

Chairman Mohammed Mujumder - District Manager: William Rivera

Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Summary

October 8, 2025

Board Members Present: Marie Davis, Abunoman Rahman

I. Introduction

A. Committee Description: The Parks and Recreation Committee represents the community's interests with regard to parks, park services and all park related matters and acts as a liaison between parks users and the New York City Parks Department.

II. Speakers

A. Katerine Broome, NYC Parks - Soundview Skatepark Update

- The skatepark will be located just off the track near the trails.
- The project is a collaboration between NYC Parks and The Skatepark Project (TSP).
- The idea originated from a 2024 community meeting, where feedback data showed strong community support for adding a skate park.
- Plans include new site lighting and filtration features to help minimize flooding.

B. Alek Beck, The Skatepark Project (TSP)

- Discussed the design layout, which includes a ring road around the skate park for skating.
- The design features separate areas for beginner and intermediate skaters.
- Elements include pyramid ledges, high beams, and steel grates into the sidewalk.
- The skate park is designed to be welcoming and available for all skaters.
- A roller-skating rink will also be added at the corner for freestyle skating and ride-on rails.

III. New Business

A. District Needs Capital/Expense Priorities

Vice Chair informed members to fill out the district needs survey.

B. Events

- Fall Festival: 10.18.25 from 12pm-4pm (Soundview Park)
- Civic Engagement is People Power: 10.15.25 from 6pm-7:30pm
- C. Next Meeting: November 12th @ 7PM

IV. Notifications

- A. Watson Gleason Park Limited Scope Synthetic Turf Reconstruction project will begin construction on Monday. October 6.
- B. Partnerships for Parks' Volunteer Program supports non-profit and youth programs with one-time hands-on volunteer events. These are great opportunities for school groups, youth groups, church groups, and more to periodically volunteer in parks.
- This program is bringing a large volunteer group (over 100!) of AmeriCorps members to Soundview Park next week for litter pick-up and horticulture maintenance.