
**HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION**

Landmark/District:	Capitol Hill Historic District	<input type="checkbox"/> Agenda
Address:	616 D St NE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent
ANC:	6C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Concept
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alteration
Meeting Date:	July 25, 2019	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Construction
Case Number:	19-441	<input type="checkbox"/> Demolition
		<input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision

Applicants Richard and Virginia Galbraith, with plans prepared by architect Michael Burns, seek concept review for a two-story plus raised cellar rear addition on a property located in the Capitol Hill Historic District.

Property Description

The subject property was built in 1910 as part of a larger development of a two-block area subdivided and built out within a five year period by the Kennedy Brothers with architect A. H. Sonnemann. This brick three-story rowhouse has angled bays at the front and rear. At the front elevation there is a small dormer window, and at the rear a two-story open porch.



Front elevation of 616 D Street, NE



View of the rear of property

Proposal

There are no changes proposed at the front elevation or to the existing rear garage. The proposed rear addition would be partial-width at just over 11 feet and would extend back just over 12.5 feet. The form of the addition would emulate the existing angled bays at the front and rear but would be clad in cement-board siding. There would be smaller wood porches on the first and second stories over the angled bay.

Evaluation

The addition is modest in size, extending past the rear additions of its two adjacent neighbors, but to a similar depth to others on the block. The location of the proposed addition retains an existing leaded-glass window at the rear of the property. Though the form has been taken from the existing rear bay, this addition would be distinguished through the use of siding.

Recommendation

The HPO recommends the Board find the project to be compatible with the Capitol Hill historic district, and delegate final approval to staff.

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