

# Letter to Buyer

This property is ideal for the people looking for a touch of country living in the middle of town. It is close to the Energy Corridor, the Memorial Area Medical Complex and City Center. The neighborhood includes large lots with mature trees that attract an array of "city" wildlife. It is common to see squirrels, rabbits, owls, possums and racoons along with a dizzying array of songbirds on my daily runs through the neighborhood with my Bobbydog. Whether sitting on the front porch under the ceiling fans or in the shade by the pool, this neighborhood is perfect for relaxing in your country home smack in the middle of town.

The garage is a craftsman's or mechanic's dream. The drive through door arrangement provides ample ventilation and the workshop includes a window unit for air-conditioned comfort.

There is nothing quite like having the horses in the backyard. The barn is set up to be highly functional. With a couple of large shop fans, the barn stays quite comfortable, even on the hottest summer days. But on the few days when it does get cold, the barn can be closed up and heated to a comfortable temperature with just a small electric space heater. As a rule, the only time I have to blanket my horses is when we are on the road to competitions during the winter.

I contact the coop teacher at the local high school to find stable boys that want to work after school. They maintain the barn and stalls so that you can keep the horses with a minimum of effort. I have a service that empties the compost pile once every 3-4 months when it fills up. I have ample storage such that I only have to go buy hay twice a year and feed once every couple of months.

I regularly take kids for a ride around the quiet neighborhood. Everyone gets a kick out of seeing the horses go by their front yard. But when you want to get out for a longer ride, you will only be minutes away from the Addicks Reservoir where you can ride the dam around to the big rookery by the spillway. Just a few more minutes away is the Terry Hershey Trail System that includes a dedicated equestrian area with trailer parking. The trails there seem endless. Or you can ride the Terry Hershey trails along the Buffalo Bayou. There are underpasses along those trails such that it is possible to go about 20 miles in one direction without having to cross a surface street. It is a great place to ride your horses or bike or just go for that long run with your dog.

There aren't many places where you can go for a long ride down the Bayou, watching the deer, rabbits, squirrels and foxes (not to mention the wild array of birding opportunities), then drop off the horses and be back at City Center for an elegant dinner in a matter of minutes.