

**MARINE CORPS ANNEX
JOHN PHILLIP SOUSA STATUE
7th and L Streets, SE
Washington, D.C.**

Delegated Action of the Executive Director

July 28, 2005

Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on October 3, 1996, I approve the preliminary and final site development plans for the placement of the John Phillip Sousa statue at the Marine Corps Annex, 7th and L Streets SE, Washington D.C., as shown on NCPC Map File No. 41.10(73.10)41640.

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The Department of the Navy has submitted a proposal to place a statue of John Phillip Sousa at the Marine Corps Annex at 7th and L Streets, SE. The statue would sit on a 4-foot, by 4-foot, by 4-foot high granite base and be centered in an existing grassed area next to the main entrance at the southeast corner of the annex building. The bronze statue would be eight feet high. The composition of base and statue would be a total of 12 feet high. The proposed location of the statue is thematically compatible with the Marine Corps Band practice activities contained in this portion of the annex building. The Coordinating Committee reviewed and coordinated the proposal at its July 13, 2005 meeting. The Department of the Navy advises that in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, and Environmental Assessment was completed for the overall annex project and resulted in a Finding of No Significant Impact. The addition of the statue would not affect this finding. The Navy further advises that it has determined that the project will have no effect on historic resources under the provisions of the National Historic Act of 1966, as amended.

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Executive Director