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United States Dist. Judge Bailey Brown will file a written order next week deciding whether to allow the state to demolish the two remaining structures in the right-of-way of the Interstate 40 expressway.

He had scheduled a hearing on the issue for 2 p.m. yesterday, but the Citizens to Preserve Overton Park notified him earlier they had decided not to oppose the demolition.

The Tennessee Department of Transportation asked for permission to destroy the buildings in a petition filed in federal court Oct. 31. The structures involved are the old City Fire Station at Broad and East Parkway and a vacated house at 3163 Broad.

Charles F. Newman, attorney for the Citizens to Preserve Overton Park, said yesterday, "We don't necessarily agree with the state's request, but we have decided not to oppose it."

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