



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
HARRY S TRUMAN BUILDING
INTERIM SECURITY SCREENING SHELTERS
2201 C Street, NW
Washington, DC**

Delegated Action of the Executive Director

March 30, 2006

Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on October 3, 1996, I approve the preliminary and final site and building plans for the proposed interim security screening structures at the United States Department of State, Harry S Truman Building located at 2201 C Street, NW in Washington, DC, as shown on NCPC Map File No 1.34(38.40)41991.

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The Department of State (DOS) has submitted preliminary and final site and building plans for five interim security screening structures located adjacent to four entrances of the Harry S Truman Building, which serves as headquarters for the U.S. Department of State, located at 2201 C Street NW, Washington, DC. In order to address immediate vulnerability and high risk factors, the proposal relocates all visitor and employee security screening functions out of the existing interior building lobbies to exterior locations adjacent to existing entrances. In December 2004 the Commission gave favorable comment on the concept submission for the phased perimeter security master plan which included construction of permanent exterior entrance pavilions with security screening functions. The proposed structures will serve as an interim measure until the permanent entrance pavilions are built and in full operation.

The proposed, flat-roofed, rectilinear, screening structures will all be approximately 13 foot high with clerestory ribbon windows. Each structure will vary in size depending upon processing demands and the site location. The exterior finish will match the existing stone veneer color and the clerestory window and door frame finishes will blend with the existing window mullion color. One 1,344 square foot structure will be located on the 21st Street main entrance plaza until construction begins for the permanent pavilion which is expected to be completed in 2010. One 400 square foot structure will be located at the 21st Street tradesman entrance until construction

begins for the permanent pavilion which is expected to be completed in 2012. One 380 square foot structure will be located on the 23rd Street entrance plaza until construction begins for the permanent pavilion which is expected to be completed in 2013. Two 1,000 square foot structures will be located on the C Street entrance plaza until construction begins for the permanent pavilion which is expected to be completed in 2014.

Staff has determined that the project qualifies as a categorical exclusion as specified by NCPC's Categorical Exclusion requirements under §8(C)(21) of the agency's Environmental and Historic Preservation Policies and Procedures. On March 7, 2006, the District of Columbia Historic Preservation Officer (DCSHPO) concurred with DOS's determination of no adverse effect. Staff has determined that the proposed project would not be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital, and would not have an adverse impact on any federal interests.

The Coordinating Committee reviewed and coordinated this proposal at its March 15, 2006 meeting.

The Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) will be reviewing the proposed project at their April 20, 2006 commission meeting.

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