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**Re: Design for new public park at Nameoke and Augustina in Downtown Far Rockaway (Queens block 15534, lot 70)**

Dear Ms. Kravitz,

Thank you for the informative packet of materials illustrating your vision for the planned new park at Block 15534, Lot 70 in downtown Far Rockaway. I am impressed with and grateful for the time and creativity that has gone into thinking about an improved public use of this future park. NYC Parks is equally excited to begin a conversation with the downtown Far Rockaway community to shape a design for this important open space, and design for the new park is expected to begin in 2019. As with all NYC Parks capital projects, the first step in the design process is a public scoping session led by NYC Parks planners and designers. This public meeting will be open to all, and I do hope that all those involved in your November 2017 charrette will be able to attend. In the meantime, the materials you sent will be shared with our design group. When the project's official design work begins, these materials will be extremely informative to the designers as additional context and community input.

Thank you again for your interest and creative ideas for this site. I look forward to continuing the conversation regarding new open space in downtown Far Rockaway.

Sincerely,

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