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**Mayor Fulop Moving Forward to Create 3-acre Courthouse Park, the
First Large Public Park in Journal Square, as part of the
Area's Overall Renaissance**

Jersey City Hosts In-person & Virtual Community Meeting Tonight to Garner Residents' Input for \$15M Courthouse Park Project

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Steven M. Fulop joins Hudson County Executive Director Tom DeGise and the Courthouse Park Advocacy Group to announce significant strides being made toward *developing the three-acre Courthouse Park, the first large public park to be built in Journal Square in decades as part of the area's overall renaissance currently underway*. As part of the City's commitment to incorporating community input throughout the design process, the first of several community meetings will be held in-person and [online tonight](#) at 7 p.m. inside the County Annex Building located at 567 Pavonia Avenue in Jersey City.

As part of the Fulop Administration's broader efforts to significantly improve parks and public spaces citywide, the City joined the community over the past 5 years to strongly advocate for the County-owned, 3-acre lot along Newark Avenue to be preserved as open park space for the public to enjoy, especially since there are no other parks in the surrounding area.

"We're not only working to improve Jersey City's parks system, but we're also taking it a step further by finding innovative ways to create new parks and preserve open space in the rapidly growing urban core of Jersey City," said **Mayor Fulop**. "This much-needed Courthouse Park in the heart of Journal Square is another important piece to our broader efforts in reviving Journal Square, attracting residents, visitors, shoppers, and key investments, stimulating Jersey City's economy, and ultimately helping to maintain affordability and flat taxes."

From the preservation of the iconic Loew's Theatre to the upcoming Centre Pompidou x Jersey City, to the recently announced Museum of Jersey City History at Apple Tree House, to the expansion of Hudson

County College alongside critical private development, under Mayor Fulop’s leadership, Journal Square will soon serve as the heart of Jersey City once again for generations to come.



**COURTHOUSE PARK
COMMUNITY
WORKSHOP**

 COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING (SECOND FLOOR)
567 PAVONIA AVENUE JERSEY CITY, 07306

 WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30 - 7:00 TO 8:30 P.M.



SCAN HERE TO ATTEND
WORKSHOP VIRTUALLY!

When work started on the Hudson County Justice Complex, the County planned to demolish and rebuild 595 Newark Avenue, the Administrative Services Building located behind the historic County Courthouse. After years of negotiations between the Fulop Administration and Hudson County officials, plans are now progressing after an agreement was reached where the City handles the design and build-out for what will become a County park. Earlier this year, Jersey City allocated \$15 million to build the park, with community input incorporated throughout the process.

“This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to implement new park infrastructure in one of the most densely-populated cities in the country. Through a community-centered process, we will be prioritizing

the needs of the residents who live directly adjacent to the area and have not had easy access to a park for decades, while also advancing a world-class design that is in alignment with our citywide goals of sustainability, resilience, transportation equity, innovation, and smart growth.” concluded **Barkha Patel, Director of Jersey City’s Department of Infrastructure.**

All community members are invited to attend tonight's meeting and provide their input on how Courthouse Park can benefit the surrounding neighborhood. The meeting will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. inside the Hudson County Annex Building located at 567 Pavonia Avenue in Jersey City. The meeting is also available virtually by clicking [here](#).

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