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Washington Monument Screening Facility before NCPC Today

Commission to Also Review Next Phase of ICC-Bethesda and Federal Reserve's Martin Building Additions

Washington, DC – At its monthly meeting today, Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 1:00 pm the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) will review preliminary site and building plans for a visitor screening facility at the Washington Monument. Plans submitted by the National Park Service (NPS) call for the replacement of the current temporary facility with a permanent structure to be located on the monument's east side. The new facility would provide queuing space for up to 25 visitors, screening equipment, an office, and a staff restroom.

Next the Commission will review preliminary and final building plans submitted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to renovate Erskine and Roberdeau Halls at the Intelligence Community Campus-Bethesda. Plans call for the replacement of both building facades and complete interior renovations. Erskine Hall is a five-story, 378,000 gross sq. ft. building while Roberdeau Hall is three stories and 129,000 gross sq. ft. This project is the second phase of the South Campus' redevelopment.

The final project under review is preliminary and final site and building plans for a new screening pavilion and conference center additions at the Federal Reserve's Martin Building. Plans submitted by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve call for a new one-story 10,000 square feet screening pavilion facing C Street, NW and 35,000 square feet of conference center additions that will concentrate all conference facilities on the building's podium level. The design of the additions will complement the existing building's architecture.

Before adjourning the Commission will hear an update from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments on its recently approved *Place and Opportunities Report* and Regional *Transportation Priorities Plan*. No action is taken on information presentations.

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

- Preliminary site and building plans for a visitor screening facility at the Pentagon (6659)
- Preliminary and final site and building plans for the U.S. Army Transportation Agency Headquarters and Operations Facility at Fort McNair, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall (7473)
- Preliminary site and building plans for a helicopter operations facility at Joint Base Andrews Naval Air Facility Washington (7548)
- Final master plan for the National Institutes of Health Animal Center (MP27)
- Final master plan for the Naval Support Facility U.S. Naval Observatory (NP177)

In addition, the Executive Director approved seven items under authorities delegated by the Commission. The final agenda (with order of presentations) and staff recommendations are available on NCPC's website. The meeting will be streamed live at http://www.ncpc.gov/live. Images of these projects are available upon request.