

SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

October 11, 2018

STATEMENT:

The Honorable Ron Nirenberg, Mayor, and Members

San Antonio City Council

RE: Item No. 20: Resolution initiating historic landmark designation for 901

Nogalitos Street

The San Antonio Conservation Society urges the landmark designation of this historic building. Built in 1934, this is the only surviving station from San Antonio's Pure Oil company. It has architectural integrity and meets six of the criteria for designation. It is one of the top 30 most significant stations identified in a survey of over 1500 that the San Antonio Conservation Society began in 1983.

Designation of the gas station affects roughly 12% of a large piece of property, providing a wide range of economically viable options for the owner. In a city with so many successfully preserved gas stations, this building adds value to the site, making it a prime candidate for redevelopment.

Under the recommendation of Councilwoman Shirley Gonzales, the Society made a generous offer to buy this property and engaged architects to illustrate a plan for the site's redevelopment and preservation of the gas station.

We remain ready to assist in the improvement of this site and hope that you will support this resolution.

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