



AIA Austin

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Steve Sadowsky
Historic Preservation Office
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Dear Mr. Sadowsky,

AIA Austin is a growing organization with over 1,000 local architects, designers, and allied members. Our mission is to be the voice for our region's architecture community. We advocate for our members, the profession, career development, and design excellence. We influence public opinion and policies that shape our built and natural environment.

Our parent organization, AIA National states, "We stand for architecture that strengthens our communities." Our efforts to fulfill our vision include many programs, presentations, and exhibits, including most recently a joint effort with the Austin History Center an exhibit entitled, *Fehr & Granger, Architects—Austin Modernists*.

The exhibit features historic photos and architectural drawings documenting Fehr & Granger's Central Texas interpretation of Modernism in buildings such as the Austin National Bank Drive-In, the Robert Mueller Municipal Airport control tower and the St. Elmo-Tel.

In response to our charge to advocate for the quality of our built environment and sense of community, AIA Austin supports the efforts of Austin's Historic Landmark Commission to highlight those cultural and historic resources that are uniquely Austin. Therefore, we encourage you to recognize and honor key examples of architecture specific to our region, especially those envisioned by local architects and which hold a special value within our community, such as the remaining examples of Fehr & Granger's work.

Sincerely,

Luis Jauregui
2017 President
AIA Austin