## HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Landmark/District: Address:	Cleveland Park Historic District 3414 Porter Street NW	<ul><li>( ) Agenda</li><li>(X) Consent</li></ul>
Meeting Date:	July 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	<ul><li>(X) Concept</li><li>(X) Alteration</li></ul>
Case Number:	18-521	<ul> <li>( ) New Construction</li> <li>( ) Demolition</li> <li>( ) Subdivision</li> </ul>

Property owner Nicolas Durand seeks conceptual review for a project at 3414 Porter Street NW.

Built in 1925 by architecture firm Rodier & Kundzin, 3414 is a brick, two-story town house influenced by the French Colonial style popular in the 1920s. The two-bay opening wide property features a single car garage and driveway at the ground level with two French doors in each bay opening on the first floor, and one over one windows at the second floor. A brick chimney tops a hipped roof that has dormers on the west and south slopes and is covered in asphalt shingles.

## Proposal

This project proposes to install solar panels at the west and south slopes of the roof.

## **Evaluation**

The applicant has painstakingly followed the guidelines recommended by the Board for installing solar panels to develop a compatible proposal. The solar panels are proposed on secondary roof slopes, outside of prominent sightlines. They will be mounted as close to the roof surface as possible to present a flat appearance, and the panels attempt to match the color of the roof. While there will be two panels placed forward of the western dormer that will have minor visibility from an oblique angle on the street, the extent of visibility will not result in an incompatible or discordant alteration to the roofline or building appearance.

## Recommendation

The HPO recommends that the Review Board find the concept for panels to be compatible with the character of the historic district, and delegate final approval to staff.

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