35-1024.

SECTION 3. The Director of Planning shall change the zoning records and maps in accordance herewith and the same shall be available and open to the public for inspection.

SECTION 4: This ordinance is not severable.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____DAY OF _____19 ____

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	N.C.B. 1885 Zone R2 Certificate of Occupancy Permit No. 278380
	nd the following occupancy thereof is hereby authorized:
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September 9, 2013

Ms. Linda Davis 108 W. French San Antonio, Texas 78212

RE: Fence Violation Notice to Dr. Ada Yrizarry @ 115 W. Ashby Place

Dear Ms. Daniels:

This letter is to call upon you, as the President of Monte Vista HOA, for advice.

A resident owner of the property at 115 W. Ashby Place, San Antonio, Texas, has been noticed of a violation of City Code 35-514.

Dr. Yrizarry, the owner of the property, has sent three (3) letters to the City requesting a meeting to discuss the problem they have filed. Dr. Yrizarry does want to follow the Monte Vista HOA rules, as well as the laws of the City of San Antonio.

In an effort to do this, she has been denied a meeting by their failure to respond. Therefore, I am asking for input from the HOA.

Very truly yours,

TOM STOLHANDSKE

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Exh.bit A

Front of 115 W Ashby PI SAN ANTONIO, TX

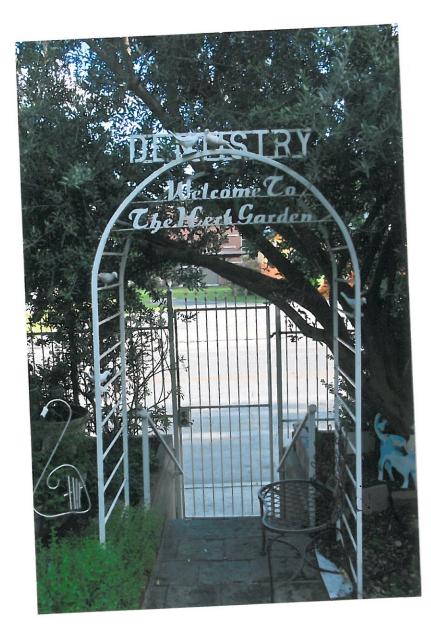


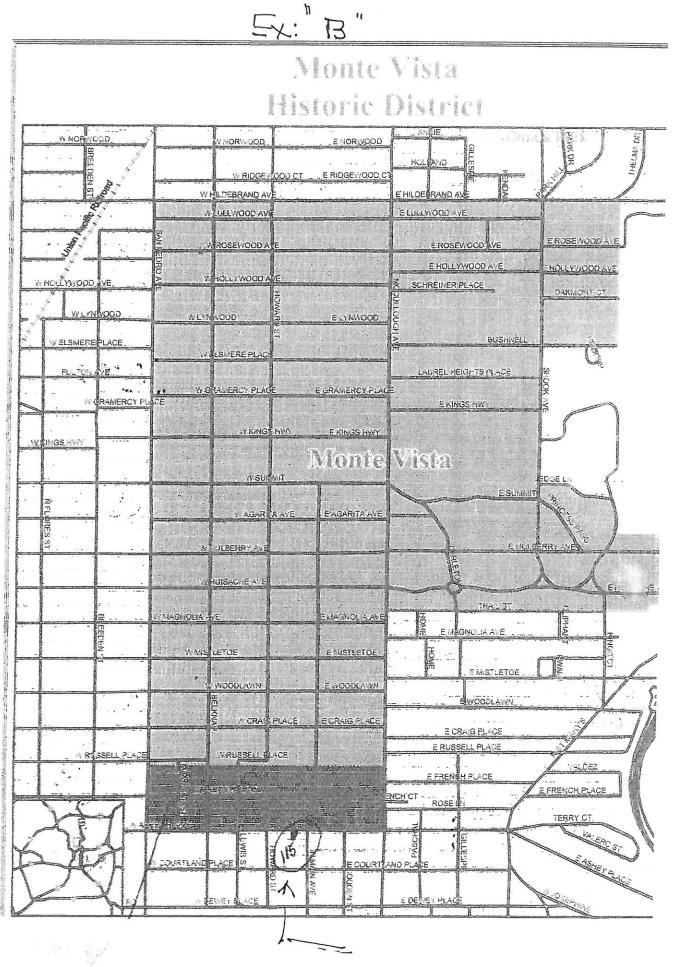
A - 1Rear of 115 W Ashby Pl.



Exhibit A-2

Photograph of Entrance to 115 EAShby PL.





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ADA NIVIA C. YRIZARRY

is legally qualified to practice Dentistry in this State under the laws of Texas governing such practice

EXPIRATION DATE

April 30, 2016

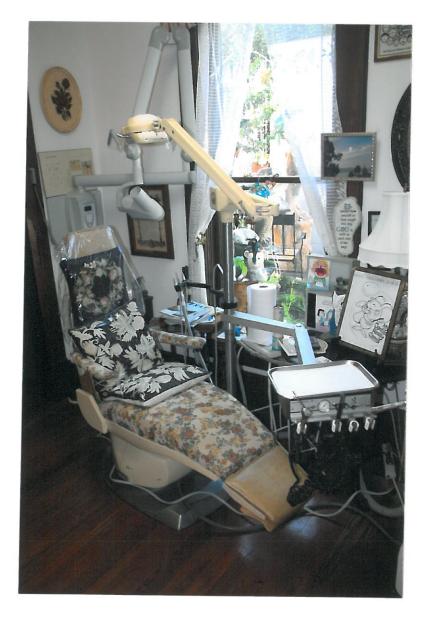
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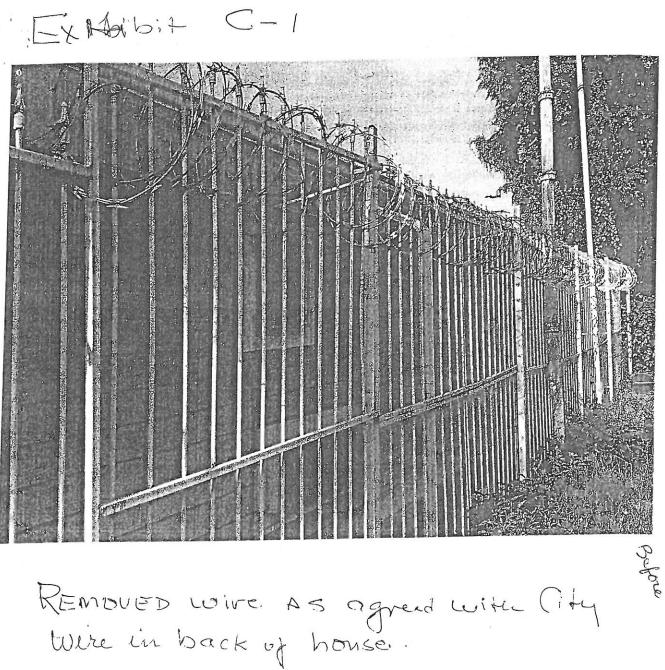
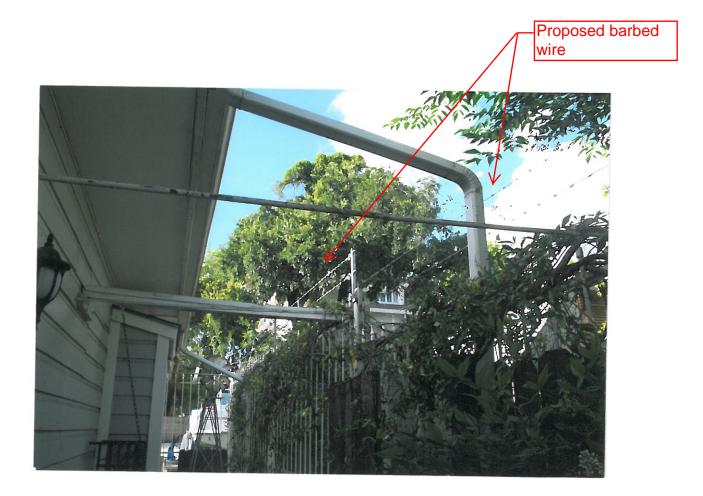


Exhibit C-2



View of back fence - See Exhibit C-1 After removal and addition of Barb Were. Wire 3 strands - 6" apart - meets Standard requirements Not AllowED to take picture from other side.

EXHIbit C-3

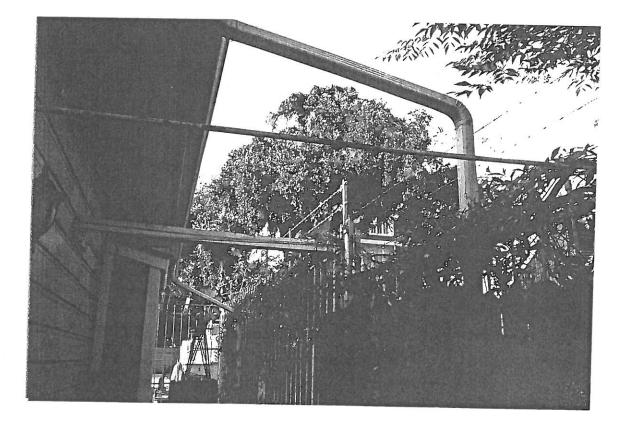


Front VIEW OF Bread : Breakfast See Exhibit C-2 - Fence in question directly behind Bread break Fast

Exhibit D-1 Drive to back of House. With gate -



Exhibit D=2



View of back fence - See Exhibit C-1 After removal addition of Barb Wire. Wire 3 strands - 6" apart - meets Standard requirements Not AllowED to take picture from other side.

Exhibit D-Z

LEFT SIDE of 115 W Qshby PI (NOWIVE) REMOVED.



