



Commission Action

March 1, 2018

PROJECT Embassy of Singapore - Fence Alterations International Chancery Center 3501 International Place, NW Washington, DC	NCPC FILE NUMBER 7952
SUBMITTED BY United States Department of State	NCPC MAP FILE NUMBER 72.10(38.00)44684
REVIEW AUTHORITY Approval of per Section 4 of the International Center Act (Public Law 90-553, amended by Public Law 97-186)	APPLICANT'S REQUEST Approval of preliminary and final site development plans
	ACTION TAKEN Approved preliminary and final site development plans

The Commission:

Finds that the Embassy of Singapore is the gateway to the International Chancery Center, located at the corner of Van Ness Street and International Drive, NW; and therefore, the design of the fence should reflect the prominence of this location by creating a safe and welcoming entry.

Supports the proposed perimeter fence height of nine feet ten inches (9'-10") for the Singapore Embassy pending the Commission's approval of the related amendment to the Development Controls for Lot 14 at the International Chancery Center (NCPC Project # 0706).

Notes that the proposed fencing will largely consist of a new metal fence mounted on top of the existing perimeter brick wall on the south side. On the east and north portions of the site, it will replace the existing International Center's perimeter fence with an anti-ram metal fence. The new fence and the fence-wall combination will reach a total height of nine feet ten inches (9'-10").

Notes that upon further consultation the Department of State has committed to the following design changes:

1. Maintain the vine-covered perimeter walls and provide additional landscaping to mitigate the height increase of the proposed fencing.
2. Revise the design of the top of the proposed fence from a curvilinear to a straight picket configuration to be less imposing on the public realm and consistent with the majority of fences at the International Chancery Center.
3. Revise the design of the fence to gracefully step down to follow the topography while maintaining a maximum height of nine feet ten inches (9'-10") to be consistent with the

