

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**FRANCHISE AND CONCESSION REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2009 @ 2:30 P.M.**

**22 READE STREET, MANHATTAN**

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*Franchise and Concession Review Committee Public Meeting –  
Wednesday, June 10, 2009 @ 2:30PM*

**NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**No. 1:** IN THE MATTER of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to extend the operating authority of Private Transportation Corporation to provide bus service in the Borough of Brooklyn between Williamsburg and Borough Park. The term of the extension is from July 1, 2009 until June 30, 2010.

**A proposed resolution was submitted relative thereto.  
RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION.**

**NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**No. 2:** IN THE MATTER of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to extend the operating authority of Private One of New York, LLC for the maintenance and operation of omnibuses between the Borough of Manhattan and La Guardia and John F. Kennedy Airports in the Borough of Queens and between those airports. The term of the extension is from July 1, 2009 until June 30, 2010.

**A proposed resolution was submitted relative thereto.  
RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION.**

## **NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION**

**No. 3:** IN THE MATTER of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee (“FCRC”) approval for the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (hereinafter referred to as “Parks”), the Randall’s Island Sports Foundation (“RISF”) and Randall’s Island Fields Group, LLC (“Schools Group”) to enter into a Sole Source Concession Agreement (“Concession Agreement”) as follows: Randall’s Island is the site of a number of sports fields (which, with all related facilities, including, without limitation, parking, curb work and restrooms, are collectively known as “Sports Fields”). The subject of the concession is Sports Fields in locations that were previously used for permitted sports fields (“Concession Location”). The Concession Agreement grants a concession to RISF for the right to use Sports Fields within the Concession Location for the purposes set forth below.

The Concession Agreement authorizes RISF to grant a subconcession to the Schools Group to use Sports Fields within the Concession Location. The Schools Group will make an annual fee payment in the amount of \$2,200,000, plus a COLA, if applicable, to RISF. In turn, RISF will make an annual fee payment of \$1,800,000 to the City and use the balance of the funds for maintenance of the park at Randall’s/Ward’s Island. In exchange, the Schools Group will receive permitted use of 50% of the School Playing Slots (as defined in the Concession Agreement), all to be located within the Concession Location, during each School Year.

The term of the Concession Agreement shall commence approximately September 2009 (“Commencement Date”) and shall end on the twentieth anniversary of the Commencement Date. Parks will review the concession every five (5) years.

**A proposed resolution was submitted relative thereto.  
RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION.**

## **NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION**

**No. 4:** IN THE MATTER of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to utilize a different procedure, pursuant to Section 1-16 of the Concession Rules of the City of New York, to negotiate a Sole Source License Agreement (License Agreement) with the Central Park Conservancy (CPC) for the management and scheduling of wedding ceremonies, photographic set-ups and other Parks authorized uses at the North, South and Central Gardens within the 6-acre footprint of Conservatory Gardens in Central Park, Manhattan. The License Agreement will provide for an approximate four (4) year term.

**A proposed resolution was submitted relative thereto.  
RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION.**

## **NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION**

**No. 5:** IN THE MATTER of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to utilize a different procedure, pursuant to Section 1-16 of the Concession Rules of the City of New York, to negotiate a Sole Source License Agreement (License Agreement) with the Central Park Conservancy (CPC) for the sale of Central Park-related gifts and souvenirs at the following Central Park facilities: Dairy Visitors Center, Belvedere Castle, Dana Discovery Center, Chess and Checkers House, and the North Meadow Recreation Center. The License Agreement will provide for an approximate four (4) year term.

**A proposed resolution was submitted relative thereto.  
RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION.**

## **NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION**

**No. 6:** IN THE MATTER of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to utilize a different procedure, pursuant to Section 1-16 of the Concession Rules of the City of New York, to negotiate a modification of its current License Agreement with York Avenue Tennis, LLC (York Tennis), to operate and manage the indoor tennis facility and clubhouse at Queensboro Oval, Manhattan. Parks intends that that the modification would change the term of the Indoor Tennis Season to be year-round, change the compensation to the City, and change other related provisions such as the capital improvements. In addition, Parks may negotiate other changes unrelated to the expanded License Agreement.

**A proposed resolution was submitted relative thereto.  
RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION.**

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PUBLIC MEETING  
FRANCHISE and CONCESSION REVIEW COMMITTEE,  
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June 10, 2009  
3:11 p.m.

A Public Hearing held in the above matter,  
on the above date and time at 22 Reade Street before  
a Notary Public of the State of New York.

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A P P E A R A N C E S:

CAS HOLLOWAY - Office of the Mayor

BRIAN GELLER - Office of the Mayor

VALERIE BUDLIK - Office of Comptroller

HOWARD FRIEDMAN - Corporation Counsel

YVONNE AULNTAIN - Office of Management and Budget

BOB CASTELLANETE - President of Borough of Bronx

JASON OTONO - President of Borough of Brooklyn

SCOTT STRINGER - President of Borough of Manhattan

MARK MCMILLAN - President of Borough of Queens

LEE COVINO - President of Borough of Staten Island

ADAM BUCHANAN - Clerk

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MR. HOLLOWAY: Just before we go on the record. As we are waiting for the Borough President here, Scott Stringer, we will go through the roll call. Good afternoon and thank you all for being here. The Franchise and Concession Review Committee will now come to order. Will the clerk please call the roll.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the Mayor.

MR. GELLER: Here.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the Comptroller.

MS. BUDLIK: Here.

MR. BUCHANAN: Corporation Counsel.

MR. FRIEDMAN: Here.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of Management and Budget.

MS. AULNTAIN: Here.

MR. BUCHANAN: President of the Borough of Bronx.

MR. CASTELLANELE: Here.

MR. BUCHANAN: President of the Borough of Brooklyn.

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MR. OTONO: Here.

MR. YAN: Representative for Borough of Manhattan President.

MR. BUCHANAN: President of Borough of Queens.

MR. MCMILLAN: Here.

MR. BUCHANAN: President of Borough of Staten Island?

MR. COVINO: Here.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Thank you very much. Will the clerk please call the first New York City calendar in the matter to seek approval.

MR. BUCHANAN: New York City Department of Transportation. In the Matter of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to extend the operating authority of Private Transportation Corporation to provide bus service in the Borough of Brooklyn between Williamsburg and Borough Park. The term of the extension is from July 1, 2009 until June 30, 2010.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Do we have a proposed resolution on this item; is there a member

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who wishes to ask a question or make a statement. If not, do I have a motion; is there a second; will the clerk please take the vote.

MR. BUCHANAN: Yes, Mayor.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the Mayor.

MR. GELLER: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Comptroller.

MS. BUDLIK: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Corporation Counsel.

MR. FRIEDMAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of Management and Budget.

MS. AULNTAIN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: On behalf of the Borough Presidents; President, Borough of Brooklyn.

MR. OTONO: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Calendar item number 1 resolution is adopted.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Will the clerk please call calendar item number 2.

MR. BUCHANAN: New York City

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MR. HOLLOWAY: Is there a member who wishes to ask a question or make a statement on this item? If not, can I have a motion; is there a second; will the clerk please take the vote.

MR. BUCHANAN: Yes, Mayor.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the Mayor.

MR. GELLER: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Comptroller.

MS. BUDLIK: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Corporation Counsel.

MR. FRIEDMAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of Management

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and Budget.

MS. AULNTAIN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: On behalf of the Borough Presidents; President, Borough of Queens.

MR. CASTELLANELE: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: On behalf of the office of Borough President of Brooklyn.

MR. MCMILLAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Calendar item number 2 resolution is adopted.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Will the calendar clerk please read calendar item number 4, please? We are going to do item number 4 now, and item number 3 we will come back to.

MR. BUCHANAN: New York City Department of Parks and Recreation. In the Matter of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to utilize a different procedure, pursuant to Section 1-16 of the Concession Rules of the City of New York, to negotiate a Sole Source License Agreement (License Agreement) with the Central Park Conservancy (CPC) for the

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management and scheduling of wedding ceremonies, photographic set-ups and other Parks authorized uses at the North, South and Central Gardens within the 6-acre footprint of the Conservatory Gardens in Central Park, Manhattan. The License Agreement will provide for an approximate four (4) year term.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Is there a member who wishes to ask a question or make a statement on the calendar item number 4? If not, can I have a motion?

MR. OTONO: Here.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Is there a second?

MR. COVINO: Yes.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Clerk, Can you please take the vote?

MR. BUCHANAN: Yes, Mayor.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the Mayor.

MR. GELLER: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Comptroller.

MS. BUDLIK: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Corporation Counsel.

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MR. FRIEDMAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of Management  
and Budget.

MS. AULNTAIN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: On behalf of the  
Borough Presidents; President, Borough of  
Manhattan.

MR. YAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Calendar item number 4  
resolution is adopted.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Will the clerk please  
call item number 5 of the calendar.

MR. BUCHANAN: New York City  
Department of Parks and Recreation, in the  
matter of the extent to seek Franchise and  
Concession Review Committee approval to  
utilize a different procedure, pursuant to  
Section 1-16 of the Concession rules of the  
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sale of Central Park related gifts and  
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Recreation Center. The License Agreement  
will provide for an approximate four (4) year  
term.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Is there a member who  
wishes to ask a question or make a statement on  
this calendar item. If not, is there a  
motion?

MR. MCMILLAN: Motion.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Is there a second?

MR. GELLER: Yes.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Will the clerk please  
take the vote?

MR. BUCHANAN: Yes, Mayor.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the Mayor.

MR. GELLER: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Comptroller.

MS. BUDLIK: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Corporation Counsel.

MR. FRIEDMAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of Management  
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MS. AULNTAIN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: On behalf of the Borough Presidents; President, Borough of Manhattan.

MR. YAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Calendar item number 5 resolution is adopted.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Will the clerk please call the 6th item of the calendar.

MR. BUCHANAN: New York City Department of Parks and Recreation item 6. In the matter of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee approval to utilize a different procedure, pursuant to Section 1-16 of the Concession rules of the City of New York, to negotiate a modification of its current License Agreement with York Avenue Tennis, LLC (York Tennis), to operate and manage the indoor tennis facility and clubhouse at Queensboro Oval, Manhattan. Parks intends that the modification would change the term of the Indoor Tennis Season to be year-round, change the compensation to the City, and change

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other related provisions such as the capital improvements. In addition, Parks may negotiate other changes unrelated to the expanded License Agreement.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Is there a witness who wishes to ask a question or make a statement on this. If not, is there a motion; is there a second? Clerk will you please take the vote.

MR. BUCHANAN: Mayor.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the Mayor.

MR. GELLER: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Comptroller.

MS. BUDLIK: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Corporation Counsel.

MR. FRIEDMAN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of Management and Budget.

MS. AULNTAIN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: On behalf of Borough Presidents; President, Borough of Manhattan.

MR. YAN: Yes.

MR. COVINO: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Calendar item number 6

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resolution is adopted.

MR. HOLLOWAY: We will move back to calendar item 3 and we will take a short break and be back in two minutes. The borough President has arrived.

(Whereupon, an off-the-record discussion was held.)

MR. HOLLOWAY: The meeting is hereby reopened or reconvened, and I would like to ask the clerk to call the 3rd calendar item.

MR. BUCHANAN: New York City Department of Parks and Recreation in the matter of the intent to seek Franchise and Concession Review Committee ("FCRC") approval for the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (hereinafter referred to as "Parks"), the Randall's Island Sports Foundation ("RISF") and Randall's Island Fields Group, LLC ("Schools Group") to enter into a Sole Source Concession Agreement ("Concession Agreement") as follows:  
Randall's Island is the site of a number of sports fields (which, with all related

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The Concession Agreement authorizes RISF to grant a sub-concession to the School Groups to use Sports Fields within the Concession Location. The School Groups will make an annual fee payment in the amount of \$2,200,000, plus a COLA, if applicable, to RISF. In turn, RISF will make an annual fee payment of \$1,800,000 to the City and use the balance of the funds for maintenance of the park at Randall's/Ward's Island. In exchange, the Schools Group will receive permitted use of 50% of the School Playing Slots (as defined in the Concession Agreement), all to be located within the

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Concession Location, during each School Year.

The term of the Concession Agreement shall commence approximately September 2009 (Commencement Date") and shall end on the twentieth anniversary of the Commencement Date. Parks will review the concession every five (5) years.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Okay, thank you. Before I turn it to over or open the floor to questions from the resting committees, there is a couple of things first that I want to go over. First, a public hearing on this proposal hearing was held a few days ago. We had a tremendous turn out. A lot of feedback was received and there has also been extensive work by the Manhattan Borough President and the Comptroller and their staff as well the Mayor's office to try to address as much of the feedback as possible, and I want to thank those offices for their efforts. What I want to do is go through a number of items. There were a number of items, three legal issues that were raised during the hearing. I will turn to Howard Friedman

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to address, and then I'll walk through some of the changes on the proposed agreement. The principal change that has been in response to the feedback that has been received, so start with the legal issues first. There were three issues raised at the public hearing. One had to do with the status of this proposal concession, as a major concession that will trigger the clerk. Second, whether or not the city in take with this action was complying with an order in litigation over the prior effort to put this concession in place, in an earlier event two years ago, and the third issue has to do with the environmental issue that was done by the Parks Department in connection with Randall's Island Gilt Project so - Howard Friedman from our Law Department -

MR. FRIEDMAND: A concession has to go under the charter if it is a major concession. The charter and city planning schools defined major concession as either one that requires EIS or one that is a concession under City planning rules. I am going to skip the

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environment, and Susan from the Law Department will talk about that. As to whether or not concession was a major concession under the City's plannings and rules, it says that a concession is not a major concession if it continues or constitutes as being used which permits the use of lawfully on the property at any point in the exceeding two years, and this ties also in the judge's decision in the last go round. The judge ruled that the last major concession was in fact a major concession, and would not take the benefit of the conception because some of the fields that were being concessioned that were on a spot that had been a parking lot. The judge also had in a foot note expressed doubt about the fire ability about new fields that are built where there is not a parking lot but passive recreational use, active recreational use, but not fields that have been permitted officially as fields. The city wants to comply with the judge's decision, so one of the differences in this concession, as compared to the last

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one, is that the only fields that are possible concessions to be the school group are fields that are in areas where there have previously been formal ball fields, whether soccer or golf or whatever. That both means that this is complying with the judge's previous decision, and more clearly fits within the City planning rules that the concession is doing - continuing a pre-concessive use. I am happy to answer to questions but that is not in the order of a major concession. Under the City planning rules, it is a major concession plus EIS required and in fact EIS was done in the next declaration issue, but I will let Susan Amron talk about that.

MS. SUSAN AMRON: The Parks Department did an environmental assessment, which is an analysis to determine whether there are significant impacts, to determine whether there are environmental impacts. They did the environmental assessment. Following the City technical manual, which is the guidance that the city has for how you actually test environmental for the City, and it sets forth

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about 19 different areas that have to be looked at to determine whether or not they are impacted, so the EAS set out analyses in each of those 19 different areas including such things based on space, public health and other areas, went through all the potential impacts from the sports field renovations and determined there is not likely going to be a significance impact and no environmental impact and all of that summarized in the declaration of the Parks Department issues that went through and summed up each of those areas. I am happy to answer questions about any areas of impact or any park, if anyone has any questions.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Any questions from members of the committee? Thank you. With that I will turn to the second part, which is with respect to the concession agreement. What are the different agreements existing, and now there are three significant changes that I would just like to read, and they have to do with certain aspect permits in the agreement and references to other agreements

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that are being entered into in connection with the concessions. First on page two of the draft agreement, two where as clauses have been added; two different sessions recognizing that currently this agreement with the City acting through the Deputy Mayor for Operations, has entered into a memorandum of understanding with the New York City Comptroller and the Manhattan Borough President - predicated on and with a term co-equal with this Agreement to achieve greater access to and usage of the Sports Fields by public schools, community based organizations, and others, which includes a Task Force to help achieve this goal and keep communities informed of any progress, a plan to provide resources for new sports teams at public schools who will use the Sports Fields, a transportation plan to help bring public school students to and from the Sports Fields and a community outreach plan to inform residents of the resources available to them on Randall's Island. A second whereas there is a clause noting the City

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also entered into a permit agreement, which provides that New York City public schools and all community based organizations to have priority over any and all other applicants (including the Schools Group and the Schools) with respect to the issuance of permits for 40 percent of Available Playing Spots, and that no group or institution, including the Schools Group and Schools, shall have priority for permits of 10 percent of Available School Playing Spots; to put this in layman terms the way the fields are now divided up is that the school groups under the agreement for certain playing slots after school will get roughly - from three to six will get 50 percent of the available playing slot and public schools and community based organization will get 40 percent of the available slot and there will be 10 percent will be open to all who apply for them, so that is that commitment that is made and that agreement is reached - permanent permit year agreement that is entered into by the Parks Department currently with the concession

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agreement. It is also recognized in a MOU that is currently being entered into with the Manhattan Borough President and Comptroller Tomkins and Deputy Mayor Skylar and Deputy Mayor of Operations on behalf of the City. The second change that I want to note on page 7 of the agreement, section 3.02 B1. One change has been made - seats for 50 percent slot unused that is one of the school slots one of the schools usage slots will be for one season rather than two. That was the feedback that we received on the agreement. Then finally with respect to the 40 percent that is open to public schools and community based organizations affiliated with public schools to the extent I will summarize and that is to the extent that any of the slots 40 percent are unused schools, private school and parochial schools that are not participating in this concession as well as community based organizations that are not affiliated with DOE or otherwise participating in this concession will have priority in terms of getting any of the

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unused portions of that 40 percent. The ten percent which rounds out the total fields available are open to all comers. There have been some other small changes that are basically cosmetic. We will make sure that all the members of the committee will get the agreement and the permanent agreement and the MOU. Those are just a couple of things to note a permanent agreement being entered. It reflects the change that I just described in terms of the priority on 40 percent and then finally this is an MOU being entered into by the Comptroller and the Manhattan Borough President and Deputy Mayor for operations Skylar. This MOU, which is the term of the MOU, is the same as the term of the concession agreement. It is a one year term and this MOU actually amends and adds a significant amount to an MOU that was entered into in 2007 in connection with the first concession agreement that creates Randall's Island community access task force and we will ensure all the members of the committee gets a clean final version of the MOU just to

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briefly summarize what the task force will do. It defines different terms that are in review that the Parks Department is conducting every five years of the status of the concession as far as the term of demands. It commits that the Department of Education in connection with the work that the task force is going to do will have ten public schools who are not current members. PASL, Public School Athletic League team will be funded to join PASL in playing sports on Randall's Island. At least one team, so that can be soccer or baseball or softball or whatever so to speak, but the Department of Education is funding that in addition to working with the Manhattan Borough President and other elected officials. We will get at least one and hopefully up to two shuttle buses to supplement the shuttle bus that was made part of the Department of Education pilot program. Randall's Island was very successful with those shuttle buses, once they came. They will be operated on an on-going basis by the Parks Department and they will provide

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transportation to the additional schools to  
Randall's Island, so they can actually get  
there, and the MOU also defines efforts that  
the task force and DOE and all of the  
participating members of the task force will  
do to maximize the number of people who are  
able to use those shuttle buses and look to  
increasing shuttle buses, shuttle buses and  
access use in general, to Randall's Island so  
this we think will be in addition to that.  
There is also a series of public meetings  
that will be held in connection with the task  
that the Parks Department, that they will  
conduct on an annual basis while leading up  
to and holding up to five year tasks, all with  
an eye towards who is using the island, and  
how, and how can we increase, so those are  
the efforts that have been made to address the  
feedback during the public hearing and prior  
to and again I will thank you on behalf of the  
Comptroller and Borough President of  
Manhattan. With that, is there a member who  
wishes to make a statement or ask a question on  
this item?

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MS. BUDLIK: On behalf of Comptroller Tompkins, he is prepared to support this agreement. Paul Launders felt that under the illustration seal of Randall's Island by public pools and community organization, first and foremost is easy access, so we will probably welcome funding that will come from the agencies and schools to offset construction and maintenance costs. However, more importantly and ultimately what persuaded the comptroller to support the agreement, was the MOU and the task force and the additional commitment from the administration's double efforts to address Randall's Island. In addition, to engaging in community outreach to ensure that the community organizations are aware of the resources available and to get the island and ultimately increase public school day and community organizations. We think the MOU start, from putting in place appropriate oversight, that is the operation of the concession, annual reports, particularly the demands for permit, and we thank you the

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administration for being responsible.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Thank you very much.

Is there another?

MR. STRINGER: I want to start off by reminding all of us that 480 is really precious for people - kids to come to this island to exercise to just enjoy. It is excitement in all. I think that I voted no the last time because I didn't believe that after school met the needs of both the public school kids and private school kids, and after a lot of work and lot of discussion and a lot of meetings and community consultations with advocates and parents I think that we are in a much better place. That we actually met challenges. I think that the court's action that was successful and gave us an in, and I want to thank you, the advocate. I think that they get a lot of credit. We are going to have 20 private schools, have the benefits of Randall's Island. We have to strive to make sure that at least 20 public schools or more have the same opportunity. The second part of the agreement will be

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transparent, being there will be an analysis as to how we are doing, in how we are doing in meeting goals with attendance from all of these negotiations, because of this MOU and this agreement - the fact that the Deputy Mayor Skylar has made such a pledge in 20 years, I want to thank you. I have made such. This could not have happened if there were not a lot of people hard at work. Cas Holloway and also Howard Friedman were really hard at work in the Law Department. Your name came up a lot, your expertise makes you one of the recognizable people in my office. One of the recommendable people in my office is my Chief of Staff, Dylindough. My councilman Jimmy Yan, and especially Sasha Perez. She doesn't serve as our counsel in our office. She is an attorney who gave it her all, and got a lot of benefits through her hard work. I really want to thank you, so I want to thank you and I am going to vote, yes, today because I think that we have the ability to do things now and the longer we delay, the kids who have the resources will still be on

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the island but the kids that don't have access to exercise, they will be disenfranchised. I think the whole agreement will be what I like or what others like. This is an agreement that actually comes to enhance the ability of the children, and to be part of Randall's Island on that basis had, and the MOU and the agreements made, apparently guaranteeing as well as the transportation aspect with the help of us. It is on that basis that I represent the Manhattan vote, yes.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Thank you. Are there any other members - let me just say before asking for a motion a special thanks to the Parks Department and Deputy Commissioner William Davenall who really did a tremendous job in terms of permits and doing assessments and ensuring that the commitments being made in connection with this concession live up to all of those commitments. Thank you Commissioner and a special thanks to Randall's Island sports foundation Amy Bord is here from the foundation and needless to

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say without the foundation persistence this was something that could bring no benefit to that. We certainly want to thank you. To the Randall's Island Sports Foundation with that, is there a motion?

MR. CASTELLANELLE: Motion.

MR. STRINGER: Yes.

MR. HOLLOWAY: Will the clerk please take the vote?

MR. BUCHANAN: Mayor.

MR. STRINGER: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of the mayor.

MR. GELLER: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Comptroller.

MS. BUDLIK: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Office of Management and Budget.

MS. AULTNTAIN: Yes.

MR. BUCHANAN: Calendar item number 3 resolution is adopted.

MR. HOLLOWAY: That concludes today's calendar.

(Whereupon, at 4:01 p.m., the above matter concluded.)

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I, MARICHAL L. HARRISON, a Notary Public  
for and within the State of New York, do  
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