# HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Property Address: Landmark/District:	2808 Ordway Street, NW Cleveland Park Historic District		Agenda Consent Calendar
Meeting Date: H.P.A. Number:	July 28, 2022 22-364	X X	Concept Review Alteration New Construction
			Demolition Subdivision

Applicant Lee Marsteller, on behalf of the owners, seeks concept review for construction of a twostory addition on the rear of a house in the Cleveland Park Historic District. Plans have been prepared by Cole Architects.

### **Property Description**

2808 Ordway Street is a two-story, flat front brick rowhouse constructed in 1940. The architect listed on the permit was Eldred Mowery who worked for the National Lumber Manufacturers Association in the 1920s and 30s designing model homes that promoted frame construction.

The house sits atop a tall berm with a portion of its basement level exposed at street level adjacent to a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> width uncovered front porch. It abuts an alley and a five-story apartment building facing Connecticut Avenue to the east and a row of bungalows to the west. In its rowhouse form and spare detailing, the house is unusual for the Cleveland Park Historic District.

#### Proposal

The plans call for constructing a two-story rear addition, measuring 23'5" deep for the full 18' width of the house. The addition would be clad in horizontal siding with double hung windows on the sides and double hung windows and French doors on the rear.

## Evaluation

The addition is compatible in size, height, scale, materials and fenestration with the house and the historic district.

## Recommendation

The HPO recommends that the Board find the addition to be compatible with the character of the Cleveland Park Historic District and that final approval be delegated to staff.