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Joint Base Andrews West Fitness Center (7.)



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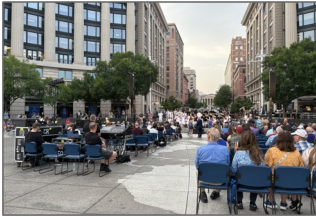
Report of the Executive Director

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 site and building plans for the Southeast Federal Center Parcel P3 Redevelopment – The Yards, 1300 5th Street, SE. (8654)
2. Preliminary site and building plans for the Potomac Hill Access Control Facility, 2300 E Street, NW. (8666)
3. Preliminary and final building plans for the Frances E. Perkins Federal Building Antenna Replacement and Site Renewal, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW. (8671)
4. Preliminary site and building plans for the National Zoological Park Hawthorne Street Electrical Substation Replacement, 3001 Connecticut Avenue, NW. (8673)
5. Final site and building plans for the Fort Davis Community Center Reconstruction and Site Improvements, 1400 41st Street, SE. (8633)
6. Preliminary and final site development plans for the Food and Drug Administration Submerged Gravel Wetland, 10901 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland. (8679)
7. Preliminary site and building plans for the Joint Base Andrews West Fitness Center Addition, Camp Springs, Maryland. (8680)
8. Preliminary and final site and building plans for the Harvey W. Wiley Federal Building Antenna Array Modification, 5001 Campus Drive, College Park, Maryland. (8518)
9. Preliminary and final site development plans for the Pentagon Fern Street Vehicle Access Point Security Fence, Arlington, Virginia. (8676)
10. Report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia for the Proposed Map Amendment from RA-5 to ARTS-3 at Square 0210, Lot 0827, 1405 15th Street, NW. (ZC 24-16)
11. Report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia for the Text Amendment to Subtitle A and K, regarding Living Classrooms Foundation, 1300 5th Street, SE. (ZC 24-18)

During the past month, NCPC staff determined that the following projects are exempt from Commission review, based on certain criteria. Unless otherwise noted, all projects are in Washington, DC.

1. Preliminary and final site development plans for the Potomac River Tunnel CSO 029 and Slope Stabilization, Canal Road, NW. (8668)
2. Preliminary and final site development plans for the Interstate-395 Sign Improvements. (8669)
3. Preliminary site and building plans for the National Zoological Park Science Hill Egress, 3001 Connecticut Avenue, NW. (8675)
4. Preliminary and final site development plans for the Farragut Square Temporary Public Art Installation, Farragut Square. (8667)
5. Map Amendment from RA-2 to RA-4 at Square 2672, Lot 718, 1459 Columbia Road, NW. (ZC 24-14)



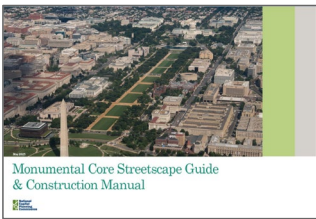
Planning Updates

Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative

More than 125 people attended two online Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative public briefings last month, when NCPC staff and members of the consultant team shared an update on the Public Space Master Plan progress and the design team's initial findings and ideas. As work continues, the consultant team will collaborate with experts in transportation, security, lighting, and acoustics to ensure that designs for the corridor and public spaces will make them beautiful, functional, safe, and event ready.

It sounds like summer on Pennsylvania Avenue! The Navy Memorial Foundation kicked off its patriotic summer [Concerts on the Avenue](#) and [Movies on the Memorial](#) series at the Navy Memorial Plaza, the Avenue's central public space.

Monumental Core Streetscape Guide and Construction Manual



In June, the Monumental Core Interagency Working Group posted the *Monumental Core Streetscape Guide and Construction Manual* to [NCPC's website](#). The Streetscape Guide is a resource for federal and District agencies to use to coordinate public realm streetscape improvements that reinforce the capital city's iconic form and identity and link the monumental core to Washington's neighborhoods. The Streetscape Guide consists of an urban design framework, design guidelines, and construction details and specifications to guide streetscape design character and physical quality. The construction details and specifications are being finalized and upon their completion will be added to the Streetscape Guide.



Smithsonian Tree Fence Pilot Project

On June 2 Current Planning Division Deputy Director **Matthew Flis** and Historic Preservation Planner **Lee Webb** met on-site at the National Museum of Natural History with Smithsonian Institution staff to review the tree fence pilot project installed along Constitution Avenue, NW. The project seeks to evaluate whether low tree fencing will improve the health and appearance of both the trees and landscape beds, while also ensuring pedestrian safety and vehicle clearances. The street tree fencing project is part of a broader pilot initiative by the Smithsonian Gardens to evaluate ways it can promote the health of its living plant collection. The Commission approved the pilot in April 2023, and the Smithsonian Institution is coordinating with the Monumental Core Streetscape Interagency Working Group.

Public Outreach

Facilities Outreach Program



On June 12 and 17, Urban Planner **Stephanie Free** and Current Planning Division Deputy Director **Matthew Flis** met with staff from the District of Columbia Departments of General Services, Parks and Recreation, Office of Planning, and the District of Columbia Public Library. The meeting was part of the Current Planning Division's ongoing engagement with facilities throughout the region to explain NCPC's role and mission and to learn about different facilities' future projects and improvements. Recent District of Columbia projects reviewed by the Commission include the Capital Ona Arena Improvements and the DC National Guard Armory Access Control Center.



Practicing Landscape Architects

On June 16 Long Range Planning Division Director **Elizabeth Miller** served on the American Society of Landscape Architecture *Landscape Architects in Public Practice* panel. The interactive session spotlighted the contributions of landscape architects working at the local, state, and federal levels—and explored strategies for advocating for the profession within public institutions.

Teaching Undergraduate Students about Commemoration

Urban Planner **Melissa Lindsjo** completed her first year teaching the *Monuments, Memorials, and Museums: An Evolving National Story* course in both the fall and spring with the Lutheran College Washington Semester (LCWS). The students explored the history, symbolism, and politics of the National Mall and discussed topics including national identity, public governance, and systems of civic infrastructure. Students met with experts from organizations tasked with planning and maintaining the Mall and took field trips to several points of interest. LCWS is an immersive and transformative study-away program designed to provide students with a unique opportunity to learn and intern in the nation's capital.



Personnel

ULI Washington Leadership Institute

Congratulations to Urban Planner **Melissa Lindsjo** upon her completion of ULI Washington's Leadership Institute. 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 National Capital 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.

