



SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

October 17, 2018

STATEMENT:

TO: Michael Guarino, Chair, and Members
Historic and Design Review Commission, City of San Antonio

RE: Agenda Item 17 – 311 E. Courtland Place / 2002 McCullough Ave.
HDRC Case No. 2018-515 (Tobin Hill Historic District)

The San Antonio Conservation Society opposes the proposed construction of nine, single family townhomes at 311 E. Courtland Place and 2002 McCullough Avenue. Although a comparison of height has been made between the townhomes and neighboring structures, the scale of the new project is visually disproportionate to the surrounding structures. Existing structures balance their height with a building mass large enough to create a desirable scale. The townhomes, with a smaller footprint, read on a scale that is incongruent with the neighboring structures. Moreover, the nine townhomes do not maintain the visual rhythm that currently exists with the adjacent structures.

Less building density and a reduction of scale would be more appropriate for this site.

Respectfully submitted,

SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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