



Unfortunately, USTA appears to be uninterested in exploring the reuse of the Texas Pavilion/ITC. A request for qualifications to reuse the site, which noted the building's historic significance, was issued in 2016 and subsequently cancelled. In February 2024, UTSA entered into an exclusive option with the City of San Antonio to redevelop the land. While the details of the agreement have not been made public, a 23 February 2024 article in the San Antonio ExpressNews cited plans to turn the entire area into a sports and entertainment complex.

We support the Conservation Society of San Antonio's nomination of the Texas Pavilion/ITC for inclusion as a Texas State Antiquities Landmark, and for its listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Such listing would not only honor the important history of the building and its architect, but it also opens access to historic rehabilitation tax credits, which can be used to leverage creative adaptive reuse of the building. We strongly encourage USTA to explore options for the reuse of the building.

In encouraging the retention and preservation of the Texas Pavilion/ITC, the Society of Architectural Historians joins with the Conservation Society of San Antonio and encourages USTA to look for ways that the building might be creatively reused. The Texas Pavilion/ITC is an architectural landmark of national and international distinction and is well deserving of this protection. We urge the Texas Historical Commission to designate the building as a Texas State Antiquities Landmark, and for USTA to creatively reuse it.