

BGC Partners, Inc.  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on June 22, 2016**

**BGC PARTNERS, INC.**

*BGC PARTNERS, INC.  
499 PARK AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10022*

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting

**For holders as of:** April 25, 2016

**Date:** June 22, 2016      **Time:** 10:00 AM EDT

**Location:** BGC Partners, Inc.

499 Park Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

New York, NY 10022

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## Before You Vote

### How to Access the Proxy Materials

#### Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT      ANNUAL REPORT

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## How To Vote

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** Many stockholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to *www.proxyvote.com*. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which include a proxy card.

## Voting Items

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the following:**

1. Election of Directors

**Nominees:**

01 Howard W. Lutnick    02 John H. Dalton    03 Stephen T. Curwood    04 William J. Moran    05 Linda A. Bell

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the following:**

2. Approval of an amendment to the BGC Partners, Inc. Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of Class A common stock
3. Approval of an amendment to the BGC Partners, Inc. Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of Class B common stock and to provide that Class B common stock shall be issued only to certain affiliated entities or related persons
4. Approval of the Seventh Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan  
**NOTE:** The proxy holders may vote in their discretion on such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.