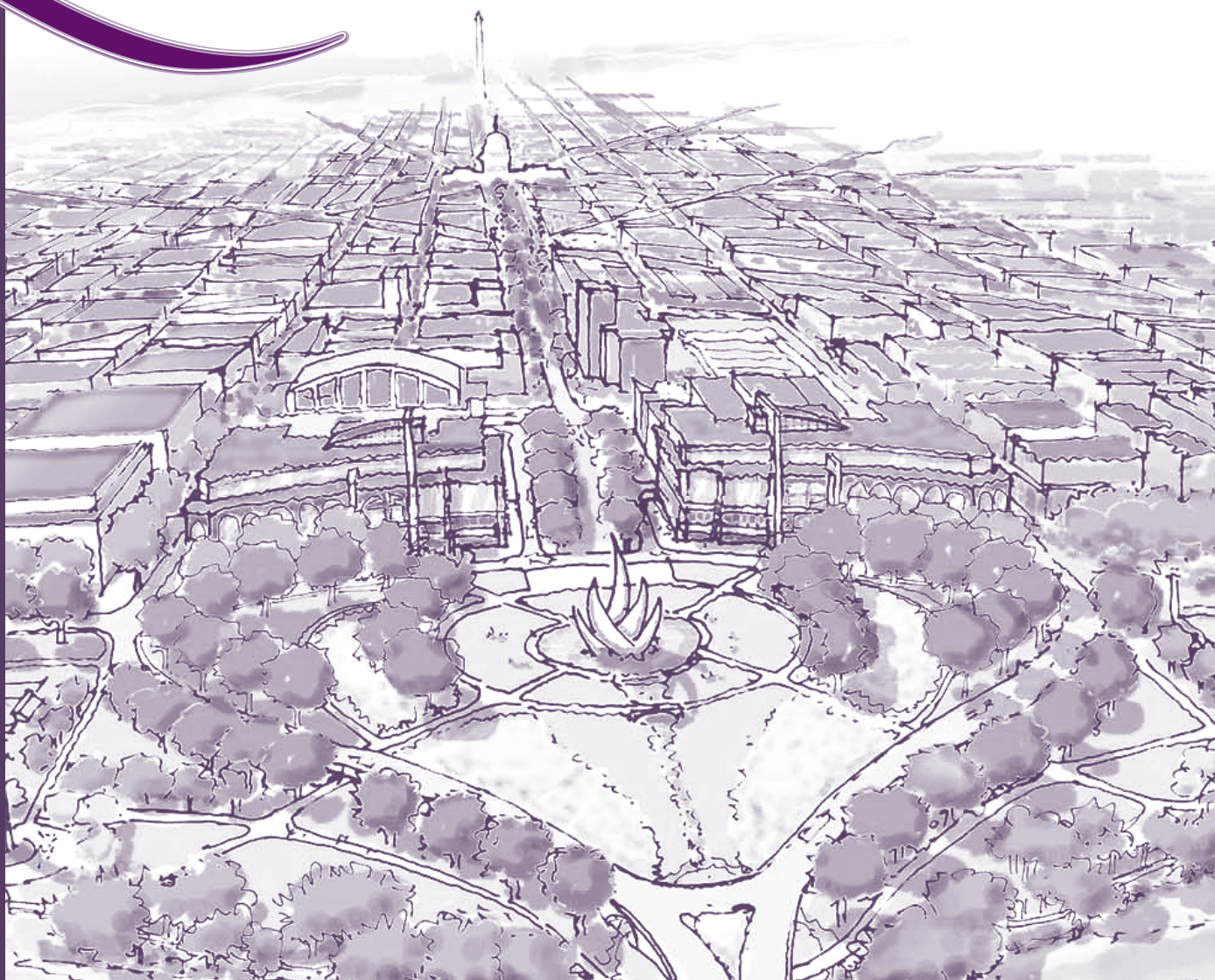


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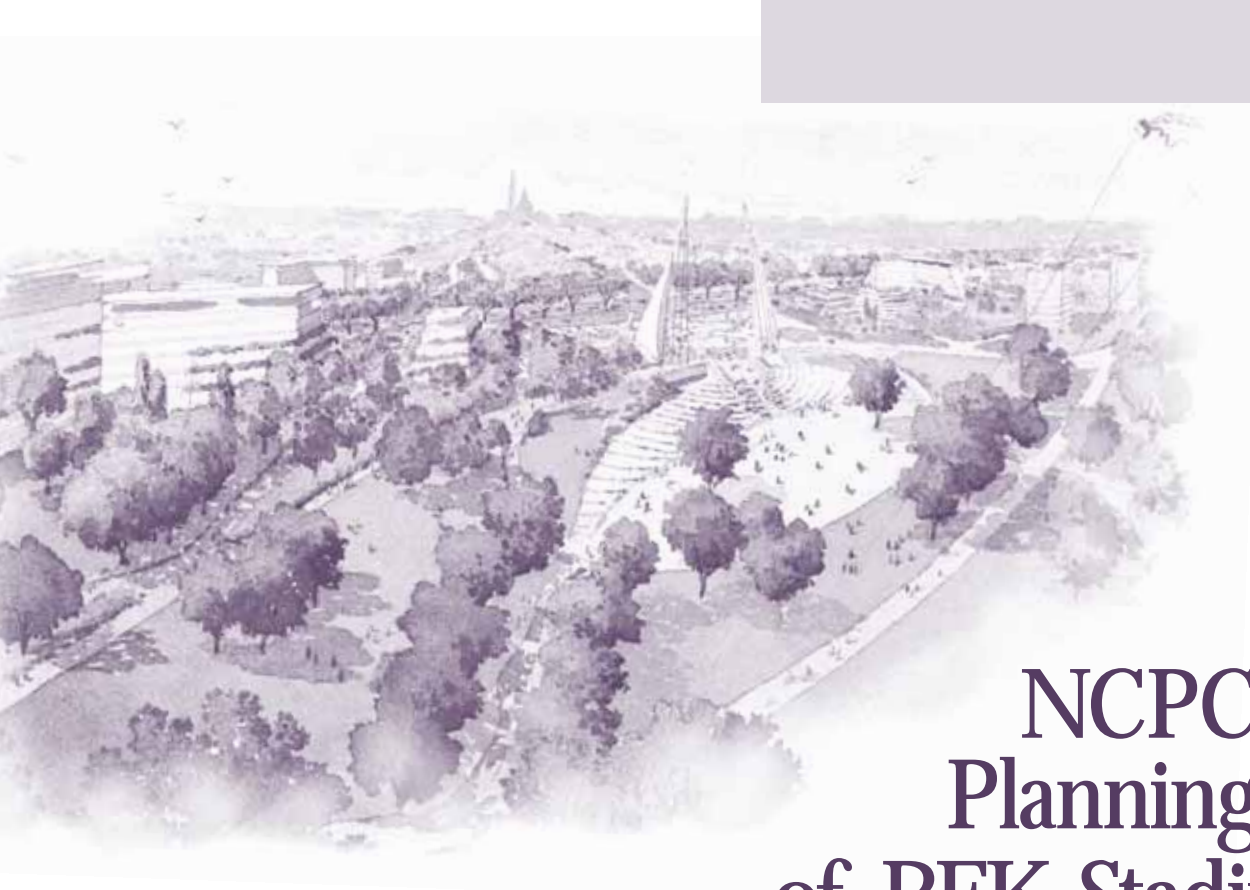
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NCPC Begins Planning Future of RFK Stadium Site

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The RFK Stadium site offers a rare chance to redevelop nearly 200 acres of prime waterfront property.

The Washington Nationals hope to start their 2008 baseball season in a state-of-the-art stadium on South Capitol Street, and D.C. United may soon break ground on a new soccer stadium near Poplar Point. What will happen to the RFK stadium site if both teams leave? The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) has been exploring this important question during the past year, seeking public input and coordinating with numerous stakeholders including District and federal agencies.

The 45-year-old RFK Stadium sits on 190 acres of federal land at the eastern edge of the District of Columbia on the banks of the Anacostia River. The site, which also houses the D.C. Armory, is leased to the District of Columbia for use as a stadium. Under the lease agreement, once the land is no longer used for a stadium, it reverts to the federal government. Since the stadium occupies such a large parcel of land at a major entry point to the nation's capital, NCPC is considering its future now, while there is plenty of time to consider the site's full potential and the city's needs.

Planners at NCPC conducted an extensive study of future uses for the site and sought input from government agencies, civic groups, and city council members. NCPC also held a public comment evening on July 19 that attracted dozens of interested citizens. NCPC drew upon its 50-year vision for the nation's capital that is outlined in the agency's 1997, *Extending the Legacy: Planning America's Capital for the 21st Century*, and staff coordinated the RFK study with its newest initiative, the *National Capital Framework Plan* (see page 4), which includes the RFK stadium site as a focus area. NCPC also was careful to ensure that the future uses it recommends for the site build upon the key principles of the District of Columbia's Anacostia Waterfront Initiative.



NCPC is taking the lead on this issue to ensure that future uses for the site serve the capital city, its residents, workder, and visitors as best they can.

These principles include increased public access to the waterfront, a 200-foot environmental buffer along the water's edge, construction of a riverwalk on both sides of the river, and establishing the area as a prime recreational and ecological precinct.

“The RFK Stadium site offers a rare chance to redevelop nearly 200 acres of prime waterfront property,” said NCPC Chairman John V. Cogbill, III. “NCPC is taking the lead on this issue to ensure that future uses for the site serve the capital city, its residents, workers, and visitors as best they can.”

NCPC incorporated much of the feedback it received during the course of its study and has just released a report that offers planning and design alternatives for the stadium site. In the report, NCPC recommends mixed uses for the redeveloped area, including recreation, open space, cultural and commemorative attractions as well as residences and retail opportunities.

In analyzing the site, NCPC focused on establishing Constitution Avenue, Independence Avenue, and East Capitol Street as symmetrical roadways that offer important links to downtown and the National Mall. Because the site sits at the end of East Capitol Street, NCPC recommends establishing it as the eastern gateway to the historic L'Enfant city, reinforcing critical viewsheds and offering opportunities for national commemoration.

“The RFK site should be a well-designed, environmentally friendly gateway into the monumental core. It should include a large waterfront park, with recreational fields and open space, augmented by commemorative works and connected to the surrounding neighborhoods and Anacostia Riverwalk Trail by pedestrian and bicycle paths,” NCPC states in its report.

NCPC envisions new residential buildings and retail space in the site's interior. Retail offerings would include restaurants and cafés as well as services such as dry cleaners and bookshops. A new commemorative site, across from the D.C. Armory, would mirror the scale of the armory and encompass a 15-acre “superblock,” surrounded by an attractive landscape. NCPC believes a federal building would be appropriate for the area provided that any required perimeter security could be integrated into the civic space without limiting public accessibility.

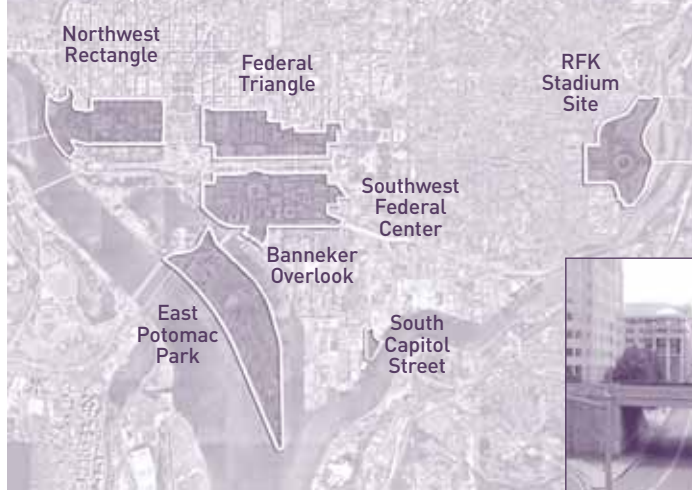
The report also addresses environmental issues, upgrading the area's transportation networks, and planned development in the surrounding area known as Reservation 13, which includes the D.C. Jail and the now-defunct D.C. General Hospital.



NCPC envisions active recreation, a large waterfront park, cultural attractions, and public art enhancing the Metrorail overpass at the RFK Stadium site.



The National Capital Framework Plan will focus on seven key areas.



Existing conditions at Southwest Federal Center



Existing conditions at Banneker Overlook along 10th Street, NW



NCPC: Laying the Groundwork for New National Destinations

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The **National Capital Framework Plan**, a multi-agency effort led by NCPC, in partnership with the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts (CFA), continues to move forward since its launch this past May. The Framework Plan seeks to relieve growing pressure on the National Mall for commemoration, recreation, and public events. It also seeks to support the city's economic development goals by helping to create attractive and desirable new national destinations that can accommodate these uses and draw people to areas beyond the Mall.

NCPC held a public meeting on the Framework Plan on July 25 that drew more than 60 attendees. After a briefing by project manager Elizabeth Miller, participants broke into small groups to discuss the Framework Plan goals. Staff received valuable input, ranging from big urban planning and design ideas to detailed design suggestions. Many participants recommended grouping key destinations near a variety of commercial uses and public spaces that are accessible by public transportation. They also suggested expanding opportunities to shop, eat, rest, and converse. Many also spoke about the need to improve signage, lighting, restroom facilities, and transit access to remote areas. A summary of the public meeting can be found on NCPC's website at www.ncpc.gov under planning initiatives.

A public meeting at NCPC on July 25 drew more than 60 attendees.

Since the July public meeting, planners from NCPC and CFA have given numerous briefings on the Framework Plan to partner agencies and stakeholders. This fall, staff will begin developing the agency's Framework Plan, which will focus on seven areas: the Northwest Rectangle, Federal Triangle, Southwest Federal Center, East Potomac Park, Banneker Overlook, South Capitol Street, and the RFK Stadium Site. This work will include preliminary concept design studies for East Potomac Park, Banneker Overlook, and Maryland Avenue.

In addition, staff is coordinating closely with the D.C. Office of Planning (DCOP) and the Downtown Business Improvement District (DBID) on their joint initiative to develop an updated action agenda for the city center. The Center City Action Agenda seeks to maintain the city's economic momentum and guide growth that occurs in areas near the National Mall to enhance Washington's status among the great world capitals. The initiative recognizes that as the city revitalizes to the south and east, the National Mall will no longer be perceived as an edge but will be in the center of the city. NCPC staff will serve on a steering committee and several subcommittees to help coordinate this important initiative with the National Capital Framework Plan.



NCPC Seeks Solutions for New York Avenue/Florida Avenue

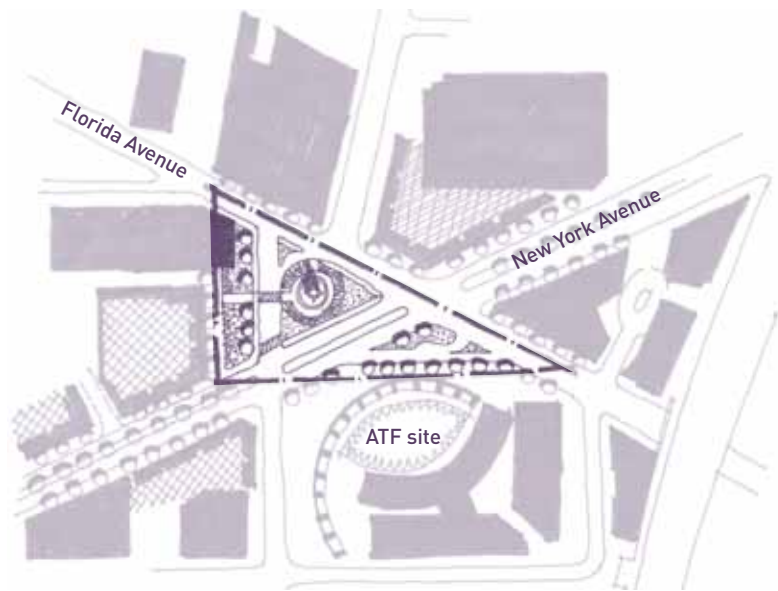
The primary goal of the charrette was to help guide future traffic improvements at this important juncture.

As anyone who listens to Washington's daily traffic reports knows, New York Avenue is one of the region's most congested daily commuter routes. The corridor carries significant local traffic as well as a high volume of truck traffic due to the industrial and commercial businesses that line the avenue. The industrial nature of this strip, however, may soon change. Interest in redeveloping the area is growing as Washington faces an unprecedented demand for housing and commercial development and as developers recognize that much of the land in this area is underutilized. In fact, change is already underway at the intersection of New York and Florida Avenues, home to the new headquarters of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Fire Arms, and Explosives (ATF).

To help address the area's traffic woes and develop ideas for a more mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented neighborhood, NCPC hosted a design charrette from July 12 to July 14 to explore alternative designs for the busy New York and Florida Avenues intersection. Six independent consultants with expertise in different areas such as engineering, traffic flow, economic development, urban design, and planning participated in the three-day session.

Cosponsored by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), the General Services Administration (GSA), and ATF, the charrette included a staff-led walking and driving tour of the New York Avenue corridor and the surrounding area known as "NoMa" (north of Massachusetts Avenue).

The consultants also gathered input from the community through interviews with 36 stakeholders from 24 organizations who were fully briefed on relevant plans and studies prepared by DDOT, NCPC, and the D.C. Office of Planning (DCOP). The briefings focused on DDOT's recent New York Avenue Corridor Study and DCOP's master plan for the area—the *NoMa Vision Plan and Development Study*.



A concept diagram depicting a monument or memorial transforming the intersection of New York and Florida Avenues

At the conclusion of the charrette, each consultant presented his ideas for the area's future design. The consultants challenged the District to reconsider the need to accommodate regional through-traffic on New York Avenue. They recommended that New York Avenue be planned for residents and workers, not commuters and commercial traffic. Ways to better accommodate residents and workers included promoting pedestrian safety west of North Capitol Street and improving other transit options along the corridor such as walking, bicycling and public transit. A third recommendation was to transform the intersection of New York and Florida Avenues into a new urban space, a gateway to the city center. The charrette participants developed three concept diagrams for transforming the intersection, incorporating monuments and memorials and attractive streetscapes.

Using the information provided at the charrette, NCPC and our partner agencies formulated recommendations to help guide future traffic improvements at this important juncture. A draft report is now available on NCPC's website and the final report, incorporating all public comments, will be available from NCPC in mid-October.

NCPC looks forward to continuing to collaborate with its partners to transform this important intersection and realize the full potential of this changing area.

Army Corps Briefs Commission on Washington's Flood Prevention Measures

Following record-breaking torrential rains in June that resulted in major flooding throughout the Washington region, the National Capital Planning Commission asked representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to provide a status report on plans to guard the National Mall and nearby lands and buildings against flooding. Four days of rain caused serious water damage to downtown attractions and federal facilities, including several Smithsonian museums, the Internal Revenue Service, the Department of Justice, and the National Archives, which had an estimated \$2 million in damages.

The Corps reported that the last major flood implementation plan for downtown Washington was produced in 1939 following the Great Flood of 1936. It was later modified in 1996. These current protection measures include a permanent levee, (the Potomac Park Levee) located alongside the Tidal Basin between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial, and three temporary closures that are manually constructed of sandbags, jersey barriers, plastic sheeting, and earth when the Potomac River rises to certain levels. The temporary closures are located at Constitution Avenue west of 23rd Street, NW; 17th Street south of Constitution Avenue, NW; and at Canal and P Streets, NW by Fort McNair.



Temporary sandbag and jersey barrier closure at 17th Street constructed by the National Park Service in preparation for Hurricane Isabel

The Army Corps of Engineers proposes strengthening these flood control measures to better protect the Mall and downtown against a potential “100-year flood” by raising the top of the existing Potomac Park Levee to a consistent height and transforming the current temporary closures into more permanent ones. Without these temporary closures a major flood could cause more than \$200 million in damages to museums, memorials, and office buildings.

The Corps has submitted a \$3 million funding request for these capital improvements to the Office of Management and Budget. NCPC recommended and strongly endorsed the request in its recently released *Federal Capital Improvements Program 2007-2012*. Once the project is funded, the Corps will examine various design options with NCPC playing an active role in the planning process.



Levee between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument



1942 flood damage on the National Mall

Eisenhower Memorial to Locate on Site Identified in NCPC's Memorials and Museums Master Plan

NCPC Commission members approved the site for a memorial honoring President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The memorial will salute Eisenhower's career from his military honors during World War II to his time in the White House in which he created the National Interstate Highway system, expanded Social Security, and passed two Civil Rights Acts.

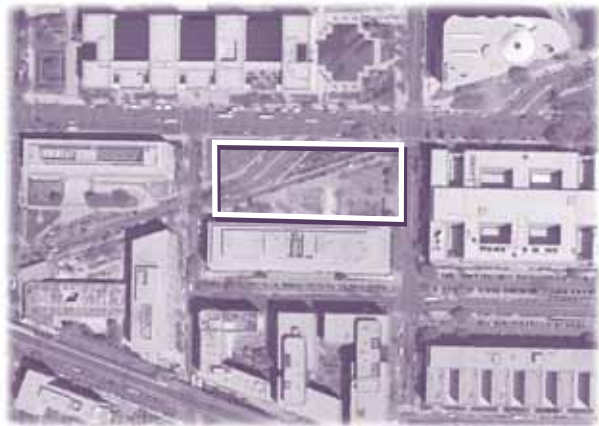
The four-acre memorial site is currently bisected by Maryland Avenue but will become a cohesive parcel that provides a meaningful gathering place and unifies the surrounding precinct. In granting its approval, the Commission noted that the project's potential effects on historic Maryland Avenue rights-of-way and associated views and vistas merit special attention. Therefore, the Commission required the applicant, before and during design development, to obtain the views of the D.C. Historic Preservation Officer and relevant consulting parties through the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act. The Act is intended to mitigate potentially adverse impacts on the city's historic resources.

The Commission further required that the applicant meet the following design principles, among others, under the Section 106 consultation process:

- Preserve reciprocal views to and from the U.S. Capitol along Maryland Avenue, SW.;
- Enhance the nature of the site as one in a sequence of public spaces embellishing the Maryland Avenue vista;
- Reflect the L'Enfant Plan principles by shaping the memorial site as a separate and distinct public space that complements the Department of Education Headquarters and other surrounding buildings.

The Commission noted that additional guidelines may be added during the Section 106 review process and that NCPC's "Finding of No Significant Impact" (FONSI) for the site is subject to the development and implementation of appropriate mitigation measures, including adhering to NCPC's design principles and the Section 106 consultation process.

The four-acre Eisenhower Memorial site is located near the Department of Education headquarters in Southwest.



Adoption of FCIP 2007-2012

The *Federal Capital Improvements Program Fiscal Years 2007-2012* (FCIP) contains 200 capital improvement projects totaling \$7.7 billion submitted by federal agencies as well as 38 projects initiated by NCPC for future programming. In September the Commission unanimously adopted the FCIP for the National Capital Region (NCR).

The FCIP is a core NCPC activity, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requires all federal agencies to submit planned capital improvements to NCPC. In the FCIP, NCPC evaluates the capital improvements projects of all federal agencies in the NCR for their conformance with the plans and policies of the Commission, regional planning bodies, and local and state governments.

New projects in this FCIP include the Georgetown Waterfront Park design and construction, updating the National Mall Master Plan, and environmental mitigation on 44 acres of the new Southeast Federal Center. This year's FCIP also includes a summary of Base Realignment and Closure Commission actions in the NCR. The two major installations affected are Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and Fort Belvoir Army Base in Fairfax, Virginia.

The approved FCIP will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to guide budgetary decisions for the President's annual budget.

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Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitor Center

The Commission approved site selection and design guidelines for the planned Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitor Center in August. The Center will be constructed on the grounds of the Lincoln Memorial, which is bound by Constitution Avenue, Henry Bacon Drive, Lincoln Memorial Circle, and 23rd Street, NW. The Center will provide an educational context to the adjacent Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

The Commission considered several factors in its review of the site, including its mandate to follow the Commemorative Works Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act. These laws help preserve and protect the scenic, historic, and environmental resources of our capital. The Commission also complied with the authorizing legislation for the Visitor Center in which the U.S. Congress specified that it be located underground.

The Commission's approval of the site is dependent upon implementation of 14 specific design guidelines that would reduce the otherwise significant impacts of the project, including requiring the applicant to:

- Ensure that no portion of the building or related building elements are visible from any portion of the Lincoln Memorial steps or surrounding areas;
- Maintain the character of the historic landscape;
- Maintain the existing grade, with any new slopes being gradual;
- Ensure that light emanating from the Center's interior will not be visible from any portion of the Lincoln Memorial or surrounding memorials;
- Ensure that no protrusions, such as skylights, monitors, light wells, or sunken areaways, will be visible from the sidewalk surrounding the site.

The guidelines also prohibit new vehicle parking areas or additional paved areas for gathering or queuing and stipulate that the center have a single entrance to accommodate both visitors and service deliveries.

Fort Reno to Receive Upgraded Ball Fields

The Commission approved preliminary and final site development plans to renovate the Fort Reno Park ball fields in Northwest Washington. New recreation facilities will be constructed on a 9.8-acre portion of the 45-acre park. The renovation will include construction of a new baseball diamond, a new regulation-sized soccer field, a soccer practice area, and rebuilding a pathway and sidewalk. The District Department of Recreation submitted the plans on behalf of the National Park Service because the District department manages the park's athletic fields under an agreement with the Park Service.

During its deliberations, the Commission received testimony from private citizens and civic groups, including the Friends of Fort Reno Athletic Fields and the Tenleytown Historical Society.

In granting its approval, the Commission encouraged the National Park Service to improve the conditions, visibility, connections, and overall management of the Fort Circle Parks in consultation with NCPD, the District of Columbia, local Advisory Neighborhood Commissions, and neighborhood organizations.

New recreation facilities at Fort Reno in Northwest Washington



The new courtyard design for the historic Patent Office Building



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Zoning Change to Affect Area Around New Baseball Stadium, South Capitol Street

The Commission commented favorably on the District of Columbia Zoning Commission's proposal to amend the Capitol Gateway Overlay District in the zoning regulations. The Capitol Gateway Overlay District includes the South Capitol Street Corridor from M Street to the Anacostia River, as well as the entertainment district that is planned for the area around the new baseball stadium.

The Commission supports the text amendment, which would encourage mixed-use development at varying densities, establish a mandatory 15-foot setback along South Capitol Street, and require Zoning Commission review for all new development along South Capitol Street and Half Street between N and M Streets, SE. The Commission also concluded that the proposal to amend the text amendments would not adversely affect the identified federal interests nor be inconsistent with the Federal Elements of the *Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital*.

The federal interests affected by this proposal include the South Capitol Street corridor, an area that NCPC has promoted for revitalization since releasing its 1997 Legacy Plan. NCPC also formed the South Capitol Street Task Force, which developed design scenarios for the corridor in 2005. Other federal interests in the area include Fort McNair and the Southeast Federal Center, both of which are adjacent to the Capitol Gateway Overlay District, as well as three sites identified in NCPC's *Memorials and Museums Master Plan*, which are within the Overlay Zone.

The Commission recommended that the Zoning Commission initiate an additional zoning action to extend the Capitol Gateway Overlay on South Capitol Street north of M Street to the future intersection of Virginia Avenue.

NCPC Approves Courtyard Landscape Plan for Patent Office Building

The Old Patent Office Building, currently home to the Smithsonian American Art Museum and the National Portrait Gallery, will receive a new interior courtyard. In July the Commission approved final site development plans for the reconstruction of the building's courtyard landscape.

In granting its approval, the Commission noted that the Smithsonian Institution had responded positively to earlier Commission recommendations during the preliminary approval process and developed a courtyard design that will serve as a public amenity for all visitors. The new courtyard will feature a water scrim that circulates water through perforated pavers, light and dark granite pavers throughout, and a canopy of trees with groundcover beneath.

Concerned about the loss of historic courtyard fountains—damaged beyond repair but original to the site—the Commission recommended that the fountains be treated as artifacts and interpreted in a permanent exhibit on site.

The Old Patent Office Building is a National Historic Landmark located between 7th and 9th Streets, NW and F and G Streets, NW in the heart of a revitalized section of Washington, just a few blocks from the National Mall.

Judiciary Square North Site Improvements

The District of Columbia Courts submitted a concept design for planting, security, lighting, and signage improvements to the northern portion of Judiciary Square. The Commission commented favorably on the concept design for the 400 block of E Street, NW, which includes several court buildings.

The planned improvements are in keeping with the Judiciary Square Master Plan, approved by the Commission in 2005, which seeks to reestablish the character of the historic square and respond to modern-day program requirements.

The Commission required the applicant to coordinate with adjacent property owners, particularly the National Park Service, before bringing the next phase of their plans before the Commission.

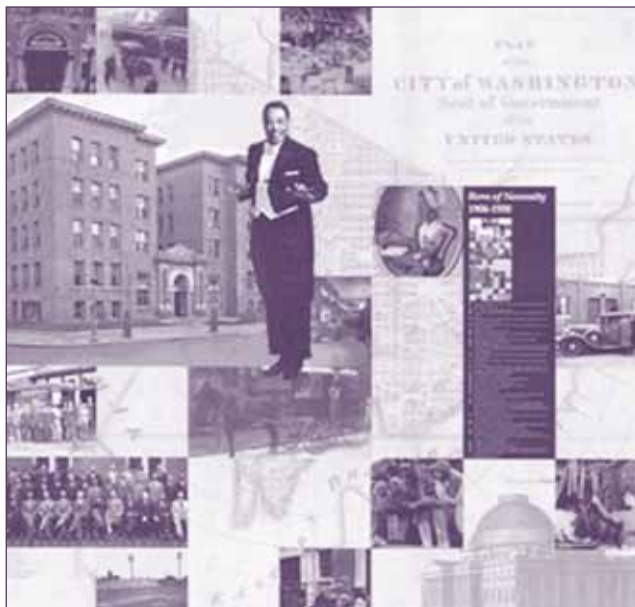
Final Touches Approved for ATF Headquarters

The new Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) headquarters is currently nearing completion at the intersection of New York and Florida Avenues, NE. The site will include four art panels, a flag pole, and satellite dish antennas after the Commission approved preliminary and final site and building plans for those elements.

The Commission required the applicant, the General Services Administration (GSA), to investigate with ATF the feasibility of erecting a screen around the rooftop satellite dish antennas, so they will not be visible from the ground, and to report its finding to the NCPC Executive Director.

The four porcelain-finished art panels will be incorporated into the storefront of the ground floor retail building facing 2nd Street. The panels will represent a history of the area through a collage of photographs, maps, and other memorabilia. The 40-foot high flagpole at the intersection of New York Avenue and First Street, NE will highlight the ceremonial entrance of the building, which is located on the New York Avenue gateway to the historic L'Enfant City.

One of four planned art panels at ATF



White Oak Federal Research Center Updates Master Plan

The Commission approved—with several stipulations—an updated Master Plan and Transportation Management Plan for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) consolidation at the White Oak Federal Research Center in Montgomery County, Maryland. Plan modifications for the 600-acre federal facility reflect an increase in the number of projected employees since a 2002 update, with a corresponding expansion of lab, office, and parking facilities.

The Commission required that the FDA submit specific details on fencing, gates, a free-standing pavilion at the redesigned entry forecourt, and permanent anti-ram and retractable vehicular barriers. The Commission also expressed concern that under the updated Master Plan the campus will remain without landscaping, other than seeding, until the final construction phase in 2011. The Commissioners recommended that the applicant revise and resubmit landscape concept plans, depicting trees to be saved and to outline no-build stream valley buffer zones.

In response to the revised Transportation Management Plan, NCPC noted that the FDA was taking steps to reduce reliance on automobile commutes by hiring a full-time Employee Transportation Coordinator and establishing shuttle service to three Metrorail stations. The Commission stipulated, however, that the FDA hold the available parking spaces to one space for every 1.5 employees through 2011. This ratio will limit the number of employee parking spaces on the campus to 5,141. The Commission also recommended that the FDA and GSA continue to work with Montgomery County and relevant transit agencies to increase ground transportation from the campus to Metrorail stations and consider establishing a public cross-country express bus to serve Montgomery County and the White Oak site.

Commission Approves Revised Modernization Plan for the U.S. National Arboretum

The Commission approved modifications to final site and building plans for a new greenhouse and headhouse at the National Arboretum, located at 3501 New York Avenue, NE. In 2004, NCPC approved final site and building plans for the new greenhouse and enhanced headhouse, which will include new office and storage space. The revised plans now include a covered sidewalk connecting the two buildings. The structures will occupy a quarter-acre site located north of the arboretum's administration building.

The Commission determined that the plan is consistent with the Federal Elements of the *Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital*.

Congressman Davis Appoints New Representatives to NCPC

Representative Tom Davis, Chairman of the House Committee on Government Reform and an ex-officio member of NCPC, recently appointed two new alternates to serve on the Commission. **Lawrence Halloran**, Deputy Staff Director for the committee, will serve as the second alternate for Chairman Davis. **Michael Sazonov**, Professional Staff Member, will serve as third alternate. The Commission thanks departing alternates Robert White and Shalley Kim for their dedicated service.



Making the Bus Fly: NCPC Hosts Washington Regional Network Forum

Rapid bus service offers an attractive alternative to rail transit, which takes years to plan and construct, because high-performance buses take a fraction of the time and expense to become operational.



On Wednesday, July 26, NCPC hosted the Washington Regional Network forum **Making the Bus Fly: Delivering Great New Bus Service Tomorrow**, which featured speakers from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, District Department of Transportation, and Maryland Transit Administration. Panelists discussed how this new service can fill a critical gap between conventional bus service that covers a broad area and high-capacity but costly rail service. The program explored local efforts to bring rapid bus service to Georgia Avenue in the District, University Boulevard in inner Prince George's and Montgomery counties, and Columbia Pike in Arlington, Virginia.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

In August, NCPC hosted a visitor from **Australia's national capital, Canberra**. Todd Rohl, who is Director of Planning for the National Capital Authority (NCA), Australia's national planning body, spent a week in Washington meeting with NCPC staff and other agency representatives, sharing ideas on planning for capital cities. The NCA handles planning, promotion, management of the public realm, and commemoration in national areas for the Australian capital. The NCA is a founding member of Capitals Alliance, a forum for senior planning officials from capital cities around the world, along with NCPC and its counterparts in Ottawa and Brasilia.

More than 30 mayors from **Chongqing, China**, visited NCPC in July. The delegation was sponsored by the American Planning Association's (APA) long-running urban planning training program. Executive Director Patti Gallagher addressed the delegation, providing an overview of NCPC's role in planning for the federal government in the National Capital Region and discussing NCPC's newest initiative, the National Capital Framework Plan. NCPC has supported the APA China Program for several years as part of the agency's commitment to sharing knowledge with colleagues overseas and fostering information exchange.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michelle Desiderio joined NCPC's Planning Research and Policy Division in August as a Community Planner. Before joining NCPC, Ms. Desiderio managed Fannie Mae's Housing and Environment Initiative, which promoted housing affordability through resource-efficient homes. Previously, Ms. Desiderio worked for the National Association of Homebuilders and was Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs for the New York City Department of City Planning. Ms. Desiderio holds a Master of Urban Planning and Environmental Policy from the University of Virginia and a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies from SUNY College of Environmental Sciences and Forestry.

Kate Goggin joined the Office of Public Affairs in July as a Public Affairs Specialist, bringing to NCPC more than 15 years of public- and private-sector communications experience. Ms. Goggin relocated from Sofia, Bulgaria, where she worked as the Community Liaison Office (CLO) Coordinator at the U.S. Embassy. Her government service also includes time with the Peace Corps. Previously, Ms. Goggin worked at the National Press Club as Director of the President's Office and Programs and managed the luncheon speaker series. She holds a Bachelor's degree from George Mason University in Communications Consulting.

NCPC's Urban Design and Plan Review Division hosted Brown University student **Jack Walsh** for a summer internship. An urban studies major, Mr. Walsh helped review and analyze federal and District building projects, District zoning projects, and Pennsylvania Avenue Development projects.

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What's Ahead at NCPC

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Release of **Worthy of the Nation**, Washington, D.C. from
L'Enfant to the National Capital Planning Commission.

DECEMBER

Dec. 6 - A *Worthy of the Nation* symposium at the National Press Club,
on the shape of things to come for America's capital city.

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