



Ginsburg joins with officials for grand opening of Haverstraw Commuter Ferry Terminal

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Shown (from left) are: Metro-North president Catherine Rinaldi, Rockland County executive Ed Day, GDC principal Martin Ginsburg; Haverstraw Village mayor Mike Kohut, and Anthony Ferrara, director of facilities for NY Waterway.

Haverstraw, NY Martin Ginsburg, founder and principal of Ginsburg Development Companies (GDC), joined with Rockland County executive Ed Day, Haverstraw Village mayor Mike Kohut and Metro-North president Catherine Rinaldi for a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating the grand opening of the new Haverstraw Commuter Ferry Terminal connecting Haverstraw with the Ossining Metro-North station.

The Ferry Terminal was built and paid for by Martin Ginsburg as part of GDC's Admirals Cove waterfront development at a cost of \$600,000 to promote the use of the NY Waterways Ferry for both commuters and weekend visitors traveling between Rockland and Westchester Counties.

The new 748 s/fterminal building provides a heated shelter with benches for passengers waiting to board the ferry and a new ticket booth for NY Waterways. Ginsburg paid for and donated the Ferry Terminal to the Village of Haverstraw. The terminal sits within the Haverstraw Waterfront Promenade Park, which was built in phases as part of a public-private partnership between GDC, the Village of Haverstraw, and New York State Parks.

"We are delighted to join together today with our friends from the County, Village and Metro-North to celebrate this exciting new terminal that provides a comfortable place for commuters and visitors alike. As someone who is passionate about the beauty of the Hudson River, our hope is this will further help promote tourism in the Hudson Valley," said Ginsburg.

"We welcome this new shelter as a great amenity for our commuters and thank Ginsburg Development Companies for their continued work in Haverstraw," said Rinaldi.

"This new commuter ferry terminal is a fantastic addition to Rockland County's transportation infrastructure, providing our residents with a more convenient and sustainable way to connect with Metro-North and beyond. I applaud Martin Ginsburg and GDC for their vision and investment in this project. Together, we are enhancing mobility, strengthening our economy, and improving quality of life for commuters and visitors alike," said Day.

"The Village is excited for the completion of this magnificent transit hub on our waterfront. The building is beautiful, and it will well serve the needs of our commuters and visitors. GDC has again succeeded in making something potentially mundane into a spectacular piece of architecture," said mayor Kohut.

Ginsburg started the ferry service in September 2000 on GDC property in conjunction with Metro-North Railroad and NY Waterways. It has successfully operated as a weekday commuter ferry over those years, connecting Rockland residents to the Hudson Line of Metro-North at Ossining Station.

Seasonal weekend service was started earlier this year to promote tourism between Rockland and Westchester County. Visitors arriving in Rockland were met by buses that stopped at various destinations in the county. Passengers arriving in Westchester visited Ossining restaurants and explored their downtown. Weekend service was suspended for the winter but will resume in the spring.

Admirals Cove is the final phase of GDC's 700-unit residential neighborhood along the Hudson River. It contains 245 market-rate rental apartments. Begun more than 20 years ago, Admirals Cove is GDC's crowning achievement of the redevelopment of the Haverstraw waterfront on a site that

was once a historic brick factory. Admirals Cove joins GDC's adjacent Harbor Square development to create a beautiful and vibrant community on the Hudson River at its widest point.

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