

COMMISSION ACTION

NCPC File No. MP57



U.S. NATIONAL ARBORETUM
MASTER PLAN MODIFICATION AND CHINESE GARDEN
3501 New York Avenue, NE
Washington, D.C.

Submitted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

February 1, 2007

Commission Action Requested by Applicant

Approval of master plan modification and comments on concept site design pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b)(1), and (d).

Commission Action

The Commission:

Approves the National Arboretum Master Plan Modification and favorably comments on the Concept for the Chinese Garden, as shown on NCPC Map File No. 43.20 (05.00)-42157, with the following provisions:

- **Notes** that the Chinese Garden perimeter must demonstrate, in its progress design, full incorporation of additional new planting of tree species.
- **Emphasizes** that further design review of the character development for the boundary of the Garden adjacent to Holly Spring Road should be undertaken by the Arboretum to reduce the full impact of the 20-plus new structures that would be placed into the setting of this area.
- **Strongly encourages** the Arboretum to coordinate the planned riverside trail with the National Park Service to ensure the revised property boundary is appropriately defined and that no inadvertent encroachment on Park Service property occurs by way of the path development to the Asian Collection entrance near the Anacostia River.

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