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**GANSEVOORT PENINSULA PARK MOVES FORWARD:
HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST ISSUES CALL FOR CONSTRUCTION PROPOSALS**

Largest single park space in Hudson River Park will include Manhattan's first public beach

Construction on 5.5-acre project is expected to start this spring

NEW YORK (February 4, 2021) -- The Hudson River Park Trust announced three Requests for Proposals (RFP) for the construction of the 5.5-acre Gansevoort Peninsula, which will provide direct waterfront access for the public with a resilient beachfront as well as the largest single greenspace in the Park. Construction is slated to begin this spring. The \$70 million project is funded primarily by the City of New York and restricted funds to the Trust and expected to open in spring 2023.

"We are thrilled that the Trust is continuing to build on the success of the recently opened and very popular Pier 26 with the redevelopment of Gansevoort Peninsula," **said Deputy Mayor Vicki Been**. "The creative and unique design will add to New York City's diverse and ever-growing selection of world class parks and community spaces. The City is proud to invest in expanding open spaces for New Yorkers and moving the Hudson River Park one step closer to completion. Thanks to CEO Madelyn Wils and the talented team at the Trust for the vision and drive it took to get to this milestone!"

"Gansevoort Peninsula will be a spectacular public space for all New Yorkers, whether they're enjoying Manhattan's first public beach, playing on the ballfields or looking out in the salt marsh," **said Madelyn Wils, President & CEO of the Hudson River Park Trust**. "As Hudson River Park moves closer to completion, we are excited to be in position to start construction on one of our signature projects this coming spring. Thank you to our funding partner, the City of New York, for its support of what will be the largest single greenspace in Hudson River Park."

Located in Hudson River Park between Gansevoort Street and Little West 12th Street, Gansevoort Peninsula will include a sandy beach area with kayak access on the south side; a lawn and seating area north of the beach; a large sports field; a salt marsh with habitat enhancements on the north side, a dog run and on its western side, picnic tables and lounge chairs.

The Whitney Museum of American Art is also building "Day's End" by David Hammons on the southern edge of the peninsula in partnership with the Trust, which will be one of the country's largest public art projects upon completion later this year.

Gansevoort Peninsula is just one of a slew of signature projects either recently opened or underway along the four-mile park. Overall, the Trust is spearheading more than \$1 billion in public-private partnerships in ongoing construction toward completion of the Park.

In September, the Trust opened Pier 26, the first new public pier to open in the Park in a decade, to much acclaim. The park features a first-of-its-kind tide deck, a sunning lawn, a sports court for children's play, and multiple lounge areas with sprawling views of the city skyline and Hudson River.

At the same time, construction is nearing completion on Little Island, the planned public park pier and performance space once known as Pier55 and expected to open this spring. That project was made possible through funding from the Diller-Von Furstenberg Family Foundation along with the City of New York. Work is also ongoing at Pier 57, a mixed-use development by RXR Realty/Youngwoo and anchored by Google, which will include more than three acres of public open space, including a rooftop park and perimeter esplanade and substantial indoor public space anchored by exhibition and classroom space for Hudson River Park's River Project – also expected to open this year. At the same time, the Trust plans to break ground this spring on two additional public park projects: Pier 97, which will include a lawn, playground, sunset plaza, and youth soccer fields, along with an esplanade connection to Riverside Park South; and a reconfiguration of Chelsea Waterside Park, which will include a rebuilt ball field, picnic areas and an enlarged ball field, joining the new and popular playground.

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About Hudson River Park

Hudson River Park extends from Chambers Street to 59th Street along Manhattan's west side, making it one of the longest riverfront parks in the United States and an important outdoor recreational area for countless New Yorkers. The Park plays a critical role in protecting the Hudson River ecosystem and is committed to educating residents on the local habitat and environment.