



## Preservation Advocacy Issue Identification Worksheet - EXAMPLE

Preservation Austin (PA) exists to empower Austinites to shape a more inclusive, resilient, and meaningful community culture through preservation. Our Board of Directors decides to engage in advocacy issues following recommendations from our Advocacy Committee. Preference will go to issues that fall within our nonprofit's adopted advocacy priorities in a given year, and that align with our mission, values, and capacity for engagement.

The FY21 advocacy priorities are as follows:

1. Underrepresented/Under-told Heritage
2. AISD School Closures/Decommissioning
3. Citywide Preservation Plan/Historic Preservation Ordinance/Land Development Code
4. 87th Texas Legislative Session

Only the official representatives from Preservation Austin have the authority to speak directly on the organizations positions on issues.

PA must have a thorough understanding of an issue before engaging in advocacy on its behalf. If you are requesting our organization's involvement please answer the following questions thoroughly and to the best of your knowledge. The PA webpage "[Advocacy Basics](#)" may assist in answering some questions.

*Submitting this form is the first step in evaluation and does not guarantee PA's involvement.*

1. Name of Person Submitting Worksheet
2. Name of Property Owner(s), if different than above
3. Are you a member of Preservation Austin?
4. Does the issue fit under the annual advocacy priorities, if so which one?
5. Please briefly describe the issue including any background information that might be informative.

7. If the issue is related to a specific property, please list the address and provide any photo documentation that may be helpful.
8. If the issue is related to a specific property, is the building's age known?
9. If the issue is related to a specific property, is the site designated a City of Austin Landmark, a Recorded Texas Historical Landmark, a State Antiquities Landmark, or listed in the National Register of Historic Places?
10. Does the building or site have an unique significance to the Austin community? If so, please describe.
11. Are you part of a local community group that is working to protect the site? If so, please describe the efforts your group has already taken regarding the issue.
12. Please list any other potential partners that may share an interest in the issue, building, or site.
13. Do you have a plan of action to reach your desired outcome?
14. What type of support are you requesting? Ex. A letter in support, speaking to elected officials, submitting testimony to city commissions, etc.
15. What is the time-frame?
16. Is this an emergency? If a governing body is making a decision on this property, please include these details.

Upon completion, please submit to Lindsey Derrington, Executive Director, at [lindsey@preservationaustin.org](mailto:lindsey@preservationaustin.org). Questions may be directed at (512) 474-5198 ext. 7728.

*PA's support for requests is strictly at the discretion of the Board of Directors.*