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

Property Address:	3411 Newark Street, NW	Agenda
Landmark/District:	Cleveland Park Historic District	X Consent Calendar
		X Concept Review
Meeting Date:	November 18, 2021	X Alteration
H.P.A. Number:	22-037	New Construction
		Demolition

Architect Chris Lyon, on behalf of the owner, seeks concept design review for renovations and a two-story rear addition on a contributing house in the Cleveland Park Historic District.

Property History and Description

The house was designed and built in 1904 by John Sherman, who is responsible for many of the earliest, Craftsman style bungalows and cottages in the original Cleveland Park subdivision along Macomb and Newark streets. However, the house has been altered since its original construction, with the removal of a full width, wrap-around front porch and the loss of its original windows, resulting in a more Colonial Revival appearance.

Proposal

The project calls for adding a two-story rear addition that spans the width of the house and across the back of the side porch, capped by a cross hipped roof. Windows on the addition would be multi-pane casements, and the windows in the house would be replaced with multi-pane double hungs. The side porch, currently enclosed with plate glass, would be refenestrated with multi-pane casements matching those on the addition. The non-original front porch stoop and metal overhang would be replaced with a more substantial columned portico and stair. Window wells would be added to several basement windows.

Evaluation

While not replicating its original condition, the new front porch and portico are appropriately scaled for the house and consistent with its Colonial Revival restyling. The rear addition is compatible and subordinate to the house. As the design of the side porch enclosure is finalized, the plans should ensure that the original corner brackets are retained.

Recommendation

The HPO recommends that the Review Board find the concept compatible with the property and historic district, and that final construction plan approval be delegated to staff.

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