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BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES NEW POLICY REGARDING PUBLIC INPUT AT BOARD MEETINGS

Battery Park City Authority (BPCA) Chairman and CEO Dennis Mehiel today announced a new policy to invite public input at BPCA Board Meetings. Elected officials are encouraged to bring any issues of community concern before the BPCA Board for a full discussion with the Members in an open forum. The general public may also submit written comment to the BPCA Board for consideration and inclusion in the minutes of each Board meeting. This policy is in addition to the establishment of the town hall-style, open community meetings BPCA conducts for Battery Park City residents on a quarterly basis.

"The Battery Park City Authority invites and values community input," said BPCA Chairman Mehiel. "Over the past year we have committed to improving our relationship with the community by conducting open community forums and engaging more regularly in community board meetings and events. But that's not enough. Today's new policy, effective for all monthly BPCA Board meetings going forward, provides for an unlimited amount of public comment on matters before the Board, while allowing Board Members to transact business in a timely fashion."

All BPCA Board meetings are open to the public as well as streamed live and archived on <u>BPCA's website</u>. The next meeting of the BPCA Board is July 20, 2016 at 3pm at 200 Liberty Street 24th Floor.

Open Community Meetings are held quarterly at 6 River Terrace in Battery Park City. The next BPC Open Community Meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2016 at 6pm.

About BPCA: The Hugh L. Carey Battery Park City Authority is a New York State public benefit corporation with a mission to plan, create, coordinate, and maintain a balanced community of commercial, residential, retail, and park space within its designated 92-acre site on the lower west side of Manhattan.

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