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"We want to hear from you. What priorities should we focus on in the 2022 legislative session?

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Office of Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright Leads Search for a RI Community Bank



An aggressive marketing and recruitment campaign garnered five banking institutions with deep roots in New York and a strong affinity for community banking. Senior representatives from Apple Bank, TD Bank, Metropolitan Commercial Bank, Ridgewood Savings Bank, and New York Community Bank came to our open house with great interest in learning more about the growing economy and the vibrant residential and educational communities on Roosevelt Island.

At the request of Assembly Member Seawright, representatives from the state Department of Financial Services attended to explain the state Banking Designation District, or BDD, designation for the island. This program offers an attractive \$10 million in subsidized public deposits and other benefits.

Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney's Chief of Staff Shelby Garner and Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright on the tour of potential bank sites.

"They asked many good questions and visited several attractive venue opportunities," said Seawright. "These conversations are continuing with several state agencies. The feedback has been positive, productive, and helpful."

Assembly Member Seawright Cut the Ribbon and Unveiled the FDR Hope Memorial on Roosevelt Island for Which She Secured \$125,000 from a Generous Donor

Assembly Member Seawright was proud to have secured funding from a generous constituent donor. The memorial is a testament to our former US president FDR's mission to fulfill the promise and hope for a world with the highest diversity and inclusion.

"Congratulations to the Roosevelt Island Disabled Association President Wendy Hersch and the Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation's President Shelton Haynes, and the Four Freedoms Park Conservancy on the occasion of this unveiling of the Hope Memorial on Roosevelt Is-



land in Southpoint park. Thank you to the sculptor Meredith Bergmann for bringing this FDR Hope Memorial sculpture to life! I commend the Roosevelt Island Disabled Association and the late former President Jim Bates for the successful push to bring the FDR Hope Memorial to Roosevelt Island," said Seawright.

Seawright Cuts the Ribbon on PS/IS 217 Green Roof After Securing \$500,000 for Successful Completion

"We are so proud of the commitment 217 has made to school improvement on five fronts to fulfill its mission including Community Service, Educational Resources, School Community, School Culture, and importantly sustainability! Our students deserve a safe place to learn and play," said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.



PS/IS 217 Principal Mandana Beckman on the Green Roof with Rebecca Seawright.



Seawright plants a flower with PS/IS 217 students.



Seawright cuts the ribbon unveiling the new Green Roof.

Seawright Successfully Secures Roosevelt Island's Sportspark Gymnasium as Additional Early Voting Pollsite for City and State Elections

Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright said, "We must fulfill the intent of early voting including the ease of convenient voting times including early morning, late evening, and weekend hours. We are proud to support the establishment of additional sites to eliminate lines and long wait times that deter voters."



Seawright thanks Judy Berdy and poll site workers for their dedication.

Seawright had previously secured an additional early voting site for the general election in the fall of 2020 at Marymount Manhattan College in order to help relieve the persistently long lines at Robert F. Wagner Middle School on the Upper East Side of Manhattan. The story made national news as she threatened litigation calling on the Board of Elections to open additional early voting sites to alleviate the pressure on the single largest early voting site in the state, overburdened with 118,000 eligible voters in what she described as "the horrendous treatment of the disabled, senior citizens, and working men and women-- voters who have stood in line for several hours to cast their ballots, including in the rain."

Useful Contacts

Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation (RIOC) 212-832-4540

Public Safety Department (PSD)

212-832-4545 212-832-4547

Roosevelt Island Residents Association

Please contact the RIRA President (rirarossanaceruzzi@gmail. com) prior to the meeting to be permitted to speak in the public session. www.riraonline.com

Roosevelt Island Disabled Association

MessageRida@gmail.com

Roosevelt Island Seniors Association 917-951-4137

Motorgate Garage 212-832-4585

> **Sportspark** 212-371-2901

Roosevelt Island Historical Society 212-688-4836

Cornell Tech tech.cornell.edu/contact Graduate Hotel 929-447-4700

Carter Burden Roosevelt Island Senior Center 212-980-1888

Coler-Goldwater Hospital & Nursing Facility 212-848-6000

> **Duane Reade** 646-521-2260

Foodtown 212-371-2680

Gallery RIVAA 212-308-6630

New York Public Library 212-308-6243

Franklin D. Roosevelt Four **Freedoms State Park** 212-204-8831

Roosevelt Island Activists Attend Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright's Special District Meeting with U.S. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer



Left to Right: Margie Smith, Joyce Short, Wendy Hersh, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, Sherie Helstein, Lynn Strong-Shinozaki, Matt Katz and Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.

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Reports to Roosevelt Islanders

Seawright Secures Roosevelt Island Mobile Testing Site from NYC Health + Hospitals

PS/IS 217 families contacted Assembly Member Seawright for support in securing a Roosevelt Island COVID-19 testing site. Thanks to her office's outreach to the New York City Department of Health and the Health + Hospitals Test and Trace Corps, she was able to obtain a mobile testing site at the Good Shepherd Church. The mobile unit offers PCR and Rapid Antigen tests at no cost, and no insurance is necessary. Results of the Rapid Antigen test results are available in 15-20 minutes.

