



Commission Action

June 5, 2025

PROJECT The Heritage Men's Emergency Shelter 1201 New York Avenue, NE Washington, DC	NCPC FILE NUMBER 8661
SUBMITTED BY District of Columbia Department of General Services	NCPC MAP FILE NUMBER 43.00(38.00)46028
REVIEW AUTHORITY District Projects Outside the Central Area per 40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1)	APPLICANT'S REQUEST Approval of comments on concept plans
	ACTION TAKEN Approve preliminary site and building plans with comments

The Commission:

Approves the preliminary site and building plans for The Heritage Men's Emergency Shelter located at 1201 New York Avenue in northeast Washington, DC.

Notes the project is consistent with the 1910 Height of Buildings Act based on New York Avenue's historic 130-foot width and the new shelter building's maximum 83-foot height at the East Wing.

Notes the property is owned by the federal government, but under the control of the District of Columbia pursuant to a 2010 transfer of jurisdiction from the National Park Service. The Department of General Services and National Park Service are coordinating on an amendment to the transfer of jurisdiction to allow the proposed new men's shelter and to expand the forest conservation area.

Notes the amended transfer of jurisdiction must be submitted to NCPC for approval.

Notes the preliminary landscape plan includes mostly native and origin species, which includes Butterfly and Swamp Milkweed, and the plans are consistent with the NCPC Pollinator Best Practices Guide.

Recommends the applicant consider additional street trees along the property's New York Avenue frontage in order to help enhance the corridor as an important gateway to central Washington, DC, and **encourages** the applicant to coordinate with the District Department of Transportation regarding the streetscape design.



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