HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Property Address: Landmark/District:	6901 Willow Street, NW Takoma Park Historic District	Agenda Consent Calendar Concept Review
Meeting Date: H.P.A. Number:	July 27, 2023 23-178	Alteration New Construction Subdivision

Jemal's WTU LLC, with plans prepared by Eric Colbert & Associates Architects, returns for ongoing concept review for construction of a three-story apartment building in the Takoma Park Historic District. At the May meeting, the Board asked that further study be undertaken of how the roof meets the side walls and whether breaking the plane of the continuous roofline could help break down the scale of the building.

Revised Proposal

The edge of the roof overhang has been narrowed, the extent of overhang reduced by 15 inches, and pergola slats introduced to break up its continuous span.

Evaluation

The revisions are responsive to the Board's direction, resulting in the roof appearing lighter and retaining its overall integrity of form but its continuous-ness broken down by the pergola elements. The pergola elements will also provide animation to the building with changing light and shadow.

Recommendation

HPO recommends that the Board find the new construction project compatible with the Takoma Park Historic District and delegate final approval to staff.

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