# HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Landmark/District: Capitol Hill Historic District () Agenda
Address: 915 Maryland Avenue, N.E. (x) Consent
ANC: 6A (x) Concept
() Alteration

Meeting Date: February 23, 2023 (x) New Construction

Case Number: 23-104 (x) Demolition

( ) Subdivision

Applicants Ramin and Sarah Taheri seek concept review for a second story garage addition at a property located in the Capitol Hill Historic District.

## **Property Description**

915 Maryland Avenue NE was designed by N. T. Haller Co. and built in 1904 as one of 5 by George P. Newton. The three-story brick rowhouse has a one-story brick garage at the rear of the property.



915 Maryland Avenue NE

## **Proposal**

Much of the existing garage would be demolished to allow for reconfiguring, and a second story added. The new height would be about 22 feet. The first story of the alley-facing elevation has a

pedestrian door next to a smaller garage door. At the second story are two one-over-one windows. All four elevations are shown in brick.



Context views of the surrounding alley on either side, subject property marked with star

#### **Evaluation**

The proposed design is generally in line with several previous Board approvals. The design would be more compatible with this historic district if more design elements were added to the alley facing elevation such as headers over the openings and a cornice.

#### Recommendation

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

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