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The Historic Preservation Committee of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society reviewed the revised plans for this project dated November 25, 2014. Our comments follow. At the hearing on this case on October 23, 2014, the Board found the concept generally compatible with the Capitol Hill historic district but with the conditions that the applicants study preserving more of the existing masonry walls, reducing the extent of new construction, and further distinguishing the original one-story building from the addition.

The applicant now proposes to retain a portion of the brick wall on the north elevation, and has emphasized the new construction by recessing the walls on the east and south elevations. We believe that he project is compatible with the Capitol Hill Historic District.

Thank you for considering our views.

Beth Purcell, Chair Historic Preservation Committee of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society