

# 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. Modifications to One Freedom Plaza, 1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (P7298)
2. Approval of comments to the Council of the District of Columbia regarding the closing of a public street in Square 660, Half Street and Potomac Avenue, SW. (8069)
3. Approval of a report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia regarding a Consolidated Planned Unit Development and Related Map Amendment at Square 498, 501 C Street, SW. (ZC 17-21)

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. Approval of a report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia regarding a Map Amendment at Square 5799, Lot 976, 2359 High Street, SE. (ZC 18-10)
2. Approval of a report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia regarding a Consolidated Planned Unit Development and Related Map Amendment at Square 3832 and 3825, 3135 and 3201 8th Street, NE. (ZC 18-21)
3. Approval of a report to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia regarding a DCHA Text Amendment to Subtitle C - Time Extension of Temporary Surface Parking. (ZC 07-08C)
4. Preliminary and final site and building plans for a DC Water Sewer Services Facility, 31st and Ames Place, NE. (8075)
5. Preliminary and final site development plans for improvements at Fort Reno Park by the USACE, 4000 Chesapeake Street, NW. (8079)



One Freedom Plaza (1)



Half Street and Potomac Avenue, SW (2)



501 C Street, SW (3)



Monumental Core Lighting Map



Comprehensive Plan

## Planning Updates

### Monumental Core Streetscape Framework and Lighting Policy

NCPC staff and the National Mall Roads Interagency Working Group are collaborating with the District Department of Transportation and Office of Public-Private Partnerships to coordinate local and federal LED streetlight guidance. In May, staff provided an information presentation to the District's Streetlight Advisory Panel. In July, staff will provide an information presentation on the Monumental Core Urban Design Streetscape Framework and Lighting Policy to the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts. Staff will return to the Commission this fall for concept review for both items.

### Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital: Transportation and Workplace Elements

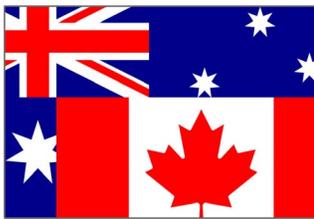
NCPC staff continues its policy development for the Transportation and Federal Workplace Elements of the Comprehensive Plan. Staff is conducting analysis on existing policies, identifying new policy areas and evaluating transportation and workplace trends. Staff anticipates submitting these two elements to the Commission in 2019.



Rosslyn, Virginia

### Key Bridge Marriott

At the request of the Arlington County Planning Department, NCPC staff provided advisory federal interest comments on the Key Bridge Marriott Redevelopment proposed for Rosslyn, VA. The proposal includes three new residential towers - two on the east side of the existing hotel and one to the west, adjacent to an existing garage. The height of the new east building is approximately 278-feet and height of the proposed west building is 268-feet. The existing hotel is 208-feet tall. NCPC staff comments primarily addressed potential impacts on views from Roosevelt Island and the George Washington Memorial Parkway.



Capital Colleagues

### Public Engagement

#### Executive Director Connects with Capital Colleagues

On May 29 the Executive Director spoke with National Capital Authority (Canberra) Chief Executive **Sally Barnes** and National Capital Commission (Ottawa) Chief Executive Officer **Tobi Nussbaum**. They discussed planning topics of mutual interest, shared updates on current projects, and talked about potential information exchanges.



Federal Triangle Flood Workshop

#### Federal Triangle Flood Risk Management Workshops

On May 23, DC Silver Jackets provided a report out to leadership representatives from federal, regional and District agencies regarding two workshops on flood risk management in the Federal Triangle area of Washington, DC. The workshops covered past and current studies and information about flood risks, and presentations on both individual actions taken by agencies as well as ideas for more comprehensive solutions. The leadership representatives expressed interest in working together to explore comprehensive solutions.



Carnegie Library

#### Construction Watch Blog: Carnegie Library

After 20 months of construction, the historic Carnegie Library reopened on May 11. **Lee Webb** takes a look at the transformation of the city's first public library into a new Apple flagship store and home of the Historical Society of Washington.

#### Blog: Kennedy Center Bridge Connection

Crews finished work on a new bridge connecting the Kennedy Center to the bike/pedestrian trail next to the Potomac River. The bridge is part of the Center's expansion project, and both are due to open to the public in September.



Pedestrian bridge connection at the Kennedy Center



Adam Gordon



Alexander Bailor



Audrey Wilkes

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## Personnel

### NCPC Welcomes Summer Interns

On Monday, June 3 three students began their summer internships with the National Capital Planning Commission. **Adam Gordon** joined the Office of Public Engagement where he will assist with outreach efforts including social media, updating the memorial map, and blog writing. The San Diego native is a junior at Harvard University where he is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Architecture Studies—Design Studies and Germanic Languages & Literature. The Physical Planning Division is hosting two interns who will assist staff with the Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative and the Monumental Core Streetscape Project, focusing on research, mapping, and analysis of streetscape conditions. **Alexander Bailor** is a graduate student at the University of Maryland where he is working towards his Master of Community Planning, building on his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History from University of Pittsburgh. **Audrey Wilkes** is a senior at the University of Maryland where she is working towards her Bachelor of Landscape Architecture.