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## **City Delivers Promised Bushwick Inlet Park**

*City reaches deal with hold-out landowner to acquire final 7.5 acre parcel of promised 27 acre waterfront park*

**Brooklyn, New York – November 22, 2016** – Friends of Bushwick Inlet Park applauds Mayor Bill De Blasio for fulfilling the 11 year-old commitment to create significant open space along the North Brooklyn waterfront to remediate the impact of the 2005 Waterfront Rezoning. State Assemblyman Joe Lentol and City Councilperson Steve Levin were instrumental in bringing the City and the property owner to the negotiations and keeping them there until the deal was reached. Every elected official from the area joined the community over the past 18 months to push for the delivery of this vital park space, including Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney, Borough President Eric Adams, Deputy Borough President Diana Reyna, State Senators Daniel Squadron and Martin Dilan, Councilmember Antonio Reynoso, and Public Advocate Letitia James. There was also an enormous amount of grassroots, community support, without which none of this would have happened. Thanks to all of the volunteers, rally-goers, sign-makers, sidewalk campers, fence decorators, flash-mobbers, petition-signers, tweeters and FB posters who worked so hard to keep the City honest, and to Brooklyn Community Board #1 and all of the other community organizations that supported us over the past 11 years.

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