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### **NCPC to Adopt Comp Plan Federal Environment Element Policy Updates**

*Commission also to review Fort Belvoir Commissary Preliminary Site and Building Plans*

**Washington, DC** – At its monthly meeting today, Thursday, October 4, at 1:00 p.m., the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) will be asked to adopt updated policies for Federal Environment Element of the *Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital*. The policies in this element reflect current federal goals regarding sustainability, environmental issues, and best environmental planning practices. The element has updated existing policies as well as new policies that address light pollution, climate change, and energy conservation.

The Commission will also review preliminary site and building plans for a new commissary on Fort Belvoir's North Post. The 137,000 sq. ft. facility will be located next to the new PX facility currently under construction, and will be part of the base's planned North Post Town Center.

Before adjourning, the Commission will hear an information presentation on the National Mall Design Competition winning concepts for Constitution Gardens and the Sylvan Theater, located on the Washington Monument Grounds. No action will be taken on this agenda item.

This month's agenda also includes two consent calendar items (no presentations given):

- Preliminary and final approval of 35% site and building plans for an eleven-story mixed-use building on Parcel N at The Yards development in Southeast, Washington.
- Approval of a transfer of jurisdiction for a triangular portion of land (part of U.S. Reservation 5) bound by Constitution Avenue, Pennsylvania Avenue, NW and the National Gallery of Art's West Building from the National Park Service to the National Gallery of Art.

In addition, the Executive Director approved four items under authorities delegated by the Commission. The final agenda (with order of presentations), staff recommendations, and project materials are available on [NCPC's website](http://www.ncpc.gov). The meeting will be streamed live at <http://www.ncpc.gov/live>.

*The National Capital Planning Commission is the federal government's central planning agency in the District of Columbia and surrounding counties of Maryland and Virginia. The Commission provides overall guidance for federal land and buildings in the region. It also reviews the design of federal projects and memorials, oversees long-range planning for future development, and monitors capital investment by federal agencies.*

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