

**PROPOSED CLOSING OF A PORTION OF BRYANT STREET, NE BETWEEN 21<sup>ST</sup>  
PLACE AND QUEENS CHAPEL ROAD, ADJACENT TO SQUARE 4109 (S.O. 06-1262)**

Washington, D.C.

**Delegated Action of the Executive Director**

August 31, 2006

Pursuant to the Commission's delegations of authority adopted on October 3, 1996, I find that the proposed closing of a portion of Bryant Street, NE (S.O. 06-1262) in Square 4109, as shown on NCPC Map File No. 52.00(44.40)-42096, would not adversely affect any identified federal interests nor be inconsistent with the Federal Elements of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital.

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The District of Columbia Office of the Surveyor has filed, on behalf of Innovative Recyclers, Inc., an application for the closing of a portion of Bryant Street, NE in Square 4109. The street portion to be closed is 90 feet wide, and extends from the east side of 21<sup>st</sup> Place, NE to a dead-end at Queens Chapel Road, NE on the east; total area of the closed street is approximately 28,545 square feet. Closing of the street portion will not interfere with access to or from any adjacent properties.

The applicant suggests that that the street closure will serve to minimize unlawful activity currently taking place in that area. Additionally, the implied plan of the applicant to gate the street (and provide key access to the Fire Department) appears to be privatization of a city street. NCPC urges the D.C. City Council as well as D.C. Department of Transportation to carefully consider this request as public safety and crime prevention are government functions.

On August 16, 2006, the Coordinating Committee forwarded the proposed street closing to the Commission with the statement that the project had been coordinated with all agencies represented, with the exception of the D.C. Department of Transportation.

I find that the proposed alley closing would neither adversely affect any identified federal interests nor be inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital.

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Patricia E. Gallagher, AICP  
Executive Director