

June 17, 2020

## STATEMENT:

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

RE: Item 18: 1026 Hays Street

HDRC Case No.: 2020-234

Historic District Name: Dignowity Hill

The Conservation Society of San Antonio objects to the proposed reconfiguration of the front façade of 1026 Hays. This is a fine example of a Craftsman Bungalow, defined by two gable roofs facing the street delineating the entrance porch and the main body of the house. The proposed front addition would obliterate this historic design and create an entirely new roofline. We support the Office of Historic Preservation recommendation that the front addition not be approved. The original orientation of the roof forms and porch should be preserved.

Secondly, we support the Office of Historic Preservation recommendation that the side and rear additions be moved back so that they are clearly subsidiary to the original house. Finally, we concur with the Staff recommendation that the historic windows that are repairable should be retained to the greatest extent possible.

Respectfully submitted,

THE CONSERVATION SOCIETY OF SAN ANTONIO

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