Delegated Action of the Chairman

PROJECT
Proposed Transfer of Jurisdiction at Square 667-E - S.O. 24-00035
2000 Half Street, SW
Washington, DC

SUBMITTED BY
District of Columbia Department of Buildings, Office of the Surveyor

NCPC FILE NUMBER
8769

NCPC MAP FILE NUMBER
24.40(63.00)46195

ACTION TAKEN
Approved Transfer of Jurisdiction

REVIEW AUTHORITY
Approval
Per 40 U.S.C. § 8124(a)

The District of Columbia Department of Buildings, Office of the Surveyor, has submitted a Transfer of Jurisdiction (TOJ) at Square 667-E in Washington, DC, comprising approximately 18,528 square feet of Lot 805 near Buzzard Point. The proposed TOJ would transfer a portion of the lot from the National Park Service (NPS) to the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT) for the widening of Half Street, SW. NPS has approved the concept drawing on which the TOJ is based.

In 2023, NCPC approved a partial closing of 1st, Water, and V Streets, SW to facilitate a range of improvements to Buzzard Point Park. This closure occurred immediately south of the proposed TOJ area and is referenced in the submission materials. The proposed TOJ would not impact planned improvements to Buzzard Point Park. Further, the proposed transfer would not impact access to federal properties nor any other identified federal interests. As such, the proposal is generally consistent with the Federal Elements of the *Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital.*

NPS and NCPC each have an independent responsibility to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for this transfer of federal land to District jurisdiction. NCPC staff determined that categorical exclusion #7 of its NEPA Regulations applies, which includes the "approval of transfers of jurisdiction pursuant to 40 U.S.C § 8124 that are not anticipated to result in changes in land-use and that have no potential for environmental impact." Staff determined that no extraordinary circumstances existed prior to applying the Categorical Exclusion. NPS and NCPC also have a responsibility to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). NPS submitted an Assessment of Effects form to the District SHPO with the finding that there would be no physical impacts and No Adverse Effect associated with the transfer proposal. The SHPO concurred with the finding on October 22, 2026. This finding is conditioned on NPS placing a covenant, which requires compliance with Section 9b of the DC Historic Landmark and Historic District Protection Act, including protection of archaeological resources, on the property prior to transference and that the NPS will provide a copy of the final, fully executed covenant to DC SHPO for our records within one month after it is recorded. NCPC has designated NPS the lead federal agency for the purposes of complying with Section 106 of the NHPA.

The Coordinating Committee most recently reviewed the proposed transfer at its August 12, 2026 meeting. The Committee forward the proposed transfer of jurisdiction to the Commission with the statement that the proposal was coordinated with all participating agencies. The participating agencies included the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), NPS, DDOT, the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, the District of Columbia Office of Planning, the District of Columbia State Historic Preservation Office (DCSHPO), the District Department of Energy and the Environment, and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit

Authority (WMATA). The DC SHPO coordinated subject to the conclusion of the Section 106 and local preservation review processes.

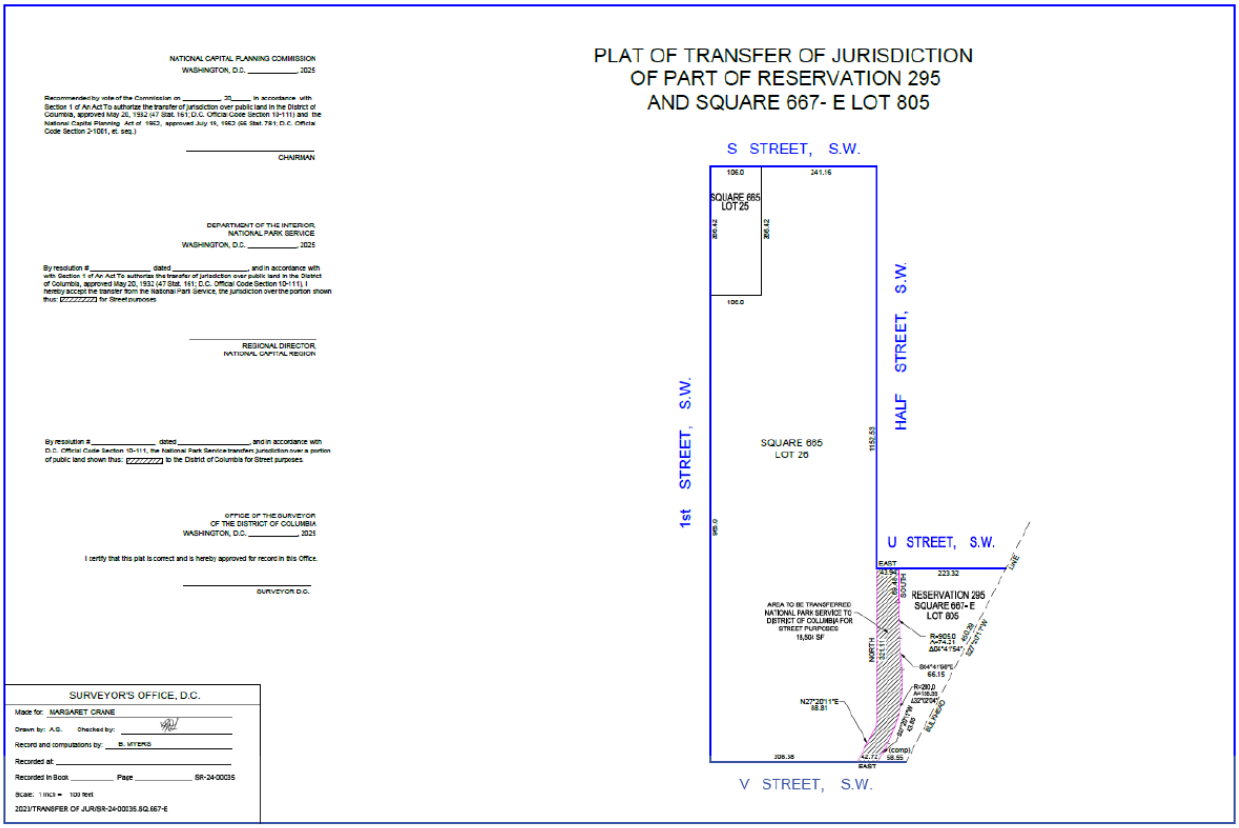


Figure 1: Draft Plat of Transfer

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Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on March 6, 2025 and per 40 U.S.C. § 8124(a), I approve the transfer of jurisdiction of lands at Square 667-E, Lot 805 from the National Park Service to the District of Columbia Department of Transportation for transportation/street purposes.

Mark Paoletta
Chairman

Date