

**MEETING OF THE  
HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Pier 40, PMDC Conference Room  
353 West Street  
New York, NY**

**July 29, 2021 at 4:30 pm**

**MINUTES**

**Directors Present:**

Vicki Been, Chair  
Patrick Foster for Director Seggos  
Leslie Wright for Director Kulleseid  
Rose Harvey  
Sarah Nielson for Director Silver  
Aloysee Heredia Jarmoszuk  
Purnima Kapur  
Lowell Kern  
Pamela Frederick

**Appearances:**

Hudson River Park Trust  
Noreen Doyle, President and CEO  
Daniel Kurtz, CFO and Executive Vice President, Finance & Real Estate  
Christine Fazio, General Counsel

Also present:

Jeffrey LeFrancois, Advisory Council Chair

With a quorum being present, Chair Been called to order the July 29, 2021 meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors. Chair Been then noted that the Directors have received the Agenda materials in advance of the meeting and are free to ask questions or comment at any time on the action items submitted for approval today. Chair Been further noted that questions or comments from the audience will not be entertained at this meeting. She explained that the Board memos and resolutions prepared by Trust staff that are on the agenda have been posted on the Trust website in the link entitled Board Meetings, Bylaws and Other Materials under Board Agendas and Minutes and thus are available to the public.

Chair Been noted that there are 7 items on the Consent Agenda for today's meeting: 1) Approval of Minutes and Ratification of the Actions Taken at the June 3, 2021 Meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors; 2) Ratification of and Authorization to Contract with EcoRich, LLC for Purchase, Installation and Service of Large Composting Vessel; 3) Ratification of and Authorization to Contract with Carrier Communications for Parkwide Security Camera Expansion Project; 4) Authorization to Amend Contract with Hunter Roberts Construction Group, LLC for Parkwide Marine Construction Management Services; 5) Authorization to Extend Contract Term with McKeon Door East, Inc. for Pier 62 Carousel Gate Repairs; 6) Authorization to Amend Contract with Slade Industries Inc. for Pier 40 Elevator Inspection, Maintenance and Repair Services; and 7) Authorization to Amend Contract with New York State Industries of the Disabled, Inc. for Parkwide Interior Janitorial Services.

Chair Been then asked if there were any questions or comments. There being none, upon a properly called motion, the following consent agenda items were unanimously approved by the Directors.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST - Approval of Minutes of and Ratification of the Actions Taken at the June 3, 2021 Meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors**

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**RESOLVED**, that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors held on June 3, 2021 are hereby approved by the Board of Directors, and all actions taken by the Directors present at such meeting, as set forth in the Minutes, are hereby in all respects, approved and ratified as actions of the Hudson River Park Trust, and a copy of such approved Minutes are hereby ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST - Authorization to Contract with EcoRich, LLC for Purchase, Installation and Servicing of Large Composting Vessel for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$126,500**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to contract with EcoRich, LLC for the Purchase, Installation, and Servicing of a Large Composting Vessel for an amount of \$115,000, plus a 10% contingency, for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$126,500 for a three-year term; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President's designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby authorized to take such actions as the President or the President's designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Contract with Carrier Communications Corp. (d/b/a Multi-Media Communications) for the Parkwide Security Camera Expansion Project in a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$354,000**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to contract with Carrier Communications Corp. (d/b/a Multi-Media Communications) for the Parkwide Security Camera Expansion Project for up to a two-year term for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$354,000; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President's designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby, authorized to take such actions as the President or the President's designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Amend the Contract with Hunter Roberts Construction Group, LLC for Parkwide Marine Construction Management Services for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$975,000**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to amend the contract with Hunter Roberts

Construction Group, LLC for Parkwide Marine Construction Management Services for an additional amount of \$161,456.50 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$975,000 and to extend the term by one year; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President’s designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby, authorized to take such actions as the President or the President’s designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST - Authorization to Extend the Term of Contract with McKeon Door East, Inc. for the Pier 62 Carousel Gate Repair**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to extend the term of contract with McKeon Door East, Inc. for the Pier 62 Carousel Gate Repair through September 30, 2021; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President’s designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby authorized to take such actions as the President or the President’s designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST - Authorization to Amend Contract with Slade Industries Inc. for the Pier 40 Elevator Inspection, Maintenance and Repair Services for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$137,709**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes Hudson River Park Trust to amend the contract with Slade Industries Inc. for Pier 40 Elevator Inspection, Maintenance and Repair Services by an additional \$68,854 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$137,709; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President’s designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby authorized to take such actions as the President or President’s designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST - Authorization for Hudson River Park Trust to Amend Contract with New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. for Parkwide Interior Cleaning Services for an Additional \$113,000 and to Extend the Term to March 31, 2022**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to amend the contract with New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. for Parkwide Interior Cleaning Services for an additional \$113,000, inclusive of a 10% contingency, for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$1,867,848, and to extend the term by six months, or through March 31, 2022; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President's designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby authorized to take such actions as the President or the President's designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the foregoing resolution.

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Chair Been then proceeded with the corporate actions, introducing the first item: a request for Authorization to Contract with Verde Electric Corporation for Pier 97 Electrical Construction.

President Doyle began by explaining that the transformation of Pier 97 into public open space requires the services of an electrical contractor to install the lighting, power distribution and other electrical components for build out of the pier. In accordance with its Procurement Guidelines, the Trust issued the Pier 97 Electrical Construction RFP for the period between March 29 and May 14, 2021. The Trust received four proposals on the submission deadline. A selection committee comprised of the Trust's Design/Construction and Legal staff reviewed the submissions and evaluated each submission according to the selection criteria in the RFP and then conducted interviews with the three top ranked proposers.

Based on the proposals, responses to clarifying questions and interviews, Trust staff recommends entering into a contract with Verde Electric Corporation as the highest ranked proposer. Verde has successfully completed electrical construction projects in Central Park and Riverside Park. Funding for this contract will be provided by New York State.

President Doyle then requested Board authorization to contract with Verde Electric Corporation for Pier 97 Electrical Construction in an amount of \$2,006,095 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$2,206,705.

Chair Been asked if there were any questions or comments. There being none, upon a properly called motion, the following resolution passed unanimously.

**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Contract with Verde Electric Corporation for the Pier 97 Electrical Construction for a Total Board Authorized Amount of \$2,206,705**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to contract with Verde Electric Corporation for the Pier 97 Electrical Construction in an amount not to exceed \$2,006,095 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of \$2,206,705; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President’s designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby, authorized to take such actions as the President or the President’s designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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Chair Been then referred the Directors to the next item before the Board: a request for Authorization to Contract with Alpine Construction and Landscaping Corp. for Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Site and Landscape Work, E.W. Howell Co., LLC for Comfort Station Construction and Athletic Fields of America for the Athletic Field Turf Replacement.

President Doyle stated that Trust staff has provided three separate memos and resolutions for the Board’s consideration related to the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase II project. As the background and context for the three proposed contractor selections is the same, Ms. Doyle introduced the three memos together.

Chelsea Waterside Park was originally designed and built by the New York State Department of Transportation as part of the Route 9A project and opened to the public in 2000. The ballfield, dog run, playground and other components of the Park receive heavy use, and as a result, the Trust has previously undertaken several capital reconstruction projects within this park area.

In 2019, following the opening of the popular new Chelsea Waterside Playground, the Trust approved a contract with a landscape architect to prepare designs for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 project, including an improved and expanded dog run, a permanent picnic area, the replacement and expansion of the existing athletic turf field, construction of a new comfort station, and improved pathways for pedestrian circulation. The design has been well received by

Manhattan Community Board 4 and other stakeholders. The Trust recently released three RFPs to secure needed construction contractors for this work.

An RFP for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 General Construction was issued for the period between June 1 and July 2, 2021, and the Trust received four submissions in response. The selection committee ranked the proposals pursuant to the selection criteria in the RFP and conducted interviews with the three top-ranked firms. After receiving best and final offers, Trust staff identified Alpine Construction & Landscaping Corp. as the highest ranked proposer and recommends that the Trust enter into a contract for the identified scope in the amount of \$7,344,826.

Second, the Trust issued an RFP for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Comfort Station Construction for the period between June 1 and July 1, 2021 and received four proposals on the submission deadline. The Trust's selection committee reviewed the submissions according to the selection criteria in the RFP and interviewed the top three ranked firms. Trust staff has identified E.W. Howell Co., LLC to be the highest ranked proposer and recommends entering into a contract for the identified scope in the amount of \$2,995,000.

Last, an RFP for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Athletic Turf Replacement was issued for the period between June 1 and June 25, 2021. The Trust received one proposal on the submission deadline, resulting in a failed RFP. In such circumstances, the Trust's Procurement Guidelines allow the Trust to proceed with a single source procurement. Given the specialty nature of the work, the limited number of companies certified by the manufacturer to install the specified product, the completeness of the submission by Athletic Fields of America, Inc. and its price proposal, and the Trust's positive previous experiences with this vendor for comparable work, staff recommends proceeding with such a single source procurement as fully discussed in the Directors' Board memo. Athletic Fields of America's cost proposal of \$422,209 compares favorably with that previously approved following a competitive RFP for comparable work to restore the turf field at Pier 40 in 2020 and is within the cost estimate prepared by the Trust for the turf field replacement at Chelsea Waterside Park.

Funding for these three contracts is available from the funds received from the sale of air rights to Block 675 and from discretionary capital budget funds allocated by City Council Speaker Corey Johnson and Borough President Gale Brewer.

President Doyle thus requested Board approval of the following three resolutions: (1) authorization to contract with Alpine Construction & Landscaping Corp. for Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 General Construction in the amount of \$7,344,826 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$8,079,309; (2) authorization to contract with E.W. Howell Co., LLC for Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Comfort Station Construction in the amount of \$2,995,000 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$3,294,500; and (3) authorization to contract with Athletic Fields of America, Inc. for Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Athletic Turf Replacement in the amount of \$422,209 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$464,430.

Chair Been asked if there were any questions or comments. Director Kern asked how long will it take to replace the turf field and Kevin Quinn explained that Trust staff and the three contractors would work on a logistics plan to minimize disruptions but the actual work to replace the turf field is about two months. Director Wright asked about the material and Mr. Quinn stated that the turf field is chrome rubber. Chair Been asked about the waiver of the SDVOB 6 percent goal and President Doyle explained that certain types of contract work do not have many certified SDVOB vendors. There being no further questions, upon a properly called motion, the following three resolutions passed unanimously.

**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Contract with Alpine Construction & Landscaping Corp. for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 General Construction for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$8,079,309**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to contract with Alpine Construction & Landscaping Corp. for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 General Construction in the amount of \$7,344,826 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$8,079,309; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President’s designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby, authorized to take such actions as the President or the President’s designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Contract with E.W. Howell Co., LLC for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Comfort Station for a Total Board Authorized Amount of \$3,294,500**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to contract with E.W. Howell Co., LLC for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Comfort Station Construction in the amount of \$2,995,000 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$3,294,500; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President’s designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby, authorized to take such actions as the President or the President’s designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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**HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Contract with Athletic Fields of America, Inc. for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Athletic Turf Replacement for a Total Board Authorized Amount of \$464,430**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby authorizes the Hudson River Park Trust to contract with Athletic Fields of America, Inc. for the Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2 Athletic Turf Replacement in the amount of \$422,209 plus a 10% contingency for a Total Board Authorized Amount of \$464,430; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President’s designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby, authorized to take such actions as the President or the President’s designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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Chair Been then moved onto the next item on the agenda, Appointment and Ratification of Corporate Officers. President Doyle began by thanking Dan Kurtz, who is leaving the Trust, for all he has done for the Park. She explained that Mr. Kurtz has been a brilliant tactician and advocate for the Park, leading business negotiations on the sale of air rights and long and short term leases and permits to ensure the best financial and operational terms for the Park. President Doyle then recommended that the Board approve the appointment of Kimberly Quinones as the Trust’s Chief Financial Officer/ Treasurer and Executive Vice President for Finance and Real Estate effective on August 2, 2021. She explained that Ms. Quinones recently served as the Director of Global

Blockchain Business Council and was formerly the CFO at Roosevelt Island Operating Corp which is also a New York State public benefit corporation that must generate its own operating revenue. President Doyle concluded that Ms. Quinones started at the Trust a few weeks ago and has been working side by side with Mr. Kurtz to ensure a smooth transition.

Chair Been then called for a motion to approve the appointment of Kim Quinones as the Trust's CFO and Executive Vice President for Finance and Real Estate and confirmation of the Corporate Officers identified by Ms. Doyle. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – APPOINTMENT AND RATIFICATION OF CORPORATE OFFICERS**

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**RESOLVED**, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of July 29, 2021, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby approves the appointment of Kimberly Quinones as Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer and Executive Vice President for Finance and Real Estate effective as of August 2, 2021; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Board ratifies the following corporate officers of the Trust as provided for and in accordance with the By-Laws of the Hudson River Park Trust:

- Vicki Been, Chairperson
- Basil Seggos, Vice Chairperson
- Noreen Doyle, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Kimberly Quinones, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer and Executive Vice President
- Sikander Zuberi, Assistant Treasurer
- Christine Fazio, General Counsel and Secretary
- Nicole Cuttino, Deputy General Counsel and Assistant Secretary;

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President or the President's designee(s) be, and each of them is hereby authorized to take such actions as the President or the President's designee(s) may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement the forgoing resolution.

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After the approval of the Board Resolution, Mr. Kurtz spoke to thank everyone on the Board and the current and past Trust staff and provided some historical context of his time at the Trust.

Chair Been then asked Ms. Doyle to present the President's Report. President Doyle began by stating that she is happy to report that construction at the Gansevoort Peninsula is proceeding well and on schedule. Steven Dubner Landscaping has been working on the north and south edges to prepare the sites for the salt marsh and south beach. Existing rip rap and debris has been excavated and stone is being salvaged on site for re-use. The existing surcharge pile will soon be redistributed around the peninsula to create the new site elevations. The Trust recently released a number of additional RFPs for Gansevoort related to construction of the restroom and concession building at Gansevoort. Staff is currently evaluating responses to the General Construction Phase II and Electrical Construction Phase II RFPs, and expects to bring recommendations for approval at the September Board Meeting. The Trust remains on track for a late Spring 2023 overall project completion.

With today's approval of the three Chelsea Waterside Phase II contracts, the Trust expects that construction will commence in September. The Trust is excited about the new design and getting the new park features open to the public as soon as possible.

At Pier 97, fabrication of mock-ups for the Pier 97 Shade Structures has started and will be ready for Trust review in early September. Site work will also be under way before the next Board meeting. Last week, the Trust released four additional RFPs for contractors needed for the Pier 97 maintenance and restroom building: general construction as well as electrical, plumbing and building mechanicals. The Trust plans to bring these for Board approval at the September Board meeting. Thus, the September meeting will have long list of Board action items.

President Doyle continued that the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision for the Hudson Tunnel Project was released in late May and the project sponsors have begun to meet with various stakeholders including the Trust given the extent of construction within the Park. At this time, no one can say when work would begin as the Tunnel has many details including funding and procurement to first determine. In the meantime, the Trust is negotiating a reimbursement agreement in which the project sponsors would reimburse the cost of the engineering, environmental and legal consultants the Trust will need to ensure the Park's interests

are protected during the tunnel's construction and operation and to prepare the construction permit and long-term lease.

The Trust is also pleased to share that the Tribeca Habitat Enhancement project hit the water earlier this month with the deployment of 80 seeded reef balls between Pier 26 and Pier 32. In August, seeded gabions, more seeded reefballs and textured concrete piles will also be installed by the Trust's contractor, Reicon, and with support from the subcontractor Billion Oyster Project. Collectively, these enhancements will help to increase the Sanctuary's oyster population, diversify river habitat and create a corridor to support local fish populations. This project will be monitored over the next few years to inform future habitat enhancement design and decision making. The Park is grateful for its scientific partners at NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and the Sanctuary Management Plan Technical Advisory Committee for helping shape this important initiative.

President Doyle then addressed Public Programs and River Project updates. The Wetlab re-opened at Pier 40 for the first time in over 18 months in early July. Over the winter and into spring, the Facilities team introduced improved lighting, a trailer functioning as a lab where eDNA and other scientific sampling programs can occur, and other improvements funded primarily by grants secured from DEC and Council Speaker Corey Johnson. Of course the main selling points for the Wetlab are the flow through tanks supporting live animals. Current aquatic residents at the Wetlab include oyster toadfish, lined seahorses, diamondback terrapins and horseshoe crabs. The Trust has a license from DEC to collect and possess live animals in the Wetlab. Members of the public are invited to tour the space during Wetlab Look-ins on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 to 6:00 PM from now through the end of October, and on Sundays in July and August from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Staff is also hosting a number of students attending summer camps primarily from Title I communities at the Wetlab this summer, both virtually and in-person.

To help facilitate all the great research and environmental education programming under way, the River Project has welcomed a team of six interns to the team this summer. These college students and recent graduates are focused on learning more about either educational programming or Park research in support of their professional growth and goals. Additionally, the INCLUDES high school and college research internship program is also underway. Now in its fourth year, this program, which was funded by a National Science Foundation Planning grant, has a 2021 cohort of two CUNY City college mentors and ten high school students from the Intrepid's GOALS for

Girls program and the Young Women's Leadership School in Harlem. The INCLUDES program serves students from communities underrepresented in STEM by providing stepping stones for learning field and lab science skills and developing leadership and communication skills. The Trust is pleased to announce that this internship program is a finalist for the National Summer Learning Association's Excellence in Summer Learning Award which recognizes non-traditional learning innovation that is critical to serving the diverse needs of students.

President Doyle continued by stating that this summer the River Project team is collaborating with a number of visiting scientists from various universities and environmental institutions to advance research within the Park. Dr. Ashok Deshpande from NOAA Fisheries in Sandy Hook is partnering with our team to launch a microplastics study monitoring the adsorption of chemical pollutants to these tiny plastics. This project will advance regional knowledge of the potential harm microplastics pose as they are ingested by wildlife and work their way up the food chain. Dr. Allison Fitzgerald from New Jersey City University and her undergraduate student received a Polgar award from Hudson River Foundation to study the dynamics of encrusting fouling species on oysters and health implications. River Project staff are also supporting Dr. Matt Hare of Cornell University monitoring of juvenile oyster recruitment on shell bags at two Park locations as part of a harbor-wide study.

President Doyle then thanked many Directors for joining the public hearing for the draft Estuarine Sanctuary Management Plan that took place on June 29. The draft ESMP document and full public notice can be found on the home page of the Park's website and the comment period is still under way until Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.

President Doyle continued that the Trust is happy to be again hosting in-person events and activities. Until mid-July, the Trust was following the pop up approach for some of the larger live music and dance events, but the Trust has been able to return to offering many of these on a scheduled basis and in person. The Public Programs department has increased the number and variety of free fitness and music events offered this summer, with Jazz at Pier 84 taking place every other week, and Sunset on the Hudson popping up throughout the Park's four-mile footprint in July and August. In addition to its own programming, the Trust will be increasing its partnership programs with other cultural organizations as another way to diversify the offerings and expand outreach. The NYC Salt exhibit by student photographers on the Heliport fence in Chelsea as well as After the Storm, a newly commissioned work by composer Yaz Lancaster,

arrangements of music by fingerstyle guitarist Yasmin Williams, and Alex Weiser's and all the days were purple, which was a finalist for the 2020 Pulitzer Prize in Music, took place at Pier 64 in July.

Little Island also has a full schedule of events, including the just announced August festival, where all events are free. People who have attended performances at the amphitheater have raved about the magical setting and how perfect the acoustics are. Throughout the Park, the Trust continues to receive an abundance of permit requests for events of all sizes, including at the newly opened Pier 76, and are working to accommodate many of them, while also keeping public space open primarily for regular Park patron use.

President Doyle thanked New York City for inviting the Trust to be part of the City's Essential Workers Parade in July. Three delegates – Nicole Steele, Lakhram Bhuanlall and Ilir Aslani -- represented the many Hudson River Park employees who reported to the Park daily even during the early days of COVID to care for the Park's plants, buildings, fountains and to remove trash and clean the property.

President Doyle then completed her report by noting that the Board packet includes the PEP statistics, a list of all contracts between \$100,000 and \$200,000, and the financials for the first three months of this fiscal year. Total operating revenues were \$7,539,258 and operating expenses, not including capital maintenance and equipment, were \$5,033,325, which are on target with budget estimates.

Related to the PEP statistics, President Doyle then acknowledged the efforts that PEP including the officers here every day as well as Director Eddie Falcon and Captain Adusi of PEP, as well as several members of the Trust's staff including Owen Davies, Dennis McCartney, Chris Downey, Debra Kustka, Christina Singh and Edison Yung, have made to improving multiple aspects of the safety systems within the Park. The implementation of the PEP Stat System allows the Trust to track trends and deploy PEP Officers to areas of concern. In addition, the Operations Desk is now proactively watching video and reporting incidents as they happen in real time, resulting in correcting conditions and in some cases the arrest of individuals as they are committing a crime. Funding for cameras has come primarily from grants from our elected officials, including Council Member Margaret Chin, Council Speaker Corey Johnson, and Borough President Gale Brewer. Over the last year, the new technology has enabled PEP to share information with the local precincts including photos, from video footage, of wanted individuals for crimes in the Park.

This has resulted in the arrest of people responsible for some of the reported crimes in the Park. PEP has also conducted joint operations to address issues including the restriction of e-bikes and e-scooters and NYPD has been helping with much appreciated support in this realm as well, though e-bikes and e-scooters remain a major issue on the bikeway.

Chair Been thanked Ms. Doyle and asked Jeffery LeFrancois to present the Advisory Council Report.

Mr. LeFrancois began by saying that the last meeting of the Advisory Council was held on June 8th. The key issues on the agenda were a number of safety concerns that were addressed with Little Island. The Advisory Council also wanted to have a discussion with the businesses that are tenants of the Park and also are on the Advisory Council. He stated that they wanted to learn who is back in the Park and how business is going. Finally, Mr. LeFrancois addressed safety concerns in the Park. There are ongoing concerns related to Park safety and enforcement, specifically around the greenway. PEP only has limited enforcement capabilities and resources. The Advisory Council is continuing to raise this issue with the Trust, and the Advisory Council is seeing where else it can bring these issues up, whether it's through the community board channels or the Police Department.

Chair Been thanked Mr. LeFrancois for his report, and noted that there would be no report from Hudson River Park Friends at this meeting. Chair Been then asked the Directors if there was any further business. There being none, Chair Been called for a motion to adjourn the public portion of the meeting and to enter in Executive Session. Thus the public portion of the meeting was adjourned at 5:19 pm. The Directors commenced Executive Session to address pending real estate and litigation matters. No actions were taken during Executive Session, which adjourned at 6:20 pm.

