HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 4 Hickory Ave., Takoma Park  
Resource: Contributing Resource  
          Takoma Park Historic District  
Review: HAWP  
Case Number: 37/03-18N  
Applicant: Bill & Tracy Samuel  
Proposal: Alteration to Rear Addition

Meeting Date: 3/14/18  
Report Date: 3/7/18  
Public Notice: 2/28/18  
Tax Credit: None  
Staff: Dan Bruechert

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the HPC approve the HAWP application.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE: Contributing Resource to the Takoma Park Historic District
STYLE: Colonial Revival
DATE: c.1910s

The subject property is a two-and-a-half story, front gable house, two bays wide, with a two-story front porch. The house has clapboard siding and one-over-one windows on the front and side elevations. To the rear, there is a two-story, non-historic addition with exterior stairs. One-half of the second story of the addition is an enclosed in wood siding with sash windows while the other half is porch space. This addition is covered in a shed roof.

PROPOSAL

The applicant proposed to reconfigure the second floor of the non-historic addition by changing the roof from a shed to a hipped roof, enclosing the entire space, and installing a bank of casement windows with vertical beadboard trim. On the first floor the applicant proposes to remove a pair of non-historic sash windows and install a single four-lite casement in its place.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES:

When reviewing alterations and new construction within the Takoma Park Historic District several documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the historic preservation review guidelines in the approved
and adopted amendment for the Takoma Park Historic District (Design Guidelines), Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A), and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards). The pertinent information in these documents is outlined below.

*Takoma Park Historic District Design Guidelines*

There are two very general, broad planning and design concepts which apply to all categories. These are:

The design review emphasis will be restricted to changes that are at all visible from the public right-of-way, irrespective of landscaping or vegetation (it is expected that the majority of new additions will be reviewed for their impact on the overall district), and,

The importance of assuring that additions and other changes to existing structures act to reinforce and continue existing streetscape, landscape, and building patterns rather than to impair the character of the district.

Contributing Resources should receive a more lenient review than those structures that have been classified as Outstanding. This design review should emphasize the importance of the resource to the overall streetscape and its compatibility with existing patterns rather than focusing on a close scrutiny of architectural detailing. In general, however, changes to Contributing Resources should respect the predominant architectural style of the resource. As stated above, the design review emphasis will be restricted to changes that are *at all visible from the public right-of-way*, irrespective of landscaping or vegetation.

Some of the factors to be considered in reviewing HAWPs on Contributing Resources include:

All exterior alterations, including those to architectural features and details, should be generally consistent with the predominant architectural style and period of the resource and should preserve the predominant architectural features of the resource; exact replication of existing details and features is, however, not required,

Minor alterations to areas that do not directly front on a public right-of-way such as vents, metal stovepipes, air conditioners, fences, skylights, etc. – should be allowed as a matter of course; alterations to areas that do not directly front on a public way-of-way which involve the replacement of or damaged to original ornamental or architectural features are discouraged, but may be considered and approved on a case-by-case basis

Major additions should, where feasible, be placed to the rear of existing structures so that they are less visible from the public right-of-way; additions and alterations to the first floor at the front of a structure are discouraged, but not automatically prohibited

While additions should be compatible, they are not required to be replicative of earlier architectural styles

Some non-original building materials may be acceptable on a case-by-case basis;
artificial siding on areas visible to the public right-of-way is discouraged where such materials would replace or damage original building materials that are in good condition.

Alterations to features that are not visible from the public right-of-way should be allowed as a matter of course.

All changes and additions should respect existing environmental settings, landscaping, and patterns of open space.

**Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A-8(b)**

(b) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to insure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:

1. The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or
2. The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or

**STAFF DISCUSSION**

All the work proposed is on the second-floor rear addition. The applicant proposes to remove the shed roof and replace it with a hipped roof with architectural shingles; install six new casement windows to the rear, and two new sash windows to each side of the addition. The applicant also proposed to remove two non-historic windows from the rear addition on the first floor and replace it with a single four-lite casement window. Staff recommends approval of this HAWP.

Due to this houses' placement, it is highly visible from both Hickory and Columbia Aves. in Takoma Park. Additionally, due to Columbia Ave.'s slope, the rear additions are highly visible. However, Staff finds that the proposed alteration will not change the impact this non-historic addition has on the surrounding district.

First, converting this shed roof to a hipped roof will be barely discernable from street level. A hipped roof is appropriate for the style and time period of this house and is appropriately differentiated from the historic portion of the house. This new feature will not substantially alter any of the exterior features of the house (24A-(b)(1)) and is compatible with the historic resource (per the Design Guidelines). The proposed architectural shingles are also compatible with the historic resource as they will match the shingles on the historic portion of the house.

Second, fully enclosing the second floor of the addition will not have a substantial impact on the historic resource or the surrounding historic district. In fact, the open portion of this addition is difficult to see from the public right-of-way. As this space is also covered by the same porch, the massing of this element will not change substantially. The proposed four-lite casement windows
are in keeping with the windows installed in the non-historic addition below.\textsuperscript{1} Below the windows, the applicant proposes to install “Boral” vertical beadboard. While Staff finds that the “Boral” beadboard is likely an acceptable material, the HPC may determine that a smooth panel, similar to what is installed on the rear elevation of the first floor of the addition, may be a more appropriate finish for the rear elevation.

On the first floor of street-facing façade of the rear addition the applicant proposes to remove the two non-historic sash windows and install a single four-lite casement window. This proposed window will match the appearance and dimensions of the replacement windows installed on the rear of the first-floor addition. Staff finds that this window is compatible in dimension and appearance with the windows on the rear addition and is compatible with the house and the surrounding district (per 24A-(b)(2)). Staff recommends approval of this alteration.

Staff finds that this proposed work is compatible with the character of the historic resource and that it will not be a detriment to the historic house or the surrounding district (per 24A-8(b)(2)).

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Commission approve the HAWP application as being consistent with Chapter 24A-8 and the Takoma Park Historic District Design Guidelines;

and with the general condition applicable to all Historic Area Work Permits that the applicant will present 3 permit sets of drawings to HPC staff for review and stamping prior to submission for permits (if applicable). After issuance of the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) permit, the applicant will arrange for a field inspection by calling the DPS Field Services Office at 240-777-6370 prior to commencement of work and not more than two weeks following completion of work.

\textsuperscript{1} The windows circled in the window spec sheet provided with the application materials show a six-lite window. The circled windows show only the identified size and do not indicate the proposed grille. The window proposed for this HAWP is a four-lite casement window.
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
301/563-3400

APPLICATION FOR
HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT

Contact Email: jane@treacyeagleburger.com Contact Person: Jane Treacy
elena@treacyeagleburger.com Daytime Phone No.: 202-362-5226
Tax Account No.: 01060134
Name of Property Owner: Bill & Tracy Samuel Daytime Phone No.: 202-258-7125
Address: 4 Hickory Avenue Takoma Park Maryland 20912
Street Number: Street: City: Zip Code:
Contractor: TBD Phone No.: TBD
Contractor Registration No.: TBD
Agent for Owner: Jane Treacy, Architect Daytime Phone No.: 202-362-5226

LOCATION OF BUILDING PREMISE
House Number: 4 Street: Hickory Avenue
Town/City: Takoma Park Nearest Cross Street: Columbia Avenue
Lot: P1 Block: 20 Subdivision: 25
Lot: Foler: Parcel:

PART V: TYPE OF PERMIT, ACTION AND USE
1A. CHECK ALL APPLICABLE:
☐ Construct ☐ Extend ☐ Alter/Relocate
☐ A/C ☐ Slab ☐ Room Addition ☐ Porch ☐ Deck ☐ Shed
☐ Move ☐ Install ☐ Wreck/Flaaz ☐ Solar ☐ Fireplace ☐ Woodburning Stove ☐ Single Family
☐ Revision ☐ Repair ☐ Reversible
☐ Fence/Wall (complete Section 4) ☐ Other:
1B. Construction cost estimate: $150,000
1C. If this is a revision of a previously approved active permit, see Permit #

PART VI: COMPLETE FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND EXTEND/ADDITIONS
2A. Type of sewage disposal: 01 ☐ WSSC 02 ☐ Septic 03 ☐ Other: N.A.
2B. Type of water supply: 01 ☐ WSSC 02 ☐ Well 03 ☐ Other:

PART VII: COMPLETE ONLY FOR FENCE/RETAINING WALL
N.A.
3A. Height ______ feet ______ inches
3B. Indicate whether the fence or retaining wall is to be constructed on one of the following locations:
☐ On property line/property line ☐ Entirely on land of owner ☐ On public right of way/ easement

I hereby certify that I have the authority to make the foregoing application, that the application is correct, and that the construction will comply with plans approved by all agencies listed and I hereby acknowledge and accept this to be a condition for the issuance of this permit.

[Signature]
Signature of owner or authorized agent

2-7-14
Date

Approved: _______________________________ For Chairperson, Historic Preservation Commission
Disapproved: ______________________________ Signature: ______________________________ Date:

Application/Permit No.: ______________________ Date Filed: ______________________ Date Issued: ______________________

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR INSTRUCTIONS
THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETED AND THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION.

1. WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT
   a. Description of existing structure(s) and environmental setting, including their historical features and significance:
      #4 Hickory is located on the corner of Hickory and Columbia Avenues and has street
      frontage and views from both sides. The back of the house, which is also quite visible
      from Columbia Ave, has undergone a series of prior modifications.

   b. General description of project and its effect on the historic resource(s), the environmental setting, and, where applicable, the historic district:
      Alteration of an existing rear addition (second floor) which will remain inset from each side of the historic structure
      and the roof will remain lower than that of the historic structure. The one story shed-type roof old addition will be
      removed and/or covered by the hipped roof. New (4) tile wood Weather Shield casement windows will be added.
      In addition a pair of windows at first floor North side will be replace with a single 2 wide x 2 high wood
      Weather Shield double hung window.

2. SITE PLAN
   Site and environmental setting, drawn to scale. You may use your plat. Your site plan must include:
   a. the scale, north arrow, and date;
   b. dimensions of all existing and proposed structures; and
   c. site features such as walkways, driveways, fences, ponds, streams, trash dumpsters, mechanical equipment, and landscaping.

3. PLANS AND ELEVATIONS
   You must submit 2 copies of plans and elevations in a format no larger than 11" x 17". Plans on 8 1/2" x 11" paper are preferred.
   a. Schematic construction plans, with marked dimensions, indicating location, size and general type of walls, window and door openings, and other
      fixed features of both the existing resource(s) and the proposed work.
   b. Elevations (facades), with marked dimensions, clearly indicating proposed work in relation to existing construction and, when appropriate, context.
      All materials and fixtures proposed for the exterior must be noted on the elevations drawings. An existing and a proposed elevation drawing of each
      facade affected by the proposed work is required.

4. MATERIALS SPECIFICATIONS
   General description of materials and manufactured items proposed for incorporation in the work of the project. This information may be included on your
   design drawings.

5. PHOTOGRAPHS
   a. Clearly labeled photographic prints of each facade of existing resource, including details of the affected portions. All labels should be placed on the
      front of photographs.
   b. Clearly label photographic prints of the resource as viewed from the public right-of-way and of the adjoining properties. All labels should be placed on
      the front of photographs.

6. TREE SURVEY
   If you are proposing construction adjacent to or within the dripline of any tree 8" or larger in diameter (at approximately 4 feet above the ground), you
   must file an accurate tree survey identifying the size, location, and species of each tree of at least that dimension.

7. ADDRESSES OF ADJACENT AND CONFRONTING PROPERTY OWNERS
   For all projects, provide an accurate list of adjacent and confronting property owners (not tenants), including names, addresses, and zip codes. This list
   should include the owners of all lots or parcels which adjoin the parcel in question, as well as the owner(s) of lot(s) or parcel(s) which lie directly across
   the street/highway from the parcel in question.

PLEASE PRINT (IN BLUE OR BLACK INK) OR TYPE THIS INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE.
PLEASE STAY WITHIN THE GUIDES OF THE TEMPLATE, AS THIS WILL BE PHOTOCOPIED DIRECTLY ONTO MAILING LABELS.
**HAWP APPLICATION: MAILING ADDRESSES FOR NOTIFYING**
[Owner, Owner's Agent, Adjacent and Confronting Property Owners]

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REAR ELEVATION - EXISTING

SECOND STORY RENOVATION

RE-BUILD 2nd STORY
W/HIPPED ROOF,
FIBERGLASS ARCH SHINGLES

PTD. ALUM,
GUTTER TO
MATCH EXISTING

1x "DORAL" TRIM, TYP.
* "DORAL" VERTICAL
BEADBOARD

REAR ELEVATION PROPOSED

C' 5
1/4" = 1'-0"
Boral Limited

Boral is an international building and construction materials group, headquartered in Sydney, Australia. With annual sales over $5.0 billion, Boral has roughly 14,000 employees working across over 580 operating sites. Boral produces and distributes a broad range of Construction Materials including quarry products, cement, fly ash, pre-mix concrete and asphalt; and Building Products including clay brick, clay and concrete roof tiles, masonry products, plasterboard, windows and timber. Boral serves customers in the building and construction industries in three key geographical markets - Australia, the USA and Asia.

Boral USA

Headquartered in Roswell, Georgia, Boral USA has been in operation for more than 30 years—with a focus on being a leading manufacturer and supplier of building products and construction materials.

- Boral USA currently holds a variety of leadership positions in the building products and construction materials markets.
- The company is active in categories that show long-term growth opportunities.
- Boral USA is a leading manufacturer and marketer of:

  Boral Bricks – #1 brand of clay brick
  Boral Roofing – Largest manufacturer of clay & concrete roof tiles in the U.S.
  Cultured Stone® by Boral® – #1 brand of manufactured stone veneer
  Boral Material Technologies – A leading marketer of fly-ash
  Boral Composites - Producer of Boral TruExterior® Trim and other innovative poly-ash products
Boral TruExterior® Trim has created an entirely new category of exterior trim, bringing new levels of performance, features, and benefits. It truly is like no other.
A New Category of Exterior Trim

A New Category of Exterior Trim
- The first and only Poly-ash trim product, consisting of a blend of proprietary polymers and coal combustion products (ash).
- Poly-ash composition provides consistency throughout the material with virtually no moisture cycling* or expansion and contraction*.
- Developed with years of rigorous internal and 3rd party testing, proven with thousands of installations.
- Composed of more than 70% recycled materials.
- Boral TruExterior® Trim is a product you can trust to provide exceptional performance, superior workability and a lasting appearance for exterior applications.

An Excellent Exterior Trim Alternative

Like Wood, Boral TruExterior® Trim...
- is easy to handle (similar weight)
- is reversible with an authentic wood grain and smooth side
- is easy to cut, rout, drill and fasten
- can be installed with the same tools

Unlike Wood, Boral TruExterior® Trim...
- is a low maintenance product
- has exceptional durability
- is resistant to rotting, cracking, splitting from moisture and virtually free from termites*
- offers excellent workability

Unlike most other trim products, Boral TruExterior® Trim...
- maintains a high level of dimensional stability during periods of moisture and temperature change*
- is suitable for ground contact
- does not require end-sealing, special adhesives or other cumbersome and costly installation techniques
- can be painted any color
- contains one of the highest levels of recycled content

*Please see Boral TruExterior® Trim Limited Warranty and Product Data Sheets for proprietary test results located at www.BoralTruExterior.com
Boral TruExterior® Trim satisfies the exterior trim customer's need for a product that is:

- Easy to install
- Long-lasting, withstanding nature's elements
- Competitively priced compared to other products in the marketplace

Superior Workability
Boral TruExterior® Trim is creating an entirely new category of reliable exterior trim that offers phenomenal performance, remarkable workability, and a lasting look without the limitations that plague other exterior trim products. Plus it can be installed using proven woodworking tools and methods.

Applications
Designed to be used in non-structural applications, Boral TruExterior® Trim is suited for ground contact, which makes it ideal for exterior trim applications such as:

- Corners
- Soffits
- Fascia
- Batten strips
- Frieze boards
- Rake boards
- Garage door casings
- Window surrounds
- Door trim
- Other non-structural exterior trim applications
Boral TruExterior® Beadboard

Complimenting the 1x and 5/4 profiles, Boral TruExterior® Beadboard offers the traditional look of wood beadboard without the problems that plague wood products, such as rotting, cupping, and twisting. Boral TruExterior® Beadboard can be installed in either parallel, perpendicular, or diagonal directions. And its high level of dimensional stability\(^*\) allows fastening up to 24" on center without the need for additional support backing.

Boral TruExterior® Beadboard is designed for non-structural applications and is ideal for soffits, porch ceilings, decorative wall applications and other moisture-prone areas.

Boral TruExterior® Beadboard Facts

- Maintains high level of dimensional stability\(^*\)
- No need to prime end or field cuts
- Easily accepts paint of any color
- Reversible edge & center bead and V-groove profiles
- Workability exceeds wood beadboard
- Resists rot and termite attacks\(^*\)
- Installs with standard woodworking tools and methods
- No cracking or splitting from moisture
- Accepts a wide variety of fasteners
- Spans up to 24" on center and can be ran parallel to the house for soffit applications
- Made in the USA
- 20-year limited warranty

\(^*\)Please see Boral TruExterior® Trim Limited Warranty and Product Data Sheets for proprietary test results located at www.BoralTruExterior.com
Available Sizes

Boral TruExterior® Trim is reversible with wood grain on one side and a smooth finish on the reverse. It comes in 16' lengths and is available in both 4/4 and 5/4 thicknesses (3/4" and 1" actual, respectively).

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*Subject to regional availability.

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TAKE COMFORT IN SAVING ENERGY

DURATION® PREMIUM COOL SHINGLES

Durable, cool and energy efficient DURATION® PREMIUM COOL Shingles feature granules that reflect solar energy, which helps keep roofs cooler and decrease the amount of heat transferred to a home's interior—and the amount of air conditioning needed to keep it comfortable. Duration Premium COOL Shingles are ENERGY STAR® rated and offer a corresponding Owens Corning hip & ridge product for the finishing touch. These shingles also offer the advanced performance of patented SureNail® Technology.

FIND A CONTRACTOR (ROOFING/CONTRACTORS)

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COLOR OPTIONS

Duration Premium COOL Shingles
HARBOR FOG

https://www.owenscorning.com/roofing/shingles/duration-premium-cool/harbor-fog
**SureNail® Technology**

There's a line between a good shingle and a great shingle.

It's the nailing line on your shingles. The difference between a good shingle and a great shingle is having SureNail® Technology. With SureNail® Technology, strength and durability are built into every Duration® Series shingle, thanks to the unique fabric strip in the nailing area. This unique shingle design provides outstanding gripping power.

**SureNail® Detail**
- **Patented SureNail® Technology** — Only from Owens Corning and featured on our Duration® Series shingles.
- **Breakthrough Design** — The tough-engineered woven-fabric nailing strip is embedded in the shingle to create a strong, durable fastener zone.
- **Triple Layer Protection®** — A unique “triple layer” of reinforcement occurs when the fabric overlaps the two shingle layers, called the common bond area.
- **Outstanding Grip** — The SureNail® strip enhances the already amazing grip of our proprietary Tru-Bond® sealant.
- **Exceptional Wind Resistance** — The SureNail® grip helps deliver 130-MPH wind warranty performance with fewer nails than required by most competitors.

**StreakGuard™ Algae Resistance Protection**
Ditch the streaks - protect your home's curb appeal

Algae species are naturally occurring and transported through the air to attach themselves to shingles and other surfaces. While algae growth can cause brown or black streaks on roofs, it does not impact the performance of your shingles. Streaks caused by algae growth are more common in warm, humid climates but can occur in all regions of the country. Owens Corning has continued to advance our algae resistance protection based on over 30 years of testing and experience. Shingles with StreakGuard™ Algae Resistance Protection can help inhibit the growth of blue-green algae.

Owens Corning Shingles with StreakGuard™ Algae Resistant Protection:
- Are supported by the #1 Trusted Brand in Roofing
- Helps inhibit the growth of algae to keep your home beautiful
- Grows into homeowner peace-of-mind based on decades of Owens Corning testing and experience with algae resistance protection
- Is available in a wide variety of shingle styles and colors—ask your contractor for specifics
- Has a limited 10-year warranty

*See actual warranty for details, limitations and requirements

2016 Roofing Homeowner Brand Awareness Survey by Owens Corning Roofing and Asphalt, LLC.

Wind Resistance

Significant wind can cause shingles to blow off the roof deck. Missing shingles can lead to leaks and other interior damage. The quality and performance of the sealant on a shingle helps play an important part in wind resistance performance. Owens Corning certifies our shingles to industry recognized wind resistance standards through independent third-party testing laboratories. To see the wind resistance warranty on this product, refer to the TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS tab.

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ENERGY STAR® is for roofs too. Similar to the energy-efficient appliances in your home, roofing products can provide heating and cooling saving qualities. Owens Corning Roofing Shingles can help reduce your heating and cooling bills when installed properly. Certain shingles reflect solar energy, decreasing the amount of heat transferred to a home's interior — and the amount of air conditioning needed to keep it comfortable. Actual savings will vary based on geographic location and individual building characteristics. Call 1-800-GET-PINK® or 1-866-STAR-YEST for more information. ENERGY STAR® is available on the following colors: Frosted Oak, Harbor Fog, Sage, Sunrise

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