

**MEETING OF THE
HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Pier 57, Discovery Tank Classroom
25 11th Avenue
New York, NY**

June 20, 2023 at 4:30 pm

MINUTES

Directors Present:

Patrick Foster (served as the Chair)
Leslie Wright
Susan Donoghue
Pam Frederick
Michael Pastor
Purnima Kapur
Jeffrey Kaplan
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Appearances:

Hudson River Park Trust
Noreen Doyle, President and CEO
Kimberly Quinones, CFO and EVP, Finance & Real Estate
Robert Atterbury, EVP of Park Relationships and Programs
Robert Rodriguez, EVP of Park Management
Christine Fazio, General Counsel
Kevin Quinn, SVP of Design and Construction

Also present:

Dan Miller, HRP Advisory Council
Connie Fishman, Friends of Hudson River Park (via Zoom)
James Archer, on behalf of Director Meera Joshi

With a quorum being present, Chair Foster called to order the June 20, 2023 meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors.

The Chair began by explaining that the meeting was being recorded and would be posted on the Trust's website, and a stenographer would provide a transcript.

He stated that the Directors had received the Agenda materials in advance of the meeting and were free to ask questions or comment at any time on the action items submitted for approval but that questions or comments from the audience would not be entertained at the meeting. He further noted that the Board memos and resolutions on today's agenda had 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.

The Chair then stated that there are 10 items on the Consent Agenda: 1) Approval of Minutes and Ratification of the Actions Taken at the March 28, 2023 Meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors; 2) Ratification and Approval of Extension of Contract Term with CDR Studio Architects for Chelsea Waterside Park Concession Kiosk Design; 3) Ratification and Approval of Extension of Contract Term with Steven Dubner Landscaping, Inc. for Gansevoort Peninsula General and Marine Construction; 4) Ratification and Approval of Extension of Contract Term with Hunter Roberts Construction Group, LLC for Pier 40 Structural Restoration Construction Management Services; 5) Approval of Extension of Contract Term with Deborah Bradley Construction & Management Services, Inc. for On-Call General Contracting Services; 6) Ratification and Approval of Contract Amendment with County Fire Inc. for Monitoring, Inspection, Repair and Maintenance of Fire Alarm Systems; 7) Authorization to Contract with WeRadiate LLC for Compost Data and Consultation Service; 8) Authorization to Extend Term of Contract with Wilson Conservation, LLC for the Conservation of *Private Passage* Sculpture; 9) Ratification and Adoption of 2023 Investment Guidelines; and 10) Annual Confirmation of the Hudson River Park Mission Statement and Performance Measures.

The Chair then called for a motion to approve all of the items on the Consent Agenda. The following ten Resolutions were unanimously approved by the Directors.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST - Approval of Minutes and Ratification of the Actions Taken at the March 28, 2023 Meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors

RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Hudson River Park Trust Board of Directors held on March 28, 2023 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Ratification and Approval of Extension of Contract Term with CDR Studio Architects, PC for Chelsea Waterside Park Kiosk Design

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby ratifies and approves the extension of the contract term with CDR Studio Architect, PC for Chelsea Waterside Park Kiosk Design by up to an additional 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Ratification and Approval of Extension of Contract Term with Steven Dubner Landscaping, Inc. for Gansevoort Peninsula General and Marine Construction

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby ratifies and approves the extension of the contract term with Steven Dubner Landscaping, Inc. for Gansevoort Peninsula General and Marine Construction by up to an additional 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Ratification and Approval of Extension of Contract Term with Hunter Roberts Construction Group, LLC for Pier 40 Structural Restoration Construction Management Services

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby ratifies and approves the extension of the contract term with Hunter Roberts Construction Group, LLC for Pier 40 Structural Restoration Construction Management Services by up to one additional 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Extend the Term of Contract with Deborah Bradley Construction & Management Services, Inc. for On-Call General Contracting Services

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, 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 Deborah Bradley Construction & Management Services, Inc. for On-Call General Contracting Services through January 24, 2024; 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Ratification and Approval of Amendment to the Contract with County Fire, Inc. for Parkwide Monitoring, Inspection, Repair and Maintenance of Fire Alarm Systems

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby ratifies and approves the amendment to the contract with County Fire, Inc. for

Parkwide Monitoring, Inspection, Repair and Maintenance of Fire Alarm Systems by adding an additional \$20,000 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$158,600; 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Contract with WeRadiate, LLC for Compost Data and Consultation Service

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on June 20, 2023, 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 WeRadiate, LLC for Compost Data and Consultation Service for a three-year contract term for a Total Board Authorized Amount of up to \$30,000; 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST - Authorization to Extend the Term of Contract with Wilson Conservation, LLC for the Conservation of *Private Passage* Sculpture

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, 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 Wilson Conservation, LLC for the conservation of *Private Passage* Sculpture by two months, through August 23, 2023; 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Ratification and Adoption of 2023 Investment Guidelines for Hudson River Park Trust pursuant to New York State Public Authority Law Section 2925 and the New York State Comptroller's Investment Guidelines for Public Authorities

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on June 20, 2023, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Board hereby ratifies and adopts the Hudson River Park Trust 2023 Investment Guidelines; 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.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Confirmation of Hudson River Park Trust Mission Statement and 2023 Performance Measures

RESOLVED, based on the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on June 20, 2023, a copy of which is ordered filed with the records of the Hudson River Park Trust, the Directors hereby confirm the Hudson River Park Trust Mission Statement and 2023 Performance Measures; 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.

Chair Foster then proceeded with the corporation actions, introducing the first item: Authorization to Amend Contract with Gilbane Building Company for Pier 97 and Gansevoort Peninsula Construction Management Services.

President Doyle began by stating that at its November 20, 2019 meeting, the Board authorized the Trust to enter into a three-year contract with Gilbane Building Company for Pier 97 and Gansevoort Peninsula construction management services for a Total Board Authorization Amount of just over \$7.6 million. Based on Gilbane's initial fee proposal submission in 2019, construction at both Pier 97 and Gansevoort was expected to be complete by Fall 2022. However, the project schedules at both Pier 97 and Gansevoort have extended beyond the anticipated timeframes due to the Covid pandemic, supply chain issues, unanticipated field conditions and delays in receiving certain required authorizations at both locations. President Doyle was pleased to report that construction at both Pier 97 and Gansevoort is now moving along well and both locations are expected to be complete this year. However, additional funds are needed to cover the

ongoing costs of construction management at both sites. Accordingly, President Doyle requested Board authorization to amend the contract with Gilbane Building Company for Pier 97 and Gansevoort Peninsula Construction Management Services for an additional amount of \$1,150,297 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$8,766,112. Funding for this amendment is available from funds provided by New York State and New York City.

Chair Foster 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 Amend the Contract with Gilbane Building Company for Pier 97 and Gansevoort Peninsula Construction Management Services

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, 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 Gilbane Building Company for Pier 97 and Gansevoort Peninsula Construction Management Services for an additional amount of \$1,150,297 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$8,766,112; 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.

Chair Foster moved onto the second item before the Board: Authorization to Amend Contract with Structural Preservation Systems, LLC for Pier 40 Second Floor Vehicle Guardrails.

President Doyle began by stating that at its December 2022 meeting, the Board authorized the Trust to enter into a contract with Structural Preservation Systems to complete repairs to the 60-year-old concrete slabs on the perimeter of Pier 40's second floor and to install a new steel vehicular guardrail system in the parking garage. She noted that at the time of the Board approval, pricing was based on the independent consulting engineers' observations of physical conditions of concrete areas that were then visible. Based on engineering inspections now taking place, which include more detailed assessments, additional concrete repairs must be made. Further, repairs are also needed to address issues found by the outside engineering firm retained recently to conduct

the parking garage inspection required by both the State and City. The Trust recommends using SPS, which is currently on site, to complete the additional concrete repairs as discovered.

She explained that pursuant to the Trust's Procurement Guidelines, the Trust must document why a competitive process is not in the Trust's best interest if the cost of the amended work exceeds 20 percent of the original Total Board Authorization Amount. As described in detail in the memo provided to the Board, only one contractor, SPS, responded to the RFP previously issued by the Trust which resulted in hiring SPS. The Trust therefore does not expect releasing a new RFP would result in additional contractors responding, in large part due to the number of parking garage inspections that are currently under way in New York City.

She continued that the Trust further expects that delaying this necessary work in order to undertake a new competitive procurement would likely result in higher costs due to inflation and to the additional logistical issues that would have to be managed with two contractors working in the same area concurrently while the garage is still in operation. Thus, the Trust believes that it is in the Trust's best interest to amend the SPS contract to provide for the additional concrete work needed in the Pier 40 parking garage.

Therefore, President Doyle requested Board authorization to amend the contract with Structural Preservation Systems, LLC for Pier 40 Second Floor Vehicle Guardrails by an additional \$1,000,000 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$2,949,860. Funding for this contract amendment is available from the allocations received from the sale of Pier 40 transferable development rights and is within the approved capital maintenance budget as adopted for the current fiscal year.

Chair Foster asked if there were any questions or comments. Director Kapur asked if there were still funds available from the air rights sale and President Doyle explained there are still a number of projects which costs would exceed what money remains from that sale, including repairs to the Pier 40 roof, loading dock and sprinkler system. There being no further questions, upon a properly called motion, the following resolution passed unanimously.

HUDSON RIVER PARK TRUST – Authorization to Amend Contract with Structural Preservation Systems, LLC, for the Pier 40 Second Floor Vehicle Guardrails

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on June 20, 2023, 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 Structural Preservation Systems, LLC for Pier 40 Second Floor Vehicle Guardrails by an additional \$1,000,000 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$2,949,860; 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.

Chair Foster moved onto the third item before the Board: Authorization to Amend Contract with Alpine Construction & Landscaping Corp. for Construction of Pier 26 Science Play Area.

President Doyle began by stating that at its September 2022 meeting, the Board authorized the Trust to enter into a contract with Alpine Construction & Landscaping Corp. for the construction of the Pier 26 Science Play Area, which centerpiece includes two large sculptural sturgeon play elements that are being fabricated in Denmark by Monstrum Playgrounds and that are expected to ship to the site next month. An additional \$175,000 is needed to pay for Alpine's installation of larger concrete footings than initially anticipated and to address unanticipated subservice obstructions encountered during construction.

President Doyle thereafter requested Board authorization to amend the contract with Alpine Construction Landscaping Corp. for Construction of Pier 26 Science Play Area by adding \$175,000 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$2,703,418. Funding for this amendment is available from Trust funds and discretionary allocations from the City Council and Manhattan Borough President.

Chair Foster 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 Amend Contract with Alpine Construction Landscaping Corp. for Construction of Pier 26 Science Play Area

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on June 20, 2023, 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 Alpine Construction Landscaping Corp. for Construction of Pier 26 Science Play Area by adding \$175,000 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$2,703,418; 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.

Chair Foster moved onto the fourth item before the Board: Authorization to Amend Contract with Reicon Group, LLC for Tribeca Habitat Enhancements.

President Doyle stated that at its October 2020 meeting, the Board authorized the Trust to enter into a three-year contract with Reicon Group, for up to \$1,500,000 to install certain habitat enhancements including textured piles as well as gabions, reef balls seeded with live oysters in the Estuarine Sanctuary within the Tribeca area. At its September 2021 meeting, the Board authorized an additional \$150,000 for Reicon to install additional live oysters provided by Reicon's subcontractor, the Billion Oyster Project. This phase of the project was completed in 2021.

She explained that when planning for the design, associated environmental permits, procurement and installation of this project, the Trust anticipated that additional reef balls and gabions might later be installed to the extent additional funding became available. Because such additional funding is now available through a settlement between a third party and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, the Trust seeks to amend the contract to add an additional \$200,000 so that Reicon can install additional seeded reef balls and gabions. The Trust will separately contract with the Billion Oyster Project to provide the seeded reef balls and gabions.

President Doyle further explained in detail that pursuant to the Trust's Procurement Guidelines, the Trust must document why a competitive procurement process is not in the Trust's best interest if the cost of the amended work exceeds 20 percent of the original Total Board Authorization Amount. As detailed in the memo to the Board, the Trust issued a Request for Proposals for the Tribeca Sanctuary Enhancements project and received five proposals in

September 2020. The Trust determined that Reicon's pricing for each of the separately priced components for the project was fair and reasonable and significantly lower than that provided by the other respondents, and further, that Reicon had the capacity to perform all aspects of the scope of work. Because the installation dates for the features with live oysters are based on the maturation dates of these live animals, this project has uniquely challenging scheduling requirements. Reicon is already familiar with such demanding, short notice scheduling issues. The Trust thus expects that costs would be higher under a new procurement because the limited pool of qualified contractors capable of performing the installation would have to account for uncertainties in their pricing proposals, whereas Reicon is already intimately familiar with the operations. Finally, time is of the essence to complete the installation once the live oysters are provided by the Billion Oyster Project to protect the oysters' health. She emphasized that delaying the project until next year while the Trust conducts a new procurement would delay the additional educational and environmental benefits achieved by the planned expansion of the Tribeca Enhancement Project.

President Doyle thereafter requested Board authorization to amend the contract with Reicon Group, LLC for Tribeca Habitat Enhancements by an additional \$200,000 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$1,850,000. Funding for this project is available to the Trust through dedicated funding from a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation settlement directed to the Trust.

Chair Foster 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 Amend Contract with Reicon Group, LLC for Tribeca Habitat Enhancements

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting of June 20, 2023, 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 Reicon Group, LLC for Tribeca Habitat Enhancements by an additional \$200,000 for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$1,850,000; 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.

Chair Foster moved onto the fifth and final item before the Board: Authorization to Enter into Contract with Carrier Communications Corp. for Parkwide Security Camera Expansion Project and Maintenance Services.

President Doyle began by stating that the Trust utilizes a security camera system to enhance public safety, deter crime, and help protect property. Over the past several years, the Trust has installed security cameras within and around Pier 40, as well as in the Tribeca, Greenwich Village, Chelsea, Chelsea Waterside Park, Piers 76 and 84, and Clinton Cove sections of the Park. The cameras are actively monitored by PEP officers and NYPD has access to the video feeds in real time. Beyond their usefulness as a security tool, the cameras have become integral to the Trust's operation of the Park, allowing Operations, Facilities, Marine and Horticulture staff to monitor and observe conditions on a regular basis. She continued that the adopted budget for the current Fiscal Year included allocations for antenna relocations in certain areas as well as new security cameras at the Pier 26 Science Playground, Gansevoort Peninsula and Pier 97 – all of which will open in 2023, as well as at Pier 79 and the Chelsea Waterside Park dog run. Collectively, the budgeted cost for these features inclusive of contingency is approximately \$700,000.

She relayed that moving forward, the Trust anticipates a continuing need for camera hardware and installation in each of Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026 as the Trust continues to fill in gaps in the Park's security system network and maintain the existing system. Accordingly, the Trust further recommends entering into a new contract with the existing vendor, Carrier Communications Corp., which has both installed and maintained the existing camera system, for a contract amount of up to \$1,700,00 for a three year contract term that is anticipated to cover the purchase of new and replacement equipment for three years as well as maintenance by Carrier of all equipment throughout the Park. She expounded that in accordance with the Trust's Procurement Guidelines, the Trust may utilize centralized contracts created through either the State or Federal government without the need for competitive procurement. The proposed cameras and installation services are available through the Office of General Services and Carrier has committed to honoring the OGS published pricing for the full three-year contract period. The Trust has been pleased with Carrier's historic ability to respond immediately and effectively to any service needs that arise.

President Doyle therefore requested Board authorization to contract with Carrier Communications Corp. for the Parkwide Security Camera Expansion and Maintenance Services for a three-year term for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$1,700,000. Funding for this contract is available from the Trust's operating budget as approved by the Board of Directors each year.

Chair Foster 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 Carrier Communications Corp. (d/b/a Multi-Media Communications) for the Parkwide Security Camera Expansion and Maintenance Services

RESOLVED, based upon the materials presented to the Board of Directors at its meeting on June 20, 2023, 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 and Maintenance Services for a three-year term for a Total Board Authorization Amount of up to \$1,700,000; 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.

Chair Foster then asked President Doyle to present the President's Report.

President Doyle first announced that Commissioner Seggos is now the Chair of the Board and Deputy Mayor Joshi's term as Chair had expired but she remains the Vice Chair.

President Doyle was delighted to announce that the ribbon-cutting ceremony took place this past sunny Wednesday celebrating the completion of Chelsea Waterside Park Phase 2. The event was graced by the presence of State Senator Brad Hoylman, Assembly Member Tony Simone, City Council Member Erik Bottcher, Deputy Manhattan Borough President Aya Keefe, former Assembly Member Dick Gottfried, and former State Senator Tom Duane, as well as many members of Community Board 4, Daniel Miller of the Advisory Council, and dozens of members of the Chelsea Waterside Park Association, and collectively celebrated the community members who had the vision to advocate for this park's creation decades ago. President Doyle took the

opportunity to remember three community leaders who have passed away in the brief year and a half period during which this section of the park was reconstructed – Bob Trentlyon, Zazel Loven, and of course, longtime State Senator and former Trust Board member, Franz Leichter. Although saddened by their absence, President Doyle expressed confidence that they would have been proud of the Park’s remarkable transformation. This heavily used space is now much greener, with plants and flowers replacing areas that used to be paved. The striking new restroom façade uses granite and wood salvaged from pathways and walls previously located on the site. Solar panels and skylights were also incorporated into the restroom design, and low energy LED lighting was installed at the refreshed sports field too.

President Doyle emphasized that beyond these design features, the Park also includes many amenities that make it more inviting for the Park’s guests to stop and stay for a while. The dog run was doubled in size and there are now separate areas for small and large dogs, along with water features and shade for both. A lovely permanent picnic area and a new sunning lawn were added, furthering the Park’s appeal. President Doyle noted that the Park now feels much more expansive, despite its unchanged overall size. She credited the successful management of the project to Alex Eng, the overall Project Manager from the Design and Construction staff, under the direction of Kevin Quinn.

Following the last Board meeting, the ground floor of Pier 57 also opened. The Trust was thrilled that Mayor Adams attended the celebration and indulged in the delicious food market offerings while engaging with the interactive environmental tech educational games at the Trust’s Discovery Tank. President Doyle praised the collaboration between the Trust and its partners RXR, Google and Jamestown and their accomplishments.

She continued to report that subsurface utilities and play equipment footing installation is proceeding in Tribeca at the new Science Playground. Monstrum has almost completed fabrication of the sturgeons and related play equipment in Denmark, and the play equipment is expected to arrive to the site in mid-summer following completion of footings, curbing, and other site furnishing installations. The completion of the Science Play Area is still on track for late Fall.

President Doyle highlighted that the Trust’s contractor returned to complete the resurfacing work at the tennis courts located just to the south of Pier 40 this past May, which work included painting the new surface and restriping. The tennis courts are fully open with Park patrons playing from early in the morning until late in the evenings. Additionally, President Doyle shared the good

news that the new traffic light at the 550 Washington Crosswalk is expected to be operational soon, allowing the Park patrons to access the Park directly from the tennis courts, avoiding the busy intersection at Houston Street.

President Doyle then relayed that construction at Gansevoort Peninsula is progressing well. The salt marsh is complete, as well as all overlook structures. The south edge kayak landing is also now complete. The Trust is pleased that the decision to use a concrete surface is working well and seems to be both resilient to the wake and wave action and more slip resistant. The sports field subbase and drainage are nearing completion with the turf itself expected to be installed starting the end of this month. Dog run and adult fitness areas are currently under construction. The realigned bikeway was also recently completed and is open to the public, making this area infinitely more pleasant and safer to traverse. Construction of the new restroom/maintenance building is also proceeding well, with concrete canopies currently in construction as well as building interiors.

President Doyle updated that the construction at Pier 97 is also continuing to progress nicely. Installation of the granite “all ages” slide at the Overlook is complete while work in the playscape area continues. Recent efforts include the installation of the perimeter curb of the sand pit, the elevated play structure retaining wall, assembly of the large jungle gym, and footings for small play elements. Installation of the concrete unit pavers is continuing, and the contractors are working from the west end of the Pier to the east. Shrubs for the site were delivered recently and installation is ongoing. She also mentioned that work on the new restroom/maintenance building is also progressing with installation of form work for vertical walls commencing.

President Doyle informed the Board that the Trust has continued to work on the Request for Proposals for a new design team to design the 29th to 44th Street portion of the Park. She expressed hope that the RFP would be released in the next week or two. In addition, the New York State Department of Transportation also recently completed its repaving and striping of the adjacent Route 9A bikeway. She expressed satisfaction with the swift completion of the work and highlighted the improved appearance of the bikeway due to the new asphalt and enhanced striping. She extended her gratitude to Christina Singh and Kevin De la Cruz from the Trust for their dedicated efforts in ensuring a smooth process, addressing safety concerns, and monitoring the project, even working on-site during late hours to oversee the progress.

President Doyle announced that she reached out to all elected officials and the community boards so that the Trust can resume the Pier 76 Task Force this summer. She mentioned that the Trust is currently working on contracts with HR&A and James Corner Field Operations to serve as the Trust's consultants as the Trust again commences the discussion on planning for permanent commercial and park use at that pier. She anticipated scheduling a kick-off meeting next month and assured the Board of timely updates.

Regarding Design and Construction, President Doyle asked if there were any questions before proceeding to other updates.

President Doyle continued to report that the Horticulture team has been working on restoring the Habitat Garden which runs between West 26 to 29th Streets. After removing soils that had been contaminated with invasive species, the meadow area was seeded with a mix of native plants in the northeast that will support native wildlife while the path is used for tours conducted by River Project educators. She highlighted the significant volunteer contributions, with 28 volunteer groups recruited and organized by Hudson River Park Friends from this past March through May, resulting in 864 volunteers and 2450 hours of work before June. In time for Memorial Day, the Trust's Facilities staff turned on all the water at the display fountains and water features in the playgrounds and dog runs and at most of the water fountains in the Park. For water fountains not working, parts have been ordered so that repairs can be made to get those operating as well. And as of June 9, the Trust welcomed seven new park rangers who graduated from the City Parks academy and have been assigned to work as PEP officers in the Park. Chris McGann and the Park's PEP Captain have been working diligently to familiarize them with their responsibilities, even making efforts to meet officers during all shifts.

President Doyle reported that the Trust held its Annual Water Safety Meeting during National Safe Boating Week on May 23 with the goal of bringing together the Park's non-profit and commercial, non- motorized and motorized water related tenants and permittees. In attendance were ferry operators NY Waterway and NYC Ferry, NYCDOT's-Ferry division and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. The Trust's staff provided Park updates affecting water related activities including construction, environment & education- park research, water quality, and other 2023 programs. The meeting focused on discussing water safety and security concerns, such as hazards to navigation, spill reporting protocols, and updates on EZ dock safety rails and ladders and other water safety equipment including life ring cabinets.

President Doyle emphasized the importance of safety education in ensuring the well-being of boaters on the water. The Trust sponsors and provides free or highly subsidized boating programs and educational opportunities to the public including water safety classes through the Trust's boathouse operators, historic vessels, and museum spaces. Additionally, the Trust invites the USCG Auxiliary and the Nautical school to hold boater safety and educational sessions every season at the Pier 84 classroom. During the Water Safety Meeting, both ferry operators, NY Waterway and NYC Ferry, provided updates on their current operations, and reiterated their commitment to have their ferry captains maintain a 100-yard distance from the Park's pier headline. Notably, NYC Ferry held their Captains in Kayaks event on May 18 at the Pier 84 boathouse in collaboration with Manhattan Kayak where ferry captains and deckhands went on the water in kayaks.

President Doyle expressed hope that such meetings like these will continue to help the varied organizations who share Park waters build deeper understandings of the safety and operational issues and initiatives each operator has, while also building increased communication between all parties.

She then stated that the Trust's staff is actively planning for Pride Month, including Sunday June 25 at Pier 45. Anticipating a significant turnout of approximately 12,000 people throughout the day in the vicinity of Piers 45 and 46, the Trust is making arrangements to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for attendees. Additional portable toilets and water stations will be provided for the guests, and close coordination with the NYPD is underway to prioritize everyone's safety. President Doyle expressed her appreciation for the dedicated efforts of the Trust's operations units, who will be working on Pride Sunday, as well as the nights immediately before and after the event, to support patron safety and maintain the cleanliness of the spaces.

President Doyle extended her gratitude to Kira Levy and Maggie Curtis for all their work related to the annual Hudson River Dance Festival. The festival, organized in collaboration with The Joyce Theatre and supported by Hudson River Park Friends, encountered a setback with the cancellation of the Thursday show due to excessive smoke levels in the air. However, they were able to successfully host most of Friday's show before the rain intervened. President Doyle acknowledged Commissioner Kulleseid's presence at this year's event and praised the beauty of the event. She also celebrated the success of Fleet Week and expressed delight in having Governor

Hochul visit the Park at the Intrepid for the annual Salute to Freedom dinner, attended by the Secretary of the Navy and many service members.

President Doyle then asked Robert Atterbury, the Trust's Executive Vice President of Park Relationships and Programs, to provide an update on all the amazing public programs and River Project initiatives that are happening this summer. Before turning the time over to Mr. Atterbury, she noted that the Trust's external auditor is currently working with the Trust's Finance Department to finalize the annual audit. A joint Finance/Audit Committee meeting is scheduled for this Friday, June 23, 2023, to discuss the final audit. Once completed, the audit will then be posted on the Trust's website and filed with the Authorities Budget Office prior to June 30.

Mr. Atterbury reported that Hudson River Park is celebrating its 25th Anniversary with over 400 events, expanding science and education initiatives. More than half of the events are produced by the park to enhance visitor experiences and attract diverse audiences. Activities include exercise, music, food, science, education, and boating. Notable events like the Dance Festival and Blues BBQ draw large crowds, while SUBMERGE Marine Science Festival targets school field trips. The Park offers free weekly programming, including expanded exercise classes and popular Bollywood and Bhangra sessions. Recurring performance series like Jazz at Pier 84 and Sunset Salsa showcase diverse talent. The Park seeks sponsors and has received positive feedback on the recently retained audio production services.

Mr. Atterbury further reported that the Park offers free bike safety classes with Bike NYC, special events like Pumpkin Smash and Westside Fest, expanded programming by the River Project, sensory science classes, and nature-inspired art workshops. Field trips, fishing, park tours, and science leadership programs engage youth in STEM. Collaborating with CUNY, the Park funds research on ecosystem services and microbial diversity. The Park leads various research projects and hosts diverse programming through leases and agreements with tenants and permittees.

Chair Foster then introduced Daniel Miller to provide the Advisory Council report. Daniel Miller, Advisory Council Chair, reported that Battery Park City Authority presented at the last Advisory Council meeting regarding the proposed North-West resiliency project. He stated that

the members believe more creative thinking should occur prior to a decision to build a wall that only protects Battery Park City, which thinking should also address Route 9A. He also stated the Advisory Council sent comments to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation on the proposed SPDES permit for Con Edison's Pier 98. And he stated that the Advisory Council also addressed public private partnerships particularly related to City Vineyard and Pier 40 that at times include loud music impacting park users.

Chair Foster introduced Connie Fishman at the beginning of the meeting to present the Hudson River Park Friends' Report. Ms. Fishman provided an update on funding events and also announced that corporate volunteer events are back to pre-Covid levels.

Chair Foster thanked all the presenters and then asked the Directors if there was any further business for today's meeting. There being none, Chair Foster then called for a motion to for the Directors to move into Executive Session to discuss pending real estate transaction matters. Upon a motion to adjourn the public portion of the meeting and to move into Executive Session, the motion was unanimously approved, and the Board of Directors' public portion of the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m. No actions occurred in Executive Session, which adjourned at 6:10 pm.