HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Landmark/District: **Foxhall Village Historic District** () Agenda 4415 Q Street NW (x) Consent Address: (x) Concept October 23, 2014 (**x**) Alteration Meeting Date: Case Number: () New Construction 14-620 Staff Reviewer: **Frances McMillen** () Demolition () Subdivision

Applicant Farrokh Khatami, with drawings prepared by Mehrdad Bedroud, request concept review for a rear addition to 4415 Q Street NW in the Foxhall Village Historic District.

Property Description

Designed by architect James Cooper for builder Boss & Phelps, 4415 Q Street NW is a two-story Tudor Revival house constructed in 1927.

Proposal

The proposal calls for a two-story rear addition measuring approximately 9' by 18'. The addition would be clad in cement board siding and fenestration includes a mix of double-hung and fixed light windows. The proposal includes the removal of the stairs and most interior walls and partitions. The plans indicate the floor systems and the roof will be retained. The proposal also includes relocating the gas meter from the basement to the front of the house.

Evaluation

The addition is compatible with the house and the historic district in terms of overall massing, height, fenestration, and materials. The applicant has worked with staff on the rear fenestration and is encouraged to continue refining the design as the plans progress. The amount of interior demolition and the removal of the rear wall are consistent with similar projects approved by the Board. The applicant is encouraged to work with staff as the project develops to finalize the plans and limit the removal of additional building fabric. It is also recommended that the applicant consult with staff on the location of the gas meter.

Recommendation

The HPO recommends that the Board find the concept compatible with the historic district and delegate final approval to staff with the condition the applicant consult with staff on the location of the gas meter and limit any additional demolition.