COMMISSION ACTION

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN
FISCAL YEARS 2012-2017

Submitted by the Mayor of the District of Columbia

June 2, 2011

Commission Action Requested

Approval of comments to the Mayor and the Council of the District of Columbia pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8723 (b).

Commission Action

The Commission:

Commends the District of Columbia on the inclusion of projects that support federal interests set forth in the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital and other planning documents, such as:

- Investments in the transportation system, including transit improvements, vehicular rehabilitation and other modal system enhancements.
- Projects that will develop new parks and recreation centers and enhance existing parks and open spaces throughout the city.
- Projects that rehabilitate and/or reuse historic buildings, thereby preserving and enhancing the historic identity of the National Capital.
- Funding of long-term planning efforts linked to important capital projects of federal interest.

Requests that the District of Columbia coordinate projects as appropriate with the Commission and with federal agencies whose property or operations may be affected, pursuant to Section 5 of the National Capital Planning Act (40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b) (1) and/or § 8722 (e)) and with regional agencies, as follows:

- The following general areas and topics are of special interest to the Commission, and should be coordinated with NCPC on an ongoing basis:
  - Streetcar Development
  - Public Plans and Studies
  - Park and Open Space improvements
  - Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)
Many projects and studies will require coordination with the Federal Highway Administration, the National Park Service, the General Services Administration, and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, as well as review by the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts. The submitting District agencies should coordinate with these identified entities to determine submission requirements and schedules.

The following specific transportation projects will affect federal interests under the jurisdiction of specific federal government agencies, and therefore should be coordinated with the Commission and with those agencies as noted:

Agencies, with abbreviations:
- Architect of the Capitol (AOC)
- Department of the Navy (DON)
- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC)
- National Park Service (NPS)

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Notes the statutory requirement mandating the District’s submission for Commission review of a number of CIP projects, such as:
- Acquisition or disposition of land or buildings by the District of Columbia government (40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b) (1) and § 8734 (a)).
- Development projects undertaken by the District of Columbia government that affect District of Columbia public buildings and grounds, including parks (40 U.S.C. § 8722 (b) (1) and § 8722(e)).

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