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Since my district ranks 45 out of 51 in the amount of open space it contains, I have made it a personal priority to reclaim fenced off and inaccessible land and open it up to public use. Building new parks, and maintaining the ones we already have, will always be a top priority for me.

To that end, I was successful in my first term in securing capital dollars to create three brand new waterfront parks in District 5. I obtained \$6.5 million for South Point Park on Roosevelt Island, \$2.8 million for a park at the old East Side heliport site, and \$500,000 for a public park on the privately held land behind One Sutton Place. In addition, I have allocated expense funding toward the upkeep and maintenance of other city parks in my district.