HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Landmark/District: Address: ANC:	Capitol Hill Historic District 718 North Carolina Avenue, S.E. 6B	 () Agenda (x) Consent (x) Concept
Meeting Date: Case Number:	March 23, 2023 23-179	 (x) Alteration () New Construction () Demolition () Subdivision

Applicant Joseph Britton, with plans by architect Michael Fowler, seeks concept review for a two-story rear addition at a property located in the Capitol Hill Historic District.

Property Description

718 North Carolina Avenue SE was built in 1905 by August Getz and Son based on a design by Joseph Bohn Jr. The brick three-story with raised basement rowhome has an existing two-story open porch at the rear of the property.

Proposal

The existing rear ell (dogleg) would effectively be extended by a raised two-story enclosed porch measuring 15 feet by 15 feet. At the basement, the addition would be on brick piers enclosed by a lattice screen. The first and second stories would have railings between columns and the walls would be screened. A shallow landing and stair lead to the rear yard.

Evaluation

The form of the rear ell is retained, and the design reflects the form of the existing rear porches. Enclosed sleeping porches are common throughout the Capitol Hill historic district. The size of the addition is subservient to the existing building. The project is compatible with the building and historic district.

Recommendation

The HPO recommends the Board find the project compatible with the Capitol Hill historic district, and delegate authority to HPO Staff.

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