



SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION SOCIETY

April 17, 2019

STATEMENT:

TO: Historic and Design Review Commission, City of San Antonio

RE: Agenda Item B-16: 415 N Mesquite Street / 105-113 Brown
HDRC Case No. 2019-197

While the Society is not opposed to appropriate infill in Dignowity Hill, we do have a few concerns about this project.

The scale of these units, being three-stories each, is not compatible with the surrounding residential structures. This is especially evident at Brown and Mesquite, where two proposed three-story units seem to surround and dominate the existing historic single-story house.

We also question the use of flat roofed, modernistic architecture that is illustrated in one of the units. This type of design is not compatible with the historic neighborhood residential design vocabulary and is inconsistent, in design, with the other proposed units presented in this project.

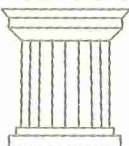
There is also some inconsistency in fenestration proportions and patterns on the units that do not seem to conform to the historic patterns seen throughout the neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted,

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