

**Historic Preservation Commission Preliminary Consultation Report**

Address: 9 E. Kirke St., Chevy Chase

Applicant(s): Christopher and Kathleen Matthews (Michael Patrick and Michael Meszaros, Architects)

Proposal: Garage construction, deck alterations, and porch modifications

Staff Contact: Dan Bruechert

HPC Commissioners Providing Comments: Karen Burditt (acting chair), Jeff Hains (acting vice-chair), Michael Galway, Julie Pelletier, and James Doman.

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**Recommendations**

The majority of the commissioners supported the proposal as presented. The commissioners found the architectural design and details were compatible with the design of the house.

- One commissioner expressed a desire to see a 10% reduction in the overall size of the proposed addition's footprint.
- Another commissioner recommended lowering the ridge height over the easternmost portion of the addition, where the 4<sup>th</sup> window is set back from the front wall plane. This would help break the massing of that section of the addition so it would appear more like a bay.

One commissioner recommended additional tree re-plantings to mitigate the loss of the Japanese maple and cherry tree proposed for removal to accommodate the new gravel drive.

No commissioner expressed opposition to the garage's size, design, or placement.

The commissioners recommended the applicant return for a HAWP with the additional information identified by Staff.

- Return for an additional preliminary consultation
- Return for a HAWP in accordance with the Commission's recommendations