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DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MEETING

Date: Wednesday, April 17th
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Community Board 4 Office
330 West 42nd Street (8/9 Aves.)
26th Floor

A G E N D A

District Issues

NYPD (10th, 13th, Midtown South Precinct, Midtown North Precinct, Traffic)

- All Precincts
Top three collision prone locations/causes in CB4 for the last 30 days
Midtown North: Location-W.50 &12th Ave, W.47 & 9th Ave, W.47 & 8Ave. Causes- Sideswiping, rear ending, right turns
10th Precinct: Location-W.42nd &11th Ave, W.30 & 11th Ave, W.41st & Dyer Ave. Causes- Traffic Congestions, Sideswiping, and Rear Ending
13th Precinct: Location- W.21st &6th Ave, W.23rd &6th Ave, W.26th& 6th Ave. Causes- Vehicle on Vehicle causes
Top three quality of life complaints
Midtown North: Bicyclists traveling the wrong way or not using bike lanes, commercial noise, and NYPD light towers and ambulance lights
10th Precinct: Commercial Noise, Homelessness, Limited street parking
13th Precinct: Noise, Homelessness, Fights
Top Three Major Crimes
Midtown North: Grand larceny, robberies, and burglaries
10th Precinct: Burglaries (package thieves), Grand larceny (unattended properties), Phone Scams
13 Precincts: Grand Larceny and Burglaries
Update and data on Vision Zero initiatives in the District
10th Precinct: Sharing information on W.42nd &11th Ave, W.30 & 11th Ave, W.41st & Dyer Ave.
13 Precincts: Continuing to educate the public. Sharing information on W.23& 6th Ave

10th Precinct

- Reoccurring: Traffic enforcement at West 23 Street and 10th Avenues
There have been 8 collisions and no injuries. 100 summonses were issued due to improper turns or failure to yield.

DOT

- Update: With ConEd – Unenergized Street Lamp at 540 W 53rd St- Issues has been dealt with
- Update: Community request to revise hours and require enhanced noise mitigation for overnight and weekend street work permits on West 34 Street. - Con Ed submitted new revisions. Work will be done at night.

## DOB

- Update: Storm Enclosure Inspections- Conference call will be scheduled
- Monthly Info Request: Number and locations of Weekend AHV approved in Community District 4 in the last 30 days- SEE ATTACHMENTS

## DEP/DDC

- DEP
  - **Reoccurring:** Access to fire hydrant at West 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and 10<sup>th</sup> Ave for Community Garden Group- The fire hydrants were inspected and the bolts were tightened. Construction is going on in that area. Contractors might be using the fire hydrants.
  - **Update:** Noisy DEP Manhole covers: West 29 Street between 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue- Reoccurring issue. It's believed to be a pipe line issue. When the manhole cover stop holding, the unit will be replaced.
  - Top three DEP 311 complaints- Construction after hours & noise complaints from air conditioners and ventilation equipment. A total of 455 complaints were created.
- DDC
  - Project Updates:
    - MED 609 – 9<sup>th</sup> Ave West 50s Street
    - MED598B – West 30<sup>th</sup> Street- Majority of the work will be on 9th avenue. 36in water main
    - MEDA002 – 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Ave West. 34<sup>th</sup> St.-West 36<sup>th</sup> Street- Work is being done on 9th Avenue from W.34-W.37, Monday- Friday from 7am-3pm. Work is being done on the intersection of 9th Avenue and West 34th Street on weekends from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Work is being done on 9th Avenue from West 33rd Street to West 34th Street on weekends from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Gas & electric layouts have been done. A water main will be placed within the next month. Once the pipe is set, it will take a week to do connections and water shutdowns. 9th Ave and W.33- W.34 is a priority due to the water trunk project.
    - MED642 – W. 15-18<sup>th</sup> St 8/9 Avenues- All work has been done. On W.15th Street they're waiting for Con Edison. They'll soon be looking into back filling and road work restoration.
    - HWMP2020 - Gansevoort 9<sup>th</sup> Ave and West 14<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> Street- On W.14th Street, a cross walk is being installed. Cobblestone repairs are being done followed by a 21 day curing period. On the south east corner of W.15th Street excavation is being done for the 12 in water main. Abating the area in 2 weeks. Permit will be issued to close W.15th Street between 8-9th Ave from 10pm & 6am. On W.16th Street electrical layouts will continue for 2 weeks.
    - Multi-Site Ped Ramp at West 34 Street 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> Avenue – A manhole is being installed by Con Edison. There has been an interference with big rocks. They're rock splitting to connect the manhole.

## DSNY

- **New: Sanitation Enforcement on West 58 Street 8/9 Avenues: Sidewalk and curb litter**

- Top Illegal dumping Locations -W.38th Street between 9-10th Avenue, W.33rd between 11& 12th Avenue
- Enforcement Stats and Outreach- SEE ATTACHMENTS

**DHS & Homeless Outreach (DHS, Breaking Ground, Urban Pathways)**

- **DHS Update: Reopening of Women’s Shelter at 427 West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street- SEE ATTACHMENTS**
- Breaking Ground and Goddard Riverside: Homeless Outreach Report
- Urban Pathways: Port Authority Bus Terminal Update- Outreach program was conducted with port authority police officers from 6am-2pm & at 4pm-2am.

**Con Edison**

- Current work locations within CD4- A gas work is being done on W.23rd-W.25th & 10th Avenue on the weekends, and it will continue until the summer. Two electrical jobs are being done on the weekends on W.18th & 10th Ave- Highline. Roadway closures had to be done for those jobs. A job on W.16th between 8-9th Avenue will begin. Work will only be done on weekends and will extend until Memorial Day weekend. Transmission work on W.40th has been done. Work on W.34th will continue for another 3-4 weeks.

**Additional Agency reports, including updates on any policy or personnel changes.**

**Next DSC meeting: Wednesday, May 15 at 10:00AM.**

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The meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 AM and will last approximately an hour and quarter. As always, it is important for everyone to attend so that productive multi-agency dialogues may occur. Please contact the Board Office regarding questions about the meeting. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

SRs - Top 30 by CB

Borough **MANHATTAN** Community Board Sequence

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March 2019

Descriptor 1	# of SRs
Noise: Construction Before/After Hours (NM1)	199
Noise: air condition/ventilation equipment (NV1)	30
Noise: Construction Equipment (NC1)	26
Noise: Jack Hammering (NC2)	21
Noise: Private Carting Noise (NQ1)	18
Noise, Barking Dog (NR5)	17
Catch Basin Clogged/Flooding (Use Comments) (SC)	15
Lead Kit Request (Residential) (L10)	15
Leak (Use Comments) (WA2)	13
Air: Odor/Fumes, Vehicle Idling (AD3)	11
Manhole Cover Missing (Emergency) (SA3)	11
Manhole Cover Broken/Making Noise (SB)	8
Noise: Alarms (NR3)	8
Hydrant Defective (WC2)	6
Hydrant Leaking (WC1)	5
Dirty Water (WE)	4
Hydrant Running (WC3)	4
No Water (WNW)	4
Asbestos Complaint (B1)	3
Other Sewer Problem (Use Comments) (SZZ)	3
Sewer Backup (Use Comments) (SA)	3
Street Flooding (SJ)	3
Air: Odor/Fumes, Other (Use Comments) (AD6)	2
Chemical Spill/Release (HA1)	2
Grease In Sewer/Catch Basin (IDG)	2
Oil Spill On Street, Large (HQL)	2
Other Water Problem (Use Comments) (WZZ)	2
Possible Water Main Break (Use Comments) (WA1)	2
Rooftank Leak Or Overflow (CKO)	2
Air: Dust, Construction/Demolition (AE4)	1
Air: Dust, Other (Use Comments) (AE5)	1
Air: Smoke, Chimney or vent (AS1)	1
Air: Smoke, Vehicular (AA4)	1
Chemical Odor (HD1)	1
Chemical Spill (IAC)	1
Excessive Water In Basement (WEFB)	1
Hydrant Knocked Over/Missing (WC)	1
LOW WATER PRESSURE - WLWP	1
Noise: lawn care equipment (NCL)	1
Sewer Odor (SA2)	1
Taste/Odor, Musty/Stale (QA4)	1
Unsafe Chemical, Storage (HC1)	1
Wasting Faucets,Sinks,Flushometer,Urinal,Etc. - Private Residence (CWR)	1

Total # = 455

## Summons Issued In MN04 CY 2019

Community District	Violation Code	INT_SHORT_DESC	January	February	March	# of DSNY Violations	
MN04	AR01	Improper curbside container	2	4	1	7	
	AR05	Insufficient recycling container	1		2	3	
	AR06	misuse of container	1			1	
	AR08	Fail-Bundle News/Cardbd	5	1		6	
	AR09	Fail-Properly Recycling for collection	13	6	15	34	
	AR10	Non recycling in Rec containr designated coll area	5	9	4	18	
	AR11	Mixing recyclables with non-recyclables	6	18	3	27	
	AR1E	Improper curbside container	1	4		5	
	AR1H	Non-recyc in recyc container	2	2	1	5	
	AR4F	Insufficient recycling container	2		6	8	
	AR4H	Apt. mix recycl. with non-rec	7	15	7	29	
	AR7F	Misuse of container			1	1	
	AR7G	Fail-Properly recyc for collec	4	2	5	11	
	ARC7	Commingling of rcy with Solid waste source separat		1		1	
	ARD1	Commingling of rcy with solid waste single stream	2	5		7	
	ARE7	Fail to post notice storage area source separate		1		1	
	ARF1	Fail to post notice storage area single stream		1		1	
	ARG1	Unlabeled rcy container(Owner/Lessee) (Source Sep)		2		2	
	ARG4	Unlabel rcy container(Owner/Lessee)(Single Stream)	2	5		7	
	ARH7	No rcy label on containers Owner (Single Stream)		1		1	
	ARI1	Fail notify employees and post rcy occup. SRC/SEP		1		1	
	ARI4	fail notify employees and post rcy occup SIN/STR	3	7		10	
	AS02	Failure to Post Sign/Permit	9	2	5	16	
	AS03	Littering - From Vehicle			3	3	
	AS06	Dirty Sidewalk	17	19	41	77	
	AS07	Sidewalk Obstruction	1	1	7	9	
	AS18	Failure to store receptacles	33	23	64	120	
	AS19	Loose rubbish	27	28	48	103	
	AS21	Snow / ice on sidewalk vacant lot		1		1	
	AS23	Street Obstruction	1			1	
	AS26	Failing to Clean 18" into Street	94	95	115	304	
	AS3F	Spillage from Motor Vehicle			1	1	
	AS6M	Dirty Area	3	8	9	20	
	ASP1	Improper/Insuf/uncovered receptacle	12	12	15	39	
	ASP4	Improper-disposal bedding	14	17	20	51	
	ASP7	Improper Receptacle	3	11	3	17	
	ASR8	fail to recycle organics Hotel	1			1	
	ASR9	fail to recycle organics Hotel	1			1	
	ASU1	No organic Label Container				0	
	ASV4	carter sticker Organics				0	
	ASV5	carter sticker Organics	1			1	
	ASW4	signage in processing area organics		2		2	
	ASX4	Failure to recy organics (FSE Chain 100 or more)		1		1	
	ASX7	Fail to Recy org(Retail food store 25000 Sq Ft)		1		1	
	ASZ4	Insufficient Receptacles	3		3	6	
	ASZ7	Brokenreceptacles			1	1	
	PARK_BCC	Parking Violation Issued By BCC	96	41	204	341	
	<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>372</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>1,303</b>

**Operated by: Care for the Homeless**

**Location: 427-429 West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street**

**Total units: 120 units for Single Adult Women**

## **When is this facility scheduled to open?**

This transitional housing facility will serve 120 single adult women experiencing homelessness from this community and surrounding communities in the Manhattan as they stabilize their lives, and is scheduled to open in spring 2019.

## **Who is the social services provider?**

Care for the Homeless is the not-for-profit social service provider partner that will operate this site. Care for the Homeless has extensive experience and expertise operating transitional housing facilities and helping to achieve significant housing placement outcomes for individuals experiencing homelessness. Our partnership with Care for the Homeless at this location will continue that work by giving 120 individuals experiencing homelessness the opportunity to be sheltered in their home borough, closer to their support networks and the communities they last called home as they get back on their feet.

## **Who will be served by this facility?**

The shelter will serve 120 women experiencing homelessness and mental health challenges with priority offered to those with roots in Manhattan, providing those who previously resided in the borough before experiencing homelessness with dedicated mental health programming and the opportunity to remain closer to their support networks, including the anchors of life that we all rely on, like jobs, community, healthcare, family, friends and houses of worship as they get back on their feet. On-site services will include case management, housing placement assistance, health and mental health services, alongside expert clinical staff that will provide health education through coaching and counseling with the end goal of improved health outcomes and increased self-sufficiency for the clients. Off-site service linkages will include, but will not be limited to, primary healthcare, mental health services, substance use treatment, education and employment services, and legal services.

## **What is the average duration of stay?**

The average length of stay for single adults in shelter is approximately one year.

## **Is there a curfew for clients?**

There is a 10:00 PM curfew for residents. Individuals who are employed with late work hours will receive passes to return to the facility after curfew based on their documented work schedule.

## **How did the City select this site?**

Not-for-profit providers propose new shelters through an open-ended RFP process, which means proposals are accepted on a rolling basis. When a proposal is submitted, the quality of the proposal (including the need for the proposed shelter capacity at the location, the viability of the building, the scope of the client services, the experience of the provider, pricing and other operational matters) is evaluated and scored by agency program experts working with the Department of Social Services Contracts Office in accordance with New York City Procurement Policy Board Rules. The proposal is also reviewed by Agency leadership for consistency with the borough-based approach, and the capacity and equitable siting goals that the *Turning the Tide* plan will achieve when it is fully implemented.



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## Turning the Tide on Homelessness in New York City

*A borough-by-borough plan*

In 2017, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced “Turning the Tide on Homelessness in New York City,” his borough-by-borough plan for addressing the challenge of homelessness, which affects every community across the five boroughs. The Mayor’s plan will completely end the use of all 360 cluster sites and commercial hotel facilities citywide, while opening a smaller number of 90 new, more effective borough-based shelters. This will reduce the number of Department of Homeless Services’ facilities by 45 percent across New York City.

The plan’s guiding principle is community and people first, giving homeless New Yorkers, who come from every community across the five boroughs, the opportunity to be sheltered closer to their support networks and anchors of life, including schools, jobs, healthcare, family, houses of worship, and communities they called home in order to more quickly stabilize their lives.

### Turning the Tide in Manhattan Community District 4: The Facts

**Ending Stop Gap Measures: No More Commercial Hotel and Cluster Use—** The Mayor’s plan commits to ending the use of all cluster sites and commercial hotel facilities citywide and opening new high-quality sites that more effectively address our clients’ unique needs, recognizing there is no one-size-fits-all solution to this citywide challenge. In this neighborhood, we are ending the use of four commercial hotel facilities, which are currently being utilized to provide temporary shelter to nearly 650 New Yorkers experiencing homelessness. As a result, more than half of the sites currently utilized by DHS in Community District 4 will be phased out as part of this plan.

**Creating New High-Quality Capacity: Meeting New Yorkers’ Needs—** Today, in Community District 4, nearly 650 New Yorkers experiencing homelessness are currently being sheltered in less effective stop-gap cluster sites that we are phasing out as part of our plan. Our new high-quality borough-based facility at 427-429 West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street will give 120 New Yorkers experiencing homelessness and mental health challenges the opportunity to get back on their feet in their home borough, closer to their support networks, including schools, jobs, healthcare, family, houses of worship, social services, and communities they last called home. To that end, we will be prioritizing placement of individuals experiencing homelessness and mental health challenges from Manhattan at this residence, which will more effectively help them regain stability by providing comprehensive social services focused on mental health including: substance use treatment, independent living workshops and ongoing psychosocial groups provided by licensed social workers, medication monitoring and assistance obtaining benefits, and dedicated staff that will provide health education through coaching and counseling with the end goal of improved health outcomes and increased self-sufficiency.

**Closer to Community and Support Networks: 120 New Yorkers Return Home—** In partnership with experienced not-for-profit social service provider Care for the Homeless, we will be offering 120 New Yorkers the opportunity to be sheltered closer to their support networks and anchors of life, including jobs, health care, family, houses of worship, and the communities they called home in order to more quickly stabilize their lives.

**Stabilizing Lives: Helping Homeless Neighbors Get Back on Their Feet—** Under the de Blasio Administration’s Housing New York Plan to build or preserve an historic 300,000 units of affordable housing, the City has financed more than 122,000 affordable homes, including enough affordable housing to serve approximately 329,000 low-income New Yorkers. In Manhattan Community District 4, the City has created or preserved over 4324 affordable units – 2997 of which or 69% are for low-income New Yorkers and below. Additionally, under this Administration, DHS has helped transition nearly 742 households out of shelter and into permanent, affordable housing in the area.

**Engaging the Community: Seeking Input and Open Dialogue—** We welcome community input as we move forward, and, where possible, we will make adjustments based on community feedback to ensure our facilities are seamlessly integrated into the community and our clients receive a warm welcome. To continue this ongoing dialogue and to support our mission to help our homeless neighbors stabilize their lives, please consider joining the Community Advisory Board for 427-429 West 52<sup>nd</sup> Street.



**Department of  
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February 28, 2019

**Re: Turning the Tide on Homelessness**

**Steven Banks**  
Commissioner

**150 Greenwich Street  
New York, NY 10007**

**929 221 7315**

Dear District Manager,

Two years ago today, the Mayor announced "[Turning the Tide on Homelessness in New York City](#)," our comprehensive plan for addressing the challenge of homelessness, which affects every community across the five boroughs. The plan's guiding principle is community and people first: giving homeless New Yorkers, who come from every community across the five boroughs, the opportunity to be sheltered in their home boroughs. We're doing that by phasing out the stop-gap quick-fixes of prior administrations, including the 19-year-old cluster program and use of commercial hotels, which dates back on and off to the 1960s, and replacing them with a smaller number of high-quality borough-based shelters nearer to New Yorkers' support networks. These reforms are the right thing to do for those experiencing homelessness in our City and communities, helping us keep families and individuals connected to their schools, jobs, medical care, houses of worship and families as they get back on their feet.

We are writing today to provide you with an update as well as an invitation.

In the second year of our plan, while we know we have much more work to do, our strategies are starting to show measurable results for homeless families and individuals. After nearly four decades of homelessness increasing exponentially in New York City, our reforms have broken the growth trajectory and our new programs and investments have helped us hold the DHS census essentially flat year over year in 2017 and 2018, even as we have provided shelter and services to more than 550 evacuees from Puerto Rico who the Trump Administration abandoned last year. We've also made progress driving down the number of families experiencing homelessness and residing in shelter on any given night, with the peak number of individuals in those families declining by nearly 3,000 between 2014, when families in shelter on a given night were comprised of more than 47,400 individuals, and 2018, when families in shelter on a given night were comprised of approximately 44,700 individuals. At the same time, by closing substantial numbers of sub-par shelter locations, and opening a smaller number of new, high-quality sites, we've already shrunk our NYC DHS shelter footprint by nearly 30 percent—well on our way towards our goal shrinking the footprint by 45 percent overall—by achieving a net reduction of about 180 locations, and reducing the number of shelter sites to fewer than 470, down from the 647 locations reported in Turning the Tide two years ago.



We're encouraged by communities that have responded with compassion to this call to action. And we are confident that, working together with communities across the city, we will make this the best experience it can be for New Yorkers in need as they get back on their feet.

A link to the Mayor's comprehensive "Turning the Tide" plan can be found here: [nyc.gov/tide](http://nyc.gov/tide). Should you identify a location within your district you believe may be potentially suitable for transitional housing, please contact First Deputy Commissioner Jackie Bray, at (212)-361-0648 or [intergov@dss.nyc.gov](mailto:intergov@dss.nyc.gov) to provide the information we would need in order to evaluate this potential site further.

Thank you, as always, for your commitment to helping New Yorkers in need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S Banks", written in a cursive style.

Steven Banks  
DSS Commissioner