

COMMISSION ACTION

NCPC File No. 6759



**WALTER REED NATIONAL MILITARY MEDICAL CENTER
MEDICAL FACILITY ADDITIONS
8901 Rockville Pike
Montgomery County, Bethesda, Maryland**

Submitted by the United States Department of the Navy

October 4, 2007

Commission Action Requested by Applicant

Approval of concept design pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8722(a) and (b)(1).

Commission Action

The Commission:

Comments favorably on the concept design for the new medical facility additions to the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Bethesda, with the exception of the fenestration pattern, as shown on NCPC Map File No. 3101.30(38.00)42383.

Requires that the following items be included in the preliminary design submission:

- Revised elevations indicating a more compatible fenestration pattern, and including dimensions and material notations.
- Information regarding the buildings' related site features, including lighting (proposed fixtures, locations, and foot-candle levels).
- Samples of the proposed finish materials.
- Completed Environmental Impact Statement, Master Plan, and Transportation Management Plan for the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.
- A summary of planned staffing and related parking accommodations, as will be determined by the completed Environmental Impact Statement, Master Plan, and Transportation Management Plan.
- Completed Section 106 consultation for the project and a final determination of effect from the Maryland Historical Trust.

Notes that during project development the applicant should address the following comments by other affected State and county entities:

- The proposed buildings are generally consistent with agency plans, programs, and objectives.

- The Maryland Historical Trust accepted the concept design with regard to location, footprint, and massing; and requested Section 106 consultation to move forward with fenestration design, materials selection, and other design and planning details.
- Environmental effects of the proposed project require additional review, coordination, and compliance with applicable regulations. Areas of potential effect include, but are not limited to, traffic and parking; hazardous materials and waste; construction materials and methods; energy sources; and emissions.
- The project has not yet been commented on by the Montgomery County Planning Board, and recommendations of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission are subject to, and contingent upon, the comments of the Planning Board.

Notes that the Commission's final action will take into account the findings of the Environmental Impact Statement, and the content of the Master Plan and Transportation Management Plan for the Medical Center, currently under development.

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Secretary to the National Capital Planning Commission