Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture
Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting #11

Date of Meeting: March 16, 2011
Project: Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture
Location of Meeting: NMAAHC Site
Time of Meeting: 2:00 pm

Attendees:
- Patsy Fletcher, AAHGS
- Amy Ballard, SI OFEO
- Peter May, NPS-NCR
- Louise Brodnitz, ACHP
- Kelan Dyer, SI OFEO
- Judy Robinson, Robinson & Associates
- Daria Gasparini, Robinson & Associates
- Ken Walton, NCPC
- Rodrigo Abela, Gustafson, Guthrie, Nichol
- Jane Passman, SI OFEO
- Ann Trowbridge, SI OFEO
- Zena Howard, The Freelon Group
- Elsa Santoyo, SmithGroup
- Phil Freelon, The Freelon Group
- David Levy, NCPC
- Ben Dieterle, NPS-President’s Park

Meeting Summary

The meeting took place at the NMAAHC site which had been staked out to demarcate landscape features and building dimensions. Stakes were used to indicate the location and elevation of landscape features; balloons were used to indicate the location and height of the corona and the porch.

Rodrigo Abela, Gustafson, Guthrie, Nichol, distributed staking plans to attendees. Members of the design team were available for questions. Judith Robinson, Robinson & Associates, stated that the consulting parties could address comments on the stake out to Daria Gasparini, Robinson & Associates, or Amy Ballard, SI OFEO, either during the site visit or after, via email.

The group walked the site beginning at the southeast corner and traversing it counterclockwise to view all perspectives. The design team described the location of various features including the water elements on the south and north, the porch, the paths, the building entrances, the skylight on the west, and the allee of trees along Constitution Avenue. After viewing the site, the group walked east along Madison Drive to view the site from the Mall.