

COMMISSION ACTION

NCPC File No. 6786



DIAMOND TEAGUE PARK
First Street SE and Potomac Avenue SE
Washington, DC

Submitted by the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development

November 1, 2007

Commission Action Requested by Applicant

Approval of comments on concept design plans pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1).

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The Commission:

Comments favorably on the concept design plan for Diamond Teague Park, as shown on NCPC Map File No: 41.11(70.00)42392.

Commends the applicant for linking planned open space along the waterfront to provide a continuous public open space system along the Anacostia River; for developing a portion of the Anacostia River as a high-quality urban park with a mix of recreational opportunities that emphasizes the river's ecological and scenic qualities and character; and for providing accommodations for a water taxi system to serve the neighborhood and the Washington Nationals' baseball stadium.

Recommends that the applicant coordinate with adjacent property owners to reinforce the link between the Anacostia River and the grand staircase of the Washington Nationals' baseball stadium by maintaining and enhancing ground-level pedestrian views and access between the stadium and the river.

Notes that the applicant will need to obtain evidence from the Army Corps that the Army Corps permitting process fully satisfies the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act prior to submitting the project for preliminary and final approval, and that the project will require a special use permit from the National Park Service, the federal agency with jurisdiction over the river bottom.

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Secretary to the National Capital Planning Commission