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### PARKS COMMITTEE

April 13, 2023

VIA CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** R. Bieder, S. McMillan, J. Russo, N. Nuñez, T. Smith, P. Del-Debbio, M. Bufano

**Absent:** T. Franklin, D. Krynicki

**Guests:** A. Han, D. Schmitt, J. Edwards, M. Anderson, V. Davis, R. Sokolowski, P. Abramson

The Ferry Point Park Playground project is projected to cost \$3 million. The playground is slated to receive an upgrade for all ages and will include improved water play, sport features and enhancing ADA features. There will be fitness equipment. It is adjacent to Throggs Neck Houses. The presentation will be available at the Board Office. Priorities include trees, games, and fitness. There will be no extended sidewalk along Balcom Avenue. There will be programming in conjunction Kips Bay which is near the site. N. Nuñez recommended better shading. The gaming tables will include chess and checkers. P. Del-Debbie recommended that the park remain for those accompanying with children. Though, it will contain a restroom which is open to all. Parks suggested that the Committee contact the City Council Member regarding a playground associate. The Committee concluded this presentation with the following resolution:

**Resolved...** at the recommendation of the Parks Committee that a letter of support be submitted to the Public Design Commission on behalf of the Department of Parks and Recreation's capital improvement of Ferry Point Park Playground. **J. Russo made a motion to accept. R. Bieder seconded. All in attendance unanimously approved.**

D. Schmitt introduced himself as owner of Buster's Marina which now operates the concession of Hammond Cove. Mr. Schmitt has been in the Marina industry for over two decades. Mr. Schmitt commits to a major investment such as brand-new docks and thorough cleaning of the property. There will be new electric. There will be a water recycling pressure system. There will be a restaurant which will be renovated. There will non-motorized kayaks and paddle boards for \$99 for the summer season with a guest. [Bronxmarina.com](http://Bronxmarina.com) is its website that will advertise the design of Hammond Cove and new features.

The meeting adjourned at roughly 7:45 P.M. by an unanimous vote of adjournment.

