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New Greenway czar named

Local activist Cliff Stanton, who unsuccessfully ran against Mr. Cohen last year, is the Kingsbridge-Riverdale-Van Cortlandt Development Corporation's (KRVC) new point person on <u>the Hudson River Greenway</u>.

He said he will take charge of organizing RiverFest, the annual summer festival putting a spotlight on the project to give residents direct access to Riverdale's shoreline.

Mr. Stanton added that he will try to shift KRVC's emphasis away from educating residents about the proposed Greenway and toward demanding action to build the long-delayed project.

"People know about the Greenway; they understand what the project represents," he said. "Now [the goal is] to get shovels in the ground and figure out how to do that in the most expeditious way."

Mr. Stanton added he would seek to meet with local elected officials to coordinate KRVC's efforts with their own work. He said he has no aspirations to office right now — a stance that should serve him well as he seeks to collaborate with a group of politicians who supported Mr. Cohen against him in 2013.