

Schedule for Annual Meeting April 29, 2026

3:45 pm – Students describe projects on Posters

3:55 pm - Welcome

4:00 pm - Pelham Bay Park Access Study Briefing

LAURA MELENDEZ

NYC Parks, Project Development Coordinator for Planning, Planning & Development

4:45 pm - Update on Tibbetts Brook Daylighting & Greenway

MARIT LARSON

Acting Deputy Commissioner for Environment and Planning; Assistant Commissioner of Natural Resources and Planning, NYC Parks

ROOPESH JOSHI, PE

Assistant Commissioner, Office of Green Infrastructure & Cloudburst Design & Construction, DEP

5:15 pm - Dinner and BCEQ Annual Meeting – **Dr. Robert Fanuzzi**, BCEQ President, introduces Moderator Bronx Commissioner for Parks Jessinia Aponte for next section

6:00 pm - Philadelphia - Decentralizing resilience.... Working at the block scale to reduce heat and flood risks

DR. FRANCO MONTALTO

Professor at Drexel University, where he directs the Sustainable Water Resource Engineering Lab.

6:10 pm - Paris (France) – Given climate change projections how did they make a more live-able city

DR. EMMA THEBAULT

Technical Director of Resilience at STV

LEA PELLETERET

Resilience Planner at STV

6:20 pm – Detail Design Strategies or Heat Mitigation, (Lexington, KY; Venice, Italy)

LEE ALTMAN, AIA, LEED AP

Principal at SCAPE.

6:30 pm - How Stormwater and Green Infrastructure, like Daylighting Tibbetts Brook, Help Cool Temperatures and Provide Other Benefits

ANGELA LICATA

Deputy Commissioner for Sustainability at the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

6:40 pm - The Impact of Water and Carbon on Climate

DR. PAUL MANKIEWICZ

Associate Professor, Pratt Institute, Graduate Center for Planning and the Environment, School of Architecture

6:50 -7:30 pm - Discussion

