

JUSTIFICATION FOR APPROPRIATION & PERFORMANCE PLAN

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BUDGET REQUEST ESTIMATE 2023 & PERFORMANCE PLAN

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ABOUT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) is an independent agency in the Executive Branch of the federal government. The NCPC's core responsibilities include preparing the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital's Federal Elements; reviewing plans and projects for federal property; preparing the Federal Capital Improvements Program; and providing recommendations to the District of Columbia Zoning Commission on the consistency of proposed text and map amendments with the Federal Elements.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITIES

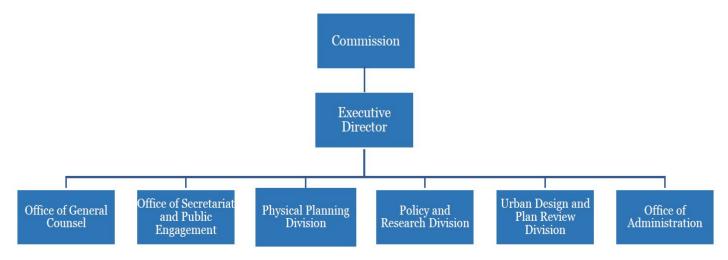
The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) was established by the National Capital Planning Act of 1952, as amended (40 U.S.C. §§ 8701 et seq). The Act coupled with other statutory authorities define the agency's core responsibilities. The NCPC also possesses statutory authorities related to the acquisition and disposition of land for parks, parkways, and playground purposes.

MISSION STATEMENT

The National Capital Planning Commission's mission is to preserve and enhance the extraordinary historical, cultural, natural resources, and federal assets of the National Capital Region to support the needs of the federal government and enrich the lives of the region's visitors, workers, and residents.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

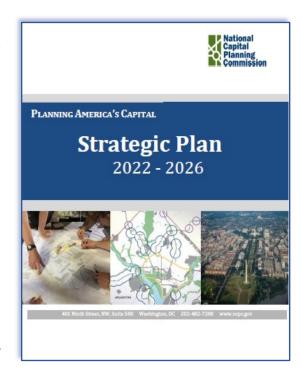
The President appoints a Chair, who leads the Commission. The NCPC professional staff is comprised of five Divisions, managed by an Executive Director. The NCPC's full time staff is comprised of planners, architects, urban designers, landscape architects, and other professionals. The NCPC's cadre of highly skilled specialists develop optimal solutions by balancing the needs of many different federal agencies with the concerns of local and regional authorities and the opinions of citizens and stakeholders.



STRATEGIC GOALS AND PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK 2022 - 2026

Through planning, policymaking, and plan review, the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) defines and protects both federal interests and broader national interests in the development of the National Capital Region. The federal interest is wide-ranging and multifaceted; interests range from ensuring that government agencies have adequate facilities and quality workplaces, to protecting the environment, public parks, and the region's historic resources. The NCPC encourages efficient transportation and smart growth, accommodates the needs of foreign missions, and balances security elements with urban planning principles.

The NCPC also incorporates broader national interests into the agency's planning guidance. This includes safeguarding the visual preeminence of Washington's iconic civic and symbolic structures, such as its national monuments, which have contributed to the identity of our nation's capital for over 200 years. The NCPC's planning guidance also



includes enhancing the visitors' experiences within and around Washington's federal buildings, commemorative works, and national parks.

To carry out the agency's mission and ensure that the nation's capital evolves, for calendar years 2022 through 2026, the Commission established four strategic goals and one management priority with several performance objectives. The agency's four-year plan strategic plan provides the framework for the agency's planned activities for each fiscal year. The NCPC's Strategic Plan is located on the agency's website at www.ncpc.gov.

STRATEGIC GOALS 2022 - 2026

Goal 1: Enhance Our Nation's Legacy

Goal 2: Expand Opportunities to Commemorate

Goal 3: Balance Security and Public Access

Goal 4: Facilitate More Efficient, Attractive, and Sustainable Federal
Development in the National Capital Region

Management Priority:

Become More Efficient Across the Board

PERFORMANCE PLAN FOR FY2023

The NCPC's FY2023 performance plan is a based upon the performance goals and objectives outlined in the agency's strategic plan for the period covering 2022 through 2026. Throughout the fiscal year, the 2023 performance plan will be reviewed and if necessary, it will be updated to respond to changing circumstances that impact the vison and mission of the agency.

In FY2023 the NCPC will continue its work to protect and advance the Federal Government's interests in the national capital region's development. The agency's work will be evidence-based, mission and service driven, stewardship focused, and will be dedicated to fulfilling the four strategic goals and management priority detailed in the agency's Strategic Plan. In addition, in FY2023, the NCPC will focus its efforts on several Government-wide initiatives established by Presidential Executive Orders and other enacted legislation.

Following are the NCPC's specific performance objectives and management priorities for FY2023.

STRATEGIC GOAL 1: ENHANCE OUR NATION'S LEGACY

Washington DC is the symbolic heart of the nation, and its image resonates well beyond the region and the country's borders. Through its architecture and physical design, the capital symbolizes the nation's ideals and values, and its visibility makes it a standard-bearer around the world; it is one of the world's finest urban achievements. The National Capital Planning Commission's vision and goal is to enhance our Nation's legacy by retaining its distinct world-image and encouraging forward-looking outcomes that achieve shared federal and local interests. Following are the NCPC's FY2023 performance objectives to enhance our Nation's legacy.

> Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative

The use, character, and function of Pennsylvania Avenue is important to the nation's capital for its cultural role and economic health. Provided that the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental assessment and the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) consultation commences in FY2022, in FY2023, the NCPC will work with the *Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative Interagency Executive Committee* to continue design development, obtain preliminary approval of a preferred alternative, and begin the update to the *1974 Pennsylvania Avenue Plan* and agreements to institute a more effective governance structure for the future health of the Avenue. In addition, the NCPC will continue to work with agency partners to facilitate nationally significant programming on the Avenue.

➤ MONUMENTAL CORE STREETSCAPE GUIDE

The NCPC, in partnership with ten federal and local agencies made significant progress towards developing streetscape guidelines and draft construction specifications in FY2022. In FY2023, the completed streetscape design guidelines will be submitted for public review, Commission adoption, and final publication. NCPC staff will continue to facilitate coordination with the Federal Highway Administration and the National Mall Interagency Working Group to prepare construction specifications for inclusion in the construction manual.

> INDEPENDENCE AVENUE URBAN DESIGN AND STREETSCAPE PLAN

Independence Avenue is an important transportation corridor and a gateway to Southwest Washington, the Capitol, and the National Mall. In anticipation of normalized travel and occupancy conditions after restrictive COVID-19 pandemic limitations are rescinded, the NCPC will collaborate and continue its partnership with, stakeholder agencies to undertake a transportation study for Independence Avenue, SW, between 3rd and 15th Streets. The purpose of the study is to assess the existing and projected level-of-service for pedestrians, vehicular, and micro-mobility transportation modes, that will inform development of preliminary programmatic concepts to improve: (1) mobility, curbside use, and the streetscape; (2) pedestrian use, safety, and experience; and (3) connectivity among adjoining communities and the National Mall.

STRATEGIC GOAL 2: EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMEMORATE

Washington, DC's commemorative landscape reflects the history, heritage, and experiences of the Nation. Through its role in guiding the location and design of federal commemorative works through policy and review, the NCPC's mission is to ensure that current and future generations have enough sites available for new museums and commemoration, while protecting the national mall's open spaces. The NCPC's goal is to explore expanded commemoration typologies to complement permanent memorials by using new technologies, and temporary and mobile memorials. This approach will help encourage equity and inclusion and more diverse representation in our capital's commemorative landscape. Following is the NCPC's FY2023 performance objective to expand opportunities to commemorate.

➤ 2M PLAN AND THE VISITORS AND COMMEMORATION ELEMENT

In FY2023, the NCPC staff will update the 2M Plan to develop a siting strategy for new museums and will address the need to expand opportunities for narratives currently untold in the nation's capital given the limited land resources. Following a FY2021-FY2022 partnership with the Trust for the National Mall and the National Park Service on a temporary commemoration demonstration project, in FY2023, the NCPC will work with our stakeholders to develop a Key Findings Report. The Findings Report will help inform the updates to the 2001 version of the 2M Plan, develop federal policy framework for future temporary commemorative works, and identify criteria for permanent locations and long-term programming of temporary memorials. The NCPC staff will complete the 2M Plan update and initiate policy updates to the *Visitors and Commemoration Element of the Comprehensive Plan*.

➤ COMMEMORATE 100 YEARS OF PLANNING IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL

In FY2023, the NCPC will prepare for its Centennial Anniversary of planning in the Nation's Capital by undertaking various activities such as creating public informational materials, highlighting historical planning events, developing educational publications, making presentations, arranging public workshops, and conducting stakeholder outreach activities to enhance public awareness of planning the nation's capital.

STRATEGIC GOAL 3: BALANCE SECURITY AND PUBLIC ACCESS

As the federal government's central planning agency for the National Capital Region (NCR), the NCPC continues to be at the forefront in developing effective approaches and guidelines to preserve the openness of Washington, DC's public spaces and enhance security in the public realm. Through planning, policymaking, and project review, the NCPC's goal is to continue to advance and evaluate new and effective methods to address security and public access in a thoughtful and balanced manner. Following is the NCPC's FY2023 performance objective to balance security and public access.

> UPDATE TO THE URBAN DESIGN ELEMENT

The NCPC staff released, in FY2022, draft amendments to the *Federal Urban Design Element of the Comprehensive Plan* to address the topic of security and integrate new Interagency Security Committee design standards. New policies were developed from the workshops, forums, discussions, assessment findings and proceeding reports from the NCPC's Public Space and Security initiative, which developed a framework on how to rethink issues such as public space use, access, and security. In FY2023, the NCPC staff will bring amendments to the Federal Urban Design Element to the Commission for final adoption to address new policy guidance developed from the Public Space and Security initiative.

STRATEGIC GOAL 4: FACILITATE MORE EFFICIENT, ATTRACTIVE, AND SUSTAINABLE FEDERAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

The National Capital Region (NCR) is a growing, urbanizing region with unparalleled cultural, historic, and environmental resources, where local, state, and federal agencies have important planning, policymaking, and review roles to facilitate a more productive and attractive national capital. Using learning agendas, evidence-based approaches, and data-driven decision making, the NCPC's goal is to efficiently coordinate its review processes with its federal partners, local entities, stakeholders, and the public to promote better project outcomes that preserves and enhances the NCR. Following are the NCPC's FY2023 performance objectives to facilitate more efficient, attractive, and sustainable federal development in the NCR.

> FEDERAL ELEMENTS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The NCPC adopted a new Framework Element in FY2022. The new Element identified a planning framework and new guiding principles, that will incorporate climate change and equity considerations in all Federal Elements of the Comprehensive Plan. In FY2023, the new Framework Element will guide subsequent updates to the Federal Elements.

> FEDERAL WORKPLACE ELEMENT UPDATE

The NCPC adopted amendments to the Central Employment Area (CEA) in the *Federal Workplace Elements of the Comprehensive Plan*. As adopted in the amendments, the NCPC identified an action item for the NCPC to work with regional and local jurisdictions to identify appropriate federal employment locations in the region beyond the CEA. In FY2023, the NCPC will work with the U.S. General Services Administration, the District of Columbia, and other stakeholders to consider other approaches to the CEA to designate locations, including non-contiguous sites, for future federal facilities and uses that reflects the diverse missions of federal agencies, security, transportation, and the economic development considerations, existing development constraints, and goals of the DC government.

The NCPC staff examined the potential long-term impacts to the planning, location, and design of federal workplaces post-COVID-19. In FY2022, the NCPC resumed updates to the Federal Workplace Element to reflect the post-COVID work environment. In FY2023, the NCPC staff will bring the updates to the Federal Workplace Element to the Commission for final adoption. The update will include policies that address climate change, equity, resiliency, and aging infrastructure; and, it will provide adaptation strategies for the federal workplace.

> ENVIRONMENT ELEMENT UPDATE

In FY2023, the NCPC staff will initiate the update to the Federal Environment Element of the Comprehensive Plan. The Environment Element will reflect new policy guidance and strengthen policies related to climate change mitigation and adaptation planning, federal sustainability, resiliency, aging infrastructure, and environmental justice.

TRANSPORTATION MONITORING PROGRAM AND EVALUATION As adopted in the 2020 Federal Transportation Element, in FY2022 and into FY2023, the NCPC staff will routinely monitor and evaluate the performance of Transportation Demand Management (TDM) programs at federal facilities. Agency staff have determined that regular reporting is critical to understanding how transportation conditions at facilities change over time, and whether TDM programs are effectively managing travel demand. The NCPC staff will prepare biennial reports to help the Commission understand larger transportation trends for facilities and determine whether Transportation Management Plans are adequately helping facilities meet transportation goals. In FY2023, the NCPC staff will present the first report to the Commission.

FEDERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

In FY2023, the NCPC staff will focus efforts to complete upgrades to the Federal Capital Improvements Program process and submission portal. The upgrades will help to improve and streamline the annual program and add new questions in the solicitation process that responds to the administration's priorities on climate change and equity. Coordination will include assistance from federal applicants to pilot a

new submission portal before implementing the program's initial data call. The NCPC staff will implement the new submission portal in FY2023.

➤ CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND ADAPTATION

The NCPC recognizes the importance of understanding the scope, severity, and pace future climate change and how it may impact the federal government's sites, buildings, and operations. In FY2023 the NCPC will continue to integrate climate change adaptation into its program, policies, and operations in accordance with the agency's *Climate Action Plan*.

MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES: BECOMING MORE EFFICIENT ACROSS THE BOARD

The National Capital Planning Commission's leadership is focused on maintaining the agency's ability to deliver mission-driven outcomes. To accomplish the 2022 through 2026 Strategic Goals and Objectives, the NCPC will continue to provide exceptional, cutting-edge, and innovative service to its partners, stakeholders, and the public. The NCPC will adhere to its core values as the agency's leaders and staff develop and implement strategies to become more efficient across the board in FY2023.

➤ ADVANCING THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE EQUITY STRATEGY

In the fourth quarter of FY2021, the NCPC submitted its plan for Tribal Consultation to strengthen Nation-to-Nation relationships. In addition to that, the NCPC completed the agency's 200-Day Equity Assessment and in the second quarter of FY2022, the agency's One Year Equity Action Plan was submitted to the Office of Management and Budget. In FY2023, the NCPC will continue its efforts to engage in meaningful consultation on policymaking that has Tribal implications. The NCPC will also continue to review and update its policies, practices, and procedures to address and eliminate barriers to underserved communities and individuals. NCPC staff and Commissioners will regularly undergo equity awareness training to ensure the agency's mission is carried out with an *equity lens*. The NCPC will review and update the *Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital: Federal Elements* using federal and regional data to address potential inequities and support equitable outcomes across policy topics that include federal development and design, the federal workforce, the environment, transportation, and infrastructure.

➤ EMPOWERING, REBUILDING, AND PROTECTING THE NCPC WORKFORCE

Following the COVID-19 pandemic, using a learning agenda approach, the NCPC's leadership conducted an in-depth evaluation of its personnel policies and work environment. Using the collected data, the NCPC implemented safety and reentry to work plans, and updated its personnel policies as they pertain to telework, remote work, and flexiwork. In FY2023, the NCPC will continue to explore and implement new operating approaches and workplace innovations to empower, rebuild and protect the NCPC's workforce, this includes taking appropriate measures to ensure agency staff are appropriately qualified, skilled, and trained. Related to that, the NCPC will reintroduce its internship program as a tool to streamline future

hiring. The agency's retention, hiring and recruitment efforts will be centered on advancing diversity, equity, inclusion, accessibility and workplace safety and health.

➤ IMPROVING AND MODERNIZING OPERATIONS AND SERVICES

In FY2023, the NCPC will continue its ongoing commitment to evaluate, assess, and modernize the agency's operations to include upgrades to the agency's information technology infrastructure to support hybrid work and public meetings, fully digitizing agency records, expanding the use of the electronic project submission portal, making continuous improvements to the agency's website, expanding and implementing new and innovative approaches to stakeholder communication and outreach, and enhancing internal administrative support operations through shared service agreements for services such as financial management, HR management, physical security, cybersecurity monitoring, personnel credentialing, and background investigation and vetting services.

➤ PRIORITIZING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) AND CYBERSECURITY

In FY2022 the NCPC's leased spaced underwent construction and renovation. As part of the space renovation and construction plan, the agency drafted and implemented an IT and Cybersecurity Strategic Plan. In FY2023, the NCPC will continue follow the plan in its IT modernization efforts, to include upgrading the agency's IT infrastructure and network wiring, installing secure wireless access points, procuring innovative software and hardware technologies to support hybrid meetings and collaborative virtual work, and implementing sound practices and strategies to identify, deter, and protect against cyber-threats and risks.

➤ USING EVIDENCE AND LEARNING AGENDAS IN AGENCY DECISION-MAKING

The NCPC is committed to continuing its practice of building and using evidence to carry out its mission critical work. In FY2023, The NCPC's Commissioners and professional staff of planners, architects, designers, and landscape architects will strictly rely on the best available evidence to make decisions to develop optimal solutions that balance the needs of federal agencies, local and regional authorities, citizens and interested stakeholders. The NCPC will gather and use evidence from the U.S. Government's open data sources, the agency's public meetings, collaborative partnerships, social media sites, website metrics, and other federally sanctioned information gathering tools and resources to support its decision-making processes.

BUDGET REQUEST FOR FY2023

The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) is committed to the effective stewardship of its fiscal resources. Each fiscal year, the NCPC's leadership conducts a meticulous review of the agency's projected operational costs to ensure the annual budget request reflects fiscal responsibility and accountability.

To carry out the NCPC's performance objectives for FY2023, the NCPC's anticipated spending is \$8,630,000; this estimate is a 1.4% decrease from the agency's FY2022 appropriation. The agency's office space renovation was delayed and as such, required additional funding to cover rental payments at a higher rate than anticipated. In FY2023, the office renovation and downsize will be complete and the rental payments will be reduced, subsequently lowering the agency's anticipated spending in FY2023. The NCPC's FY2023 request will be devoted to funding staff salaries and benefits and the agency's routine operational support functions such as rent, travel, training, information technology (IT) maintenance, payroll management, human resources support, and other administrative and program support.

As noted in the detailed breakdown of anticipated spending in the pages that follow, the NCPC's budget request considers a 4.6% salary increase for the agency's full time employees and it includes anticipated spending for the NCPC's ongoing plan for IT modernization and cybersecurity initiatives, equity and diversity training, several new program projects such as hiring paid interns as part of the agency's *Diversity Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Strategic Plan*, outgoing outreach and planning for the Pennsylvania Avenue Initiative, and activities related to commemorating the NCPC's Centennial anniversary. Other planned spending includes refreshing the staff's IT desktop equipment, completing the digitization of historical permanent records, and completing the transition to Internet Protocol Version 6 (IPv6).

	FY2021 APPROPRIATION	FY2022 CR LEVEL	FY2022 APPROPRIATION	FY2023 Request
Personnel Compensation & Benefits	\$5,602,000	\$5,905,000	\$5,905,000	\$6,233,000
Other Non-Labor Expenses	2,522,000	2,219,000	2,845,000	\$2,397,000
Total Projected Spending	\$8,124,000	\$8,124,000	\$8,750,000	\$8,630,000

COMPARATIVE SPENDING ANALYSIS FY2021- FY2023

FY2023 Budget Request by Object Class (In Thousands) With Comparative Analysis of Spending FY2021 – FY2023							
Object Class Code	Description	FY2021 Appropriation	FY2022 CR Level	FY2022 Appropriation	FY2023 Request		
11.0	Personnel Compensation	\$4,173	\$4,359	\$4,359	\$4,502		
12.0	Benefits	1,454	1,546	1,546	1,731		
21.0	Travel and Transportation	2	15	15	30		
23.0	Rental Payments to GSA	1,520	1,418	1,418	\$1,200		
23.3	Communications & Utilities	203	185	200	100		
24.0	Printing and Reproduction	8	8	8	8		
25.1	Contractual Services – Federal	367	367	390	390		
25.2	Training and Related Costs	16	8	30	30		
25.3	Contractual Services – Non Federal	295	169	492	445		
25.4	Facilities Maintenance	4	4	12	12		
25.7	Machine Maintenance	67	40	80	80		
26.0	Supplies & Subscriptions	12	4	20	20		
31.0	Equipment and Furniture	3	1	180	82		
Total Projected Spending		\$8,124	\$8,124	\$8,750	\$8,630		
Employe	Il Time Equivalent (FTE) es	34*	35	35	35		

^{*}One FTE position became vacant in December 2020 and was not filled in FY21. The position should be filled in FY2022.

DETAILS OF THE NCPC'S FY2023 BUDGET REQUEST

OBJECT CLASS 11 - PERSONNEL COMPENSATION - \$4,502,000

The NCPC's FY2023 budget request estimate includes compensation for the agency's appointed Commissioners, paid interns, and a staff of 35 full time employees. The anticipated spending for salaries also includes funding to support a 4.6% salary increase for the agency's full-time staff.

OBJECT CLASS 12 - PERSONNEL BENEFITS - \$1,731,000

The NCPC's estimated spending for this object class represents the government's contribution for employee benefits to include payments for health insurance, thrift savings plan contributions, life insurance, and transit subsidy benefits.

OBJECT CLASS 21 - TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION - \$30,000

In FY2021 and FY2022, official travel for agency personnel had decreased due to COVID-19 pandemic related travel restrictions. In FY2023, the NCPC anticipates travel to normalize allowing staff to conduct official program and training-related travel.

OBJECT CLASS 23 - RENTAL PAYMENTS TO GSA- \$1,200,000

This object class category is to cover the expense of rental payments to the General Services Administration under an Occupancy Agreement for leased office space. In late FY2021 and into early FY2022 the NCPC's leased space underwent construction to reduce its square footage. In FY2022 the NCPC received a temporary rent credit. In FY2023, the NCPC expects to realize a 21% savings in rental payments compared to FY2021.

OBJECT CLASS 23.3 – COMMUNICATIONS AND UTILITIES- \$100,000

The estimated spending in this category represents costs associated with modernizing the NCPC information technology and cybersecurity infrastructure. It also includes payments for other projected telecommunications and wiring expenses associated with reconfiguring the downsized leased office space. Other expenses in this object class category include local courier services, video teleconferencing and webcasting support, licenses, internet, wireless communications, and supplemental HVAC maintenance. Funds used in this area will also include increased digitization and electronic initiatives to engage and inform the public with a focus on improving stakeholder and customer experiences.

OBJECT CLASS 24 - PRINTING AND REPRODUCTION -\$8,000

The estimate for this object class represents costs for publishing notices in the *Federal Register* as well as creating and publishing special Commission informational materials. While the NCPC has not fully eliminated spending in this object class category, the agency continues to make progress towards digitizing all work products and materials.

OBJECT CLASS 25.1 - CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - FEDERAL - \$390,000

Expenditures in this object class category include federal interagency agreements with agencies such as the General Services Administration, the Office of Personnel Management, Department of Homeland Security, US Department of Agriculture, the US Treasury's Bureau of Public Debt, and the Department of Health and Human Services. Funding for the agency's federal interagency agreements include services for accounting and financial services support, payroll and human resources support, personnel background investigation clearances, HSPD-12 PIV credentialing services, building security services, federal occupational health and support services, and other administrative and operational support services.

OBJECT CLASS 25.2 - TRAINING AND RELATED COSTS - \$30,000

The NCPC's leadership remains committed to ensuring agency staff are skilled, trained, and highly qualified to fulfill the mission of the organization. Funding in this category will cover staff professional development training in accordance with the NCPC's training and professional development policies to include Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) training in accordance with the agency's *DEIA Strategic Plan*.

OBJECT CLASS 25.3 - CONTRACTUAL SERVICES - NON-FEDERAL - \$445,000

Projected spending in this category includes various program support contracts for technical assistance, and expertise and consultation services for program related studies and projects such as the Pennsylvania Avenue Imitative and activities related to the NCPC's Centennial Anniversary. The projected expenses in this category also include transcription and stenography services, annual independent auditor assessments for fiscal accountability, internal controls, risk management, and cybersecurity consultation and support services.

OBJECT CLASS 25.4 - FACILITIES MAINTENANCE - \$12,000

Anticipated expenses in this area include logistical and set up support during Commission Meetings and other general routine facilities maintenance such as trash removal, light bulb replacement, and other general minor repairs that may be required during the fiscal year.

OBJECT CLASS 25.7 – MACHINE MAINTENANCE - \$80,000

The amount requested in this object class category for FY2023 supports the agency's need to maintain its IT and peripheral infrastructure; it includes anticipated spending for ongoing license renewals for access to various web-based design and architectural programs, system firewalls, server diagnostic licenses and maintenance agreements, patch management and maintenance, database management licenses, and other general license and maintenance agreements for the management and upkeep of the NCPC's IT and physical security equipment, continuity of operations (COOP) operations support, E-Gov efforts, cloud storage, and identity credential, and access management.

OBJECT CLASS 26 - SUPPLIES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS - \$20,000

The anticipated spending in this object class category includes spending for general office supplies and subscriptions for technical publications and materials. Additional spending in this object class category includes official reception and representational expenses associated with hosting international visitors engaged in planning and physical development of world capitals.

OBJECT CLASS 31 - EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE AND FURNITURE - \$82,000

Projected spending in this category includes general maintenance and routine upgrades to the agency's information technology equipment to include a refresh of the staff's IT operating equipment. Spending in the category also includes the purchase of office furniture as part of the office reconfiguration and renovation project.

APPROPRIATIONS LANGUAGE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Capital Planning Commission under chapter 87 of title 40, United States Code, including services as authorized by 5 USC 3109, [\$8,382,000] \$8,630,000: Provided, that one-quarter of one percent of the funds provided under this heading may be used for official reception and representational expenses associated with hosting international visitors engaged in planning and physical development of world capitals.

Note.--A full-year 2022 appropriation for this account was not enacted at the time the Budget was prepared; therefore, the Budget assumes this account is operating under the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2022 (Division A of Public Law 117-43, as amended). The amounts included for 2022 reflect the annualized level provided by the continuing resolution.