



Electric Charging Station Pilot Project (2.)



Great Falls Visitor Center (3.)

Report of the Executive Director

During the past month, the Executive Director took the following actions under the Commission's delegation authority. Unless otherwise noted, all projects are in Washington, DC.

1. Preliminary and final building plans for the Stewart Lee Udall Department of Interior Building Antenna Modifications, 1849 C Street, NW. (8469)
2. Preliminary and final site development plans for the Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling Electric Charging Station Pilot Project, 361-362 Cudahey Street. (8471)
3. Preliminary site development plans for the Great Falls Visitor Center Courtyard Rehabilitation, 9200 Old Dominion Drive, McLean, Virginia. (8470)
4. Report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia for the Consolidated Planned Unit Development and Related Map Amendment at Square 772, Lot 17, 1232 4th Street, NE. (ZC 22-32)

During the past month, NCPC staff determined that the following project is exempt from Commission review, based on certain criteria. The project is in Washington, DC.

1. Report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia for the Map Amendment for Square 2991, Lot 77, 924 Madison Street, NW. (ZC 22-34)

Planning Updates

Downtown DC Action Plan

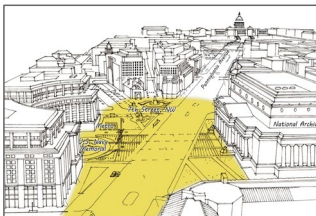
On June 15, Mayor Muriel Bowser announced the launch of the Downtown DC Action Plan, an exciting new effort for reimagining a new and vibrant future for Washington, DC's downtown, co-led by the Downtown DC BID, the Golden Triangle BID and the Federal City Council. The Executive Director was invited to serve on the Steering Committee for the Action Plan, which had its kickoff meeting on June 20. The Steering Committee will play an essential role in offering guidance to the process and championing the outcomes, including NCPC's current Pennsylvania Avenue and *Beyond Granite* initiatives, ongoing work to update the Federal Workplace element, and other recent planning and policy work that has guided the downtown.

Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative

It's officially summer on the Avenue, with several weekend festivals and events taking place downtown. Pre-COVID, the Avenue hosted an average of 150 local and regional events each year. The Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative's vision of the Avenue as a Venue will guide physical changes to the public space and infrastructure to make the Avenue an even greater events destination. NCPC tentatively expects to release the first of two RFPs (request for proposals) this summer and the second RFP later in the fall to prepare the New Pennsylvania Avenue Plan. The first RFP will focus on program requirements, economic analysis, and stewardship. The second RFP will focus on design.

Beyond Granite Announces Site Locations

On June 29, the *Beyond Granite* team announced the site locations, themes, and titles for each of the six artworks that will be on the National Mall from August 18-September 18 as part of the *Beyond Granite: Pulling Together* pilot exhibition. To learn more, visit <https://www.beyondgranite.org/>.





Monumental Core Streetscape Guide and Construction Manual

In June, NCPC completed the 60-day public comment period on the Draft Small-Scale Elements Streetscape Design Guidelines. Staff will coordinate with the Interagency Working Group in the coming months to revise the guidelines based on comments received and will present the final guidelines to the Commission this fall. Staff continues to meet with agency subject matter experts to advance work on the construction manual.

Antenna Deployment Meeting



On June 13, the Executive Director, Urban Design & Plan Review Division Director **Diane Sullivan**, and Urban Planner **Stephanie Free** met with the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, the House Committee on House Administration, representatives from AT&T, and the First Responder Network Authority to discuss NCPC's role in the deployment of antennas around the National Mall. Staff provided an overview of the agency's mission and its plan review process. They also discussed NCPC's commitment to working with the landholding agencies and the wireless carriers to ensure that wireless infrastructure coverage and capacity is available to support first responders and public safety in a way that respects the important historic and cultural resources along the Mall.



NCPC Presents at the GSA Executive Leadership Forum

On June 29, Senior Urban Planner **Angela Dupont** joined **Nina Albert**, U.S. General Services Administration (GSA); **Paul Desjardin**, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments; **Allison Davis**, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; and **Terry Clower**, George Mason University in a panel discussion on the future of the federal workplace held at GSA's headquarters.

Public Engagement

Beyond Granite and Centennial Festival Outreach



In June and July, NCPC staff is hosting a booth at several events to share information about the upcoming *Beyond Granite: Pulling Together* exhibition, as well as next year's NCPC Centennial celebration. Included in this outreach are opportunities for the public to participate in, like mapping their homes on the 1952 Highway Map of DC, and to write in their thoughts on "What stories remain untold on the National Mall?", the same question the *Beyond Granite: Pulling Together* artists will respond to. Events included the Capital Pride Festival (June 11), Capital Harvest on the Plaza (June 14 and 21), and upcoming, a tent at the Archives-Navy Memorial-Penn Quarter Metro Station during the Smithsonian Folklife Festival (July 7).

Preparing for the Centennial



Ron Wilson

The Office of Public Engagement is continuing to capture oral histories of past Chairs, Commissioners, staff, and other individuals who influenced the agency's work. These interviews will offer personal reflections on NCPC's more recent history and serve as resources for future generations to better understand the unique history and evolution of planning in the nation's capital. Since the June Commission meeting, staff interviewed former Commissioner **Michael McGill** and former Long Range Planning Director **Ron Wilson**.



Johanna McCrehan

Personnel

ULI Washington's Leadership Institute Program

Congratulations to Urban Planner **Johanna McCrehan** upon her completion of ULI Washington's Leadership Institute program. ULI Washington's Leadership Institute is a rigorous experiential professional development and training program that equips future land use leaders with the regional and industry insights, leadership skills, and multi-disciplinary relationships they need to help build a thriving, sustainable, and equitable Greater Washington Region. Throughout this program, participants engaged with real estate, land use, and other industry professionals from the public, private, and nonprofit sectors in hands-on learning experiences designed to strengthen their leadership skills and deepen their knowledge of the region and the complex issues confronting it.



Mohamed Haidara

NCPC Welcomes New Technology Specialist

Mohamed Haidara joined the Office of Administration's Information Technology team as a highly skilled senior systems administrator with a strong educational background and several certifications in the field of computer network security. He previously served as an IT Specialist for the Maryland National Capital Parks and Planning Commission where he also worked with the Montgomery County and the Prince George's County Planning Departments. Mohamed holds a bachelor's degree in computer network security from the University of Maryland.