

*Statements of Community
District Needs
and
Community Board
Budget Requests*

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Community District**

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INTRODUCTION

The annual Statements of Community District Needs (CD Needs Statements) and Community Board Budget Requests (Budget Requests) are Charter mandates that form an integral part of the City's budget process. Together, they are intended to support communities in their ongoing consultations with city agencies, elected officials and other key stakeholders and influence more informed decision making on a broad range of local planning and budget priorities. This report also provides a valuable public resource for neighborhood planning and research purposes, and may be used by a variety of audiences seeking information about New York City's diverse communities.

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from August to November, 2019.

Community boards may provide substantive supplemental information together with their Statements and Budget Requests. This supporting material can be accessed by clicking on the links provided in the document or by copying and pasting them into a web browser, such as Chrome, Safari or Firefox.

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

1. Overarching Community District Needs

Sections 1 – 4 provide an overview of the community district and the top three pressing issues affecting this district overall as identified by the community board. Any narrative provided by the board supporting their selection of their top three pressing issues is included.

2. Policy Area-Specific District Needs

Section 5 is organized by seven distinct policy areas aligned with the service and program areas of city agencies. For each policy area, community boards selected the most important issue for their districts and could provide a supporting narrative. The policy area section also includes any agency-specific needs and a list of relevant budget requests submitted by the community board. If the community board submitted additional information outside of a specific policy area, it may be found in Section 6.

3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY21 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

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Budget Requests: Listed for informational purposes only. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests and budget request responses.

Budget Priorities: Priority numbers apply to expense and capital Budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense and capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 7 of this document.

Supporting Materials: Some community boards provided substantive supplemental information. This supportive material can be accessed by clicking on the links provided in the document or by copying and pasting the links provided in the Appendix into a browser.

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1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

Manhattan Community Board 4

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2. COMMUNITY DISTRICT PROFILE AND LAND USE MAP

Manhattan Community District 4

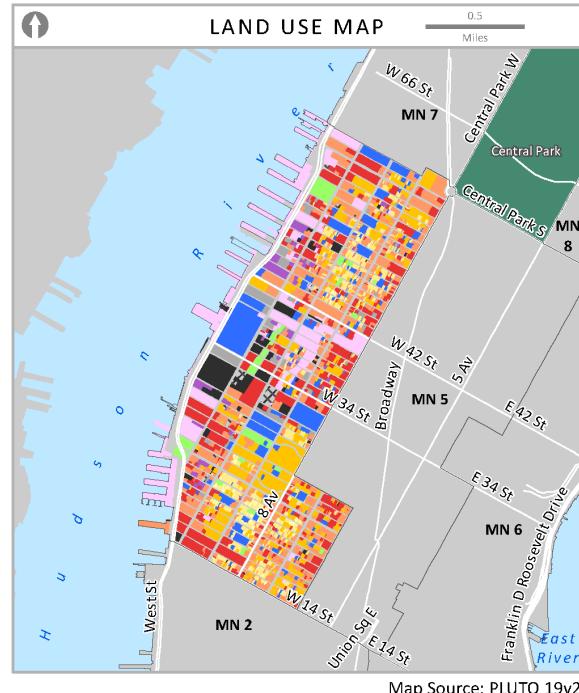


Neighborhoods¹: Chelsea, Clinton, Hudson Yards

POPULATION & DENSITY		
2000 ²	2010 ³	2000-2010
87,479	103,245	+18%
2013-2017 Estimate ⁴		N/A
Square Miles		1.8
Population Density		57,358/sq mi



Land Use Category	# Lots	% Lot Area
1 & 2 Family Bldgs	161	1%
Multifamily Walk-up	960	6%
Multifamily Elevator	316	12%
Mixed Use	1,002	17%
Commercial	476	14%
Industrial	55	2%
Transportation/Utility	87	25%
Public/Institutional	166	10%
Open Space	21	2%
Parking	76	3%
Vacant	81	7%
Other	6	0%



Map Source: PLUTO 19v2

A Snapshot of Key Community Indicators

COMMUNITY ASSETS ⁵	
Public Schools	30
Public Libraries	2
Hospitals and Clinics	25
Parks	23
Click to visit the NYC Facilities Explorer	

RENT BURDEN ^{4, 6}	
Manhattan CD 4	34%
of households spend 35% or more of their income on rent	
Manhattan	37%
NYC	45%

ACCESS TO PARKS ⁷	
Manhattan CD 4	94%
of residents live within walking distance of a park or open space	
Citywide Target	85%

MEAN COMMUTE TO WORK ^{4, 8}	
Manhattan CD 4	27 minutes
Manhattan	32 minutes
NYC	41 minutes

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ⁴	
Manhattan CD 4	10%
of residents 5 years or older have limited English proficiency	
Manhattan	16%
NYC	23%

CRIME RATE ⁹	
Manhattan CD 4	20.7
major felonies were reported per 1,000 residents in 2017	
Manhattan	15.7
NYC	11.8

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT ^{4, 10}	
Manhattan CD 4	74%
of residents 25 years or older have earned a bachelor's degree or higher	
Manhattan	61%
NYC	37%

UNEMPLOYMENT ^{4, 10}	
Manhattan CD 4	3.7%
of the civilian labor force was unemployed on average from 2013 to 2017	
Manhattan	4.2%
NYC	4.9%

NYCgov POVERTY MEASURE ¹¹	
Manhattan CD 4	11%
of residents have incomes below the NYCgov poverty threshold. See the federal poverty rate here.	
Manhattan	14%
NYC	20%

¹ Neighborhoods may be in multiple districts. Names and boundaries are not officially designated. ² 2000 US Census; ³ 2010 US Census; ⁴ American Community Survey 2013-2017 5-Year Estimates, calculated for Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs). PUMAs are geographic approximations of community districts. MN 4 shares PUMA 3807 with MN 5, and the ACS population estimate cannot be reliably disaggregated. ⁵ NYC Dept of City Planning Facilities Database (2019); ⁶ Differences of less than 3 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. ⁷ NYC Dept of Parks and Recreation (DPR) (2019). DPR considers walking distance to be 1/4 mile for parks less than 6 acres, and 1/2 mile for larger parks and pools. ⁸ Differences of less than 2 minutes are not statistically meaningful. ⁹ NYPD CompStat, Historic Complaint Data (2018); ¹⁰ Differences of less than 2 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. ¹¹ 2013-2017 NYCgov Poverty Measure by PUMA. This metric from the Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity accounts for NYC's high cost of housing, as well as other costs of living and anti-poverty benefits.

Manhattan Community District 4 - Land Use

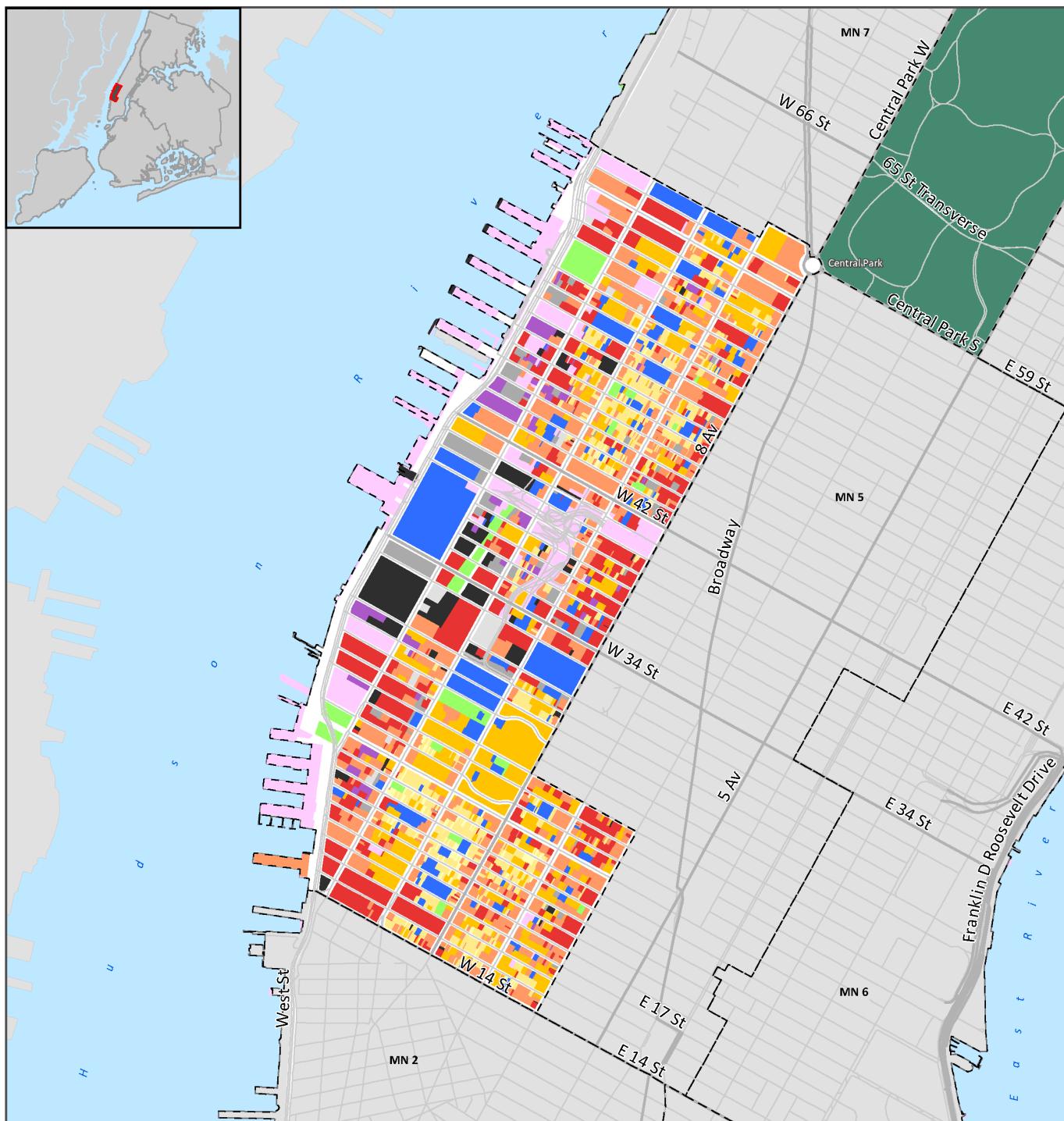
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PLANNING

One & Two Family Buildings	Commercial/Office Buildings	Open Space	Community Districts
MultiFamily Walkup Buildings	Industrial/Manufacturing	Parking Facilities	
MultiFamily Elevator Buildings	Transportation/Utility	Vacant Land	
Mixed Commercial/Residential Buildings	Public Facilities & Institutions	All Others or No Data	



0 1,100 2,200 Feet

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3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Manhattan Community District 4 (“MCD4”) is comprised of three neighborhoods on the west side of Manhattan: Chelsea, Clinton/Hell’s Kitchen, and Hudson Yards. Bounded by 14th Street in the south; West 59th Street in the north; Sixth Avenue south of West 26th Street and Eighth Avenue north of 26th Street as its eastern border; and Hudson River to the west. MCD4 borders Greenwich Village, the Flatiron District, the Upper West Side and the Midtown central business district. Portions of several well-known areas exist within MCD4's boundaries, including the Garment District, the Flower District, the Gansevoort Market Historic District, the Ladies' Mile Shopping District, the West Chelsea Historic District and the Theater District. Other notable sites in MCD4 include: Restaurant Row, The High Line, the Bella Abzug Park, the Vessel and the Culture Shed, the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum, the Circle Line, the Javits Center, the Rubin Museum, Chelsea art galleries, Columbus Circle, Maritime Piers 56-99, the Farley Building/Moynihan Station, the Lincoln Tunnel, the Port Authority Bus Terminal, and the northern half of Hudson River Park.

The total population of MCD4 has grown from approximately 87,000 in 2000 to over 104,000 according to the 2010 Census. This represents 19% growth overall, much of it concentrated in recently rezoned areas. This rate of growth is faster than most parts of New York City. As a result of rezoning, significant new commercial and residential development is now transforming formerly industrial areas. The fast growing stock of hotels and conversions to AirBnB, as well as new tourist attractions are adding to traffic congestion and sidewalk crowding. Large segments of our neighborhoods are under construction. The rapid increase in land value is accelerating the displacement of many long-time tenants and small business owners, while the new benefits of development have yet to materialize and may not be available to all. Members of MCD4 have strived for balance between the redevelopment of these areas with the preservation and expansion of the district's residential neighborhoods. A major priority is ensuring that new development helps produce more permanently affordable housing. The increased development has also put enormous pressure on transportation systems in the area. Overall, the rezoning and subsequent construction has contributed to the deterioration of the quality of life of residents of MCD4. This mass of new construction is exacerbated by the development of large-scale proposals within MCD4, including Hudson Yards, Manhattan West, the Port Authority Bus Terminal, Amtrak's Gateway Tunnel proposal, and the conversion of the Farley Post Office into the new Moynihan Train Station. Massive increases in truck deliveries and for hire services are disproportionately affecting our district. Further, traffic congestion caused by the Port Authority Bus Terminal and the Lincoln Tunnel are increasingly incompatible with the new residential zoning of the surrounding neighborhoods.

MCD4 is intent on preserving the character of our neighborhoods while taking regional needs into account.

MCD4's priorities include:

- Maintaining neighborhood character and preventing displacement and eviction of residents and small businesses, to enhance diversity and positive neighborhood relations among disparate groups;
- Preserving affordable housing and creating additional affordable housing for people making between 60 and 80% of AMI;
- Maintaining the stability of a long-standing local retail presence in our communities and preserving affordable commercial space for businesses, community, arts and cultural groups;
- Increased investment to renovate and vastly improve the living conditions at Harborview, Elliot Chelsea, and Fulton Houses NYCHA developments;
- Improving quality of air, water, and land;
- Developing coherent transportation infrastructure for our district, including increasing public safety in transportation, strengthening and improving public bus and rapid transit systems, expanding the NYC Ferry network to the west side, and fostering a better balance in street usage between pedestrians, bicycles and vehicles, particularly buses;

- Building new elementary and middle schools, to combat overcrowding and accommodate the rapidly increasing school-age population;
- Creating additional green spaces to combat the lack of parkland;
- Increasing services to the homeless, seniors, people with disabilities, and youth;
- Addressing the quality of life issues associated with construction, a multitude of bars and restaurants and poor sanitation services; and
- Working with the City to ensure its commitments generated by previous rezoning actions (affordable housing, bus garage, parks, arts Spaces) are completed within a timeframe that addresses the looming threats of gentrification.

Overall Most Pressing Issues:

The massive rezoning actions on the West Side have created thousands of market rate units. It made the neighborhoods of Chelsea and Hell's Kitchen very attractive and expensive. This increasingly expensive supply has accelerated the loss of affordable housing units and it is threatening the preservation of the neighborhood character with loss of diversity in residents as well as in businesses. This increase in population puts additional stress on an underfunded transportation system and also results in increased vehicular traffic through the Lincoln Tunnel, which continues to be a major safety and quality of life concern. The three most pressing issues facing Manhattan Community Board 4 are:

1. Affordable housing
2. Neighborhood preservation (development trends)
3. Traffic & Air Quality

Funded Requests: MCD4 would like to thank various agencies for their response to certain requests included in last year's budget and their assistance in addressing these pressing needs. Thank you to:

- DOE for completing the handicap lift at PS11
- DPR for funding and completing the design for a new park on 48th Street and Tenth Ave
- DOE for renovating the chemistry lab at the Food and Science High School
- DCA for the development of a study and database for affordable spaces for arts organizations
- DOT for converting Eleventh Ave to one-way from 57th to 37th Street; installing a bike lane and adding pedestrian safety improvements including concrete islands
- NYPD for funding a study to relocate the Tow Pound of Pier 76
- DSNY for the funding of additional crews to increase residential waste and recycling pickup
- DHS for expanding staffing and resources for the Street Homeless Outreach Program

4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

Manhattan Community Board 4

The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

Affordable housing

For decades, Community District 4 has lost thousands of affordable housing units because of weak regulation of affordable housing by the state and city. This included demolition restrictions, illegal hotel conversion, and harassment of tenants by landlords. Only recently have state laws been strengthened to preserve and protect the existing affordable housing stock. The existing affordable housing has also been confronted by a tremendous increase in the development of new market rate and luxury housing. Through large re-zonings, the MCD4 community has achieved more new affordable housing through recent re-zonings and continued push for more affordable units, but the new numbers do not offset the units lost. Of continued top importance is the preservation and creation of affordable housing at all income bands.

Land use trends (zoning, development, neighborhood preservation, etc.)

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Traffic

Manhattan Community District 4 is home to the Port Authority Bus Terminal and the Lincoln Tunnel, both of which greatly contribute to vehicular traffic and therefore pollution in our community. These facilities diminish air quality, slow public transit, and negatively impact pedestrian safety and space. Additionally, massive rezoning actions have further strained traffic and roadway infrastructure which has not been improved to meet the growing demands of the community from large scale commercial and residential development. The overall growth in deliveries, and for hire vehicles is compounding the problems specificities to our neighborhoods. Our district is home to major citywide distribution centers: USPS with the Farley Annex and major FedEx and UPS facilities on the west side. Pedestrian and bicycle traffic continue to grow, too. While bike lanes are being installed, pedestrians and cyclists regularly confront danger and quality of life issues as they fight for space with vehicles which also impede on public transit. Significant investment in sidewalks and pedestrian safety improvements are needed to mitigate the continued increase in vehicular traffic.

5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

Manhattan Community Board 4

Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Services to reduce or prevent homelessness

Homelessness has become a major issue in MCD4 over the last several years. Large public facilities located within MCD4, such as the Port Authority Bus Terminal (where recent issues of human trafficking have arisen) and adjacent Penn Station are a natural gathering place for people without homes. Many homeless people need social services, in particular substance use treatment, mental health services, and vocational training. The presence of very large homeless shelters, such as BRC, and drug rehabilitation centers has also brought major stress to the community. We do not oppose homeless shelters in our district, however, location and size will be important to consider in future new centers.

Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

Clinton and Chelsea neighborhoods have consistently been ranked as ones with the highest rates of new HIV diagnoses among all five boroughs, almost four times the citywide rate. The recent re-opening of the Chelsea Sexual Health Clinic along with long-standing community partners in our district, i.e. Ryan-Chelsea Clinton Community Health Center, Callen-Lorde, and Gay Men's Health Crisis, are crucial partners in this fight; but more resources are needed for the efforts to make PrEP, PEP, and rapid HIV testing more accessible to all members of our community district. Public awareness campaigns around safe sex and sexual health should also be expanded.

Needs for Older NYs

According to the US Bureau of the Census, there are 16,972 individuals (12.1%) over 65 years of age living in the Chelsea/Clinton Neighborhoods. The number of people over age 65 began to increase substantially beginning in 2011 as the oldest members of the baby-boom generation reach the 65-year mark. The number of people age 65 or older will nearly double between 2000 and 2030. To better understand the growing needs of our seniors, in 2013, the Board partnered with The Actors Fund (a human service organization for the performing arts with many constituents living in MCD4), the Visiting Nurse Service of New York and the Rodney Kirk Center of Manhattan Plaza (a 1700 unit Section 8 building with over 1100 seniors) to conduct a survey of seniors residing in Community District 4. An Advisory Committee of over 40 senior service, health care, affordable housing providers, local political representatives and entertainment unions came together to focus on the needs, concerns and supports required for this community. The Committee identified several main priorities:

- Education/Outreach to seniors about the increase of SCRIE
- A campaign to identify and promote Age Friendly local business
- Expansion of affordable mental health services for seniors and medical home visit programs
- Support services for caregivers of the frail elderly
- A housing agenda for older New Yorkers.

Additional needs for people with disabilities

According to the 2010 Census there has been a 8.3 percent growth in our district of people with disabilities. The Committee identified several main priorities:

- Affordable Housing: Increase the proportion of affordable housing units in the community for people with disabilities.
- Tenant Education: Making sure residents living with disabilities know federal, state, and local housing laws and property owners responsibilities to provide ADA access and accommodations.
- Additional city agencies must make all sidewalks and city owned facilities accessible.

Needs for Homeless

Homelessness has become a major issue in MCD4 over the last several years. Large public facilities located within MCD4, such as the Port Authority Bus Terminal and Penn Station are natural gathering places for people without homes. Many of the homeless population need social services specifically around substance use and mental health treatment. The presence of very large homeless shelters, such as BRC, and drug rehabilitation centers has also brought major stress to the community. We are open to homeless shelters in our district, however, significant is location and size of any shelter opening in our community.

Needs for Low Income NYs

According to the NYU Furman Center, MCB4 represents the interests of the neighborhoods with one of the highest levels of income inequality in New York City. Our district is also home to three large public housing developments: the Chelsea-Elliot Houses, the Robert Fulton Houses, and Harborview Terrace. As stated in an October 2017 letter, the Board is deeply concerned there are only four vendors in our district who participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), all who happen to be small businesses. Two stores serve the 507 WIC participants within Chelsea zip codes, Ideal Marketplace and Western Beef, while the other two vendors serving our district are Sugar Deli and Liberty Bagel Deli and Grocery located in Clinton. More resources are needed to help MCB4 residents access WIC providers and help more grocery stores become authorized WIC vendors.

Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/41	DHS	Provide new homeless shelters or SROs	<i>Downsize the BRC shelter at 131 West 25th Street in exchange establish a new family with children shelter.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/41	DHS, HRA	Other homelessness prevention program request	<i>Include additional funding for after placement support staff for homeless families that are selected through the DHS family preference for buildings receiving 421a benefits. These buildings are typically luxury/market buildings with no onsite supportive services. Both the families coming from the DHS shelter system and the building management will benefit from additional onsite and or light touch supportive services to assist the family to acclimate with the transition.</i>	
3/41	DHS	Expand homelessness prevention programs 1	<i>Expand funding for support for families and adults exiting shelter to decrease homeless recidivism. In particular, expand, GED completion programs, job training, and continuity of social services with additional caseworkers for at least 3 months after exiting shelter.</i>	
4/41	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<i>Expand existing programs for Seniors (DFTA) Meal programs at the following locations: Penn South NORC - 290 9th Ave Encore Community Services - 239 West 49th Street The SAGE Center Midtown - 305 Seventh Avenue</i>	

7/41	DOHMH	Provide more HIV/AIDS information and services	<i>As referenced in the 2018 NYC DOHMH Community Health Profile for Clinton and Chelsea neighborhoods, CD4 ranks highest in the rate of new HIV diagnoses, almost four times the citywide rate. Given the demographics of the resident population in Chelsea and Clinton, the district requires increased funding for education, prevention and treatment for the following organizations: GMHC - 307 W 38th Street, Ryan Chelsea/Clinton Health Center - 645 10th Ave , and Callen-Lord - 356 West 18th St.</i>
16/41	DFTA	Increase case management capacity	<i>As the SARA program expands affordable senior housing, an increase in funding for support services are needed to help seniors age-in-place. The number of people over age 65 began to increase substantially beginning in 2011 as the oldest members of the baby-boom generation reached the 65-year mark. Increase funding for existing programs for seniors for mental health services; In-home supportive services; preventive health; and social services for low income seniors. Possibly by partnering with service providers such as Service Program for Older People (SPOP) and the following organizations: Ryan Chelsea Clinton Clinic, GMHC, Hudson Guild Senior Services, Coffeehouse Senior Center – Project FIND, and Clinton Senior Center – Project FIND.</i>
36/41	DHS, HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance anti-eviction legal services	<i>Continued Support: Expand HRA Anti-Harassment Legal Services to Manhattan Community District 4. These important homeless prevention programs are only provided in East Harlem and Inwood neighborhoods in Manhattan. While the administration is committed to supporting legal services to prevent harassment in districts that are to be rezoned in the near future, community districts such as CD4 which was subject to three large rezonings in the past decade, need enhanced funding to mitigate the increasing amount of tenant harassment due to the increasing development pressures as a result of the rezoning. Enhanced legal services are needed to represent individual tenants and tenant associations in Manhattan CD4.</i>
41/41	DHS	Expand street outreach	<i>Continued Support: Continue to expand funding for staffing and resources for street homeless outreach program</i>

YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE

Manhattan Community Board 4

Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

School and educational facilities (Capacity)

The current number of existing and planned schools in MCD4 is not meeting the demand for seats of school-age children who are currently living in our community and the expected increase in students from all the new residential developments. As development continues, more children will enter our district schools, impacting schools already operating at full and at over capacity. Funds need to be allocated to both acquire space for new schools and upgrade existing facilities.

Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Needs for Youth Education

The Challenges Facing Our Public Schools.

School Capacity:

The current number of existing and planned schools in MCD4 is not meeting the demand for seats of school-age children who are currently living in our community and the expected increase in students from all the new residential developments. Due to the increasing number of larger apartment units being built, traditional methods for estimating the number of school-age children is inadequate in determining the future needs for school seats. As development continues, more children are entering our district schools and impacting schools already operating at full or near capacity. Funds need to be allocated to both acquire space for new schools and to upgrade existing facilities.

Needs Related to Student Welfare and Programs:

Several schools in MCD4 are experiencing an increasing enrollment of students who, with their families, are living in temporary hotel shelters. These students bring new challenges and needs to the system. They include: lack of laundry services, lack of social service needs and lack of a housing specialist. Until New York City has eliminated the use of temporary hotel shelters, these schools need to have permanent on-site social workers to address the challenges that these students and their families are experiencing. In addition, as the population in the district continues to become more diverse, more effort should be made to mirror our diverse community in our schools thereby enhancing the social development of all our students.

New York City DOE
needs to identify and provide additional support for schools with a high number of special needs students. Test preparation should be available to all students and funds made available to make all schools ADA compliant as required by law.

Our priority should be to provide our students with the resources to enable them to perform at their best level and develop the skills needed to continue their education.

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

Our schools are experiencing an increasing number of students living in temporary housing located in MCD4. Many children residing in temporary housing have, at some point, child welfare involvement. Until New York City has eliminated the use of temporary housing in hotels, schools in MCD4 must have on-site full time social workers to address the challenges these students and their families are experiencing.

New York City DOE needs to provide additional support for schools with a high number of special needs students. Test preparation should also be available to all students as well as funds to make all schools ADA compliant as required by law.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/41	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Expand funding to the School Construction Authority for security cameras in the following schools: P.S. 33 Chelsea Prep – 281 9th Avenue P.S. 51 Elias Howe – 525 West 44th Street P.S. 111 Adolph S. Ochs – 440 West 53rd Street P.S. 212 Midtown West – 328 West 48th Street</i>	
10/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Expand funding to SCA to refurbish two science labs for Manhattan Bridges High School at 525 West 50th Street.</i>	525 West 50th Street.
17/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Provide Funds to make P.S. 111 School entrance, gymnasium, and auditorium ADA accessible. Upgrade pre-k bathrooms and sink areas.</i>	440 West 53rd Street
18/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Continue funding for renovation of the following areas and items at P.S. 33: bathrooms; kitchen cafeteria; PA system; security cameras.</i>	281 9 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
19/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>P.S.35M: Increase funding of \$100,000.00 to upgrade library to include also computer and media lab.</i>	317 West 52 Street
31/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Expand funding to SCA for Wifi\Internet upgrade for Liberty High School.</i>	250 West 18th Street
32/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Arts & Craftsmanship High School: Fund 10 Smartboards for classrooms.</i>	439 West 49th Street
34/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Increase additional funding of \$300,000 for NYC Lab School to complete renovation of third floor student and staff bathrooms.</i>	333 West 17th Street
35/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Increase additional funding of \$100,000 for P.S.51 to complete and Earth Science Lab.</i>	525 West 44 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
37/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Increase additional fuding for building wide electrical upgrade to High School for Fashion Industries.</i>	225 West 24 Street

38/41	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Increase additional funding for elevator replacement at the Bayard Rustin Educational Complex.</i>	351 West 18 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
39/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Increase additional funding for new security door alarms at P.S. 11.</i>	320 West 21 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
40/41	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Increase funding for auditorium air conditioning for Business of Sports and Graphic Arts Campus.</i>	439 West 49 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
CS	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school	<i>With schools operating a full or over capacity, we need to identify sites to build new district middle schools. Development on the west side, including Hudson Yards, will bring in an extraordinary number of students, in a short time frame.</i>	
CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>PS11 Captial Needs: Complete Scope and fund Handicap Lift for universal access to the building. This school of approximately 950 students is not yet handicap accessible.</i>	320 West 21 Street
CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Food and Finance High School: Complete needed funding of \$2 million for a chemistry lab.</i>	525 West 50th Street
CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>High School for Environmental Studies: Complete funding for \$100,000 shortfall for new roof project.</i>	444 West 56 Street

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
17/41	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for all grade levels	<i>Provide full funding for all after school programs in the district.</i>	

33/41	DOE	Assign more non-teaching staff, e.g., to provide social, health and other services	<i>Expand and Baseline funding for Licensed School Social Workers in all schools within Manhattan School District 2</i>
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PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Manhattan Community Board 4

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Traffic violations and enforcement

83.5% of the district's population does not own a car. A full third of the population walks to work. In the last fiscal year, our community has seen an increase of 250% in fatalities in spite of robust street improvements. It is critical that the NYPD significantly increase its enforcement of speeding, running of red lights, failure to yield and gridlock which prevent pedestrians and cyclists from crossing the intersections safely.

Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Needs for Public Safety

With the development of the Hudson Yards underway, the addition of tens of thousands of residents, the installation of new tourist destinations (the Vessel, Bella Abzug Park, Whitney museum, High line,) and commuter flows (#7 subway, Lincoln tunnel and Bus terminal) increased deliveries (Whole Foods/Amazon, USPS , Fedex and UPS distribution centers in our districts) and new schools (Avenues, Success Academy , PS 33) our current precincts are stretched to the limit. More traffic agents are needed for the 83.5% of the district's population does not own a car. A full third of the population walks to work. in the last fiscal year, our community has seen an increase of 250% in fatalities in spite of robust street improvements. It is critical that the NYPD significantly increase its enforcement of speeding , running of red lights, failure to yield and gridlock which prevent pedestrians and cyclists from crossing the intersections safely. Enforcement of bus routes, layover, spill-back and idling are needed. the fact that we have four different precincts Make it very difficult to work cooperatively with all of their officers.

Needs for Emergency Services

As the West of Manhattan becomes more residential and the impact of global warming becomes a significant concern FDNY\EMS stations must become more environmentally and neighborhood friendly.

Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/41	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests (Capital)	<i>Relocate the Tow Pound from Pier 76: The Hudson River Park Act calls for the City to use its best efforts to find a new location for the existing tow pound so that Pier 76 can be developed as 50% parkland and 50% compatible commercial use. We urge the City to consider alternatives as soon as possible so that Pier 76 can take its rightful place as part of Hudson River Park.</i>	
33/41	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	<i>Per the city charter which requires matching of service delivery with other administrative boundaries, adjust the boundaries of two existing precincts (midtown north and 10th Precinct) to serve all of CD4. This would reduce the number of precincts from presently 4 to 2 . Resources would be reallocated between precincts. As the population has grown by 17% and residential areas now extend to Hudson Yards and to 11th Avenue, the remaining precincts boundaries and resources should be readjusted to serve the new population to the West in a cohesive manner for the residents.</i>	
CS	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests (Capital)	<i>Continued Support: Continue to fund study to review moving the tow pound on Pier 76 at West 34th Street. Study should explore how these sites will support the construction and maintenance of sections of Hudson River Park and bring some predictability to the development community for sites one block east of the Park.</i>	
CS	FDNY	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station	<i>Continue to fund the permanent relocation of the West 23rd Street #7 EMS station (FDNY) to West 29th Street (11/12 Ave) MCB4 specifically requests immediate funding for a relocation of the EMS station that is temporarily located on W. 23rd Street and Tenth Avenue. The current temporary location was never designed for the heavy use the EMS is placing on this site. The current small, cramped location adjacent to residential buildings has resulted in noise and exhaust pollution. The site is unsafe for both FDNY personnel and nearby residents and pedestrians.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
18/41	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	<i>Fund and deploy 9 traffic officers to increase enforcement of the following traffic violations: vehicular spill-back, parking in no standing, bus drivers using unauthorized routes, vehicular idling, bicycles riding on sidewalks, wrong way on bike paths and streets, running red lights, Illegal electric bikes, vehicles blocking bike lanes, and unnecessary honking.</i>	
21/41	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	<i>Increase funding to increase salaries and benefits for Crossing Guard positions.</i>	522 West 44 Street

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

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Most Important Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

Air quality and pollution

Street sanitation has become much worse in the high traffic corridors of Eighth and Ninth Avenues, and along Tenth Avenue by the High Line. Poor garbage storage (and infrequent collection) has led to a serious pest control problem and increased litter making its way into waterways and parks. MCD4 does not have a sufficient number of DSNY trash pickup trucks, despite its rapidly increasing population. In addition, the increase in restaurants has brought sidewalk obstructions (multiple sandwich boards, menus stands, plants etc.) make it nearly impossible for pedestrians to navigate the sidewalk on Ninth Avenue north of 34th street and on Eighth Avenue. Increased enforcement is required to ensure a safe pedestrian experience.

Community District Needs Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection

The entire coastline of MCD4 and portions of the West Chelsea Historic District is categorized as High Risk Flood Zones. MCD4 is especially concerned about the southern and western areas of MCD4 and the entrances to the Lincoln and Amtrak tunnels. According to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, this community suffers the second highest incidents of chronic lung disease of any community in Manhattan south of Harlem. Given the proximity of the Chelsea and Clinton/Hell's Kitchen neighborhoods to the Lincoln Tunnel and to the Port Authority Bus Terminal, MCD4 is at particular risk from unhealthy air affected by emissions from motor vehicles, especially from the diesel engines in trucks and buses. Another major cause of air pollution in MCD4 is carbon emissions from buildings still using "dirty boilers" that burn heating oil #4 and #6. Many of the buildings using these dirty boilers are rent-regulated and cannot (or will not) pay for the cost of converting to cleaner alternatives. Noise complaints from MCD4 consistently rank among the highest registered by DEP and are rising, especially at night. The main sources of noise are from clubs and lounges (sound equipment and revelers in the wee hours leaving), construction, mechanical/air handling equipment (typically on roof tops), truck traffic (especially private sanitation trucks making pick-ups in the middle of night), emergency vehicles and honking.

Needs for Sanitation Services

The board is very concerned with the frequency of pick-up of garbage in the public wastebaskets that are often overflowing and attracting rodents. This situation has worsened and seen no improvement from previous years and needs immediate attention. With the increase in restaurants in the district, accompanying sidewalk obstructions (multiple sandwich boards, menus stands, plants, etc.) have appeared on the sidewalk making it nearly impossible for pedestrians to navigate on the sidewalk on Ninth Avenue, north of 34th Street and on 8th Avenue. Increased enforcement is required to ensure a safe pedestrian experience.

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
22/41	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>Increase funding to purchase the DSNY District 4 garage an additional holster to clear snow and salt from the additional bike lanes in the district.</i>	
CS	DEP	Evaluate a public location or property for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, green playgrounds	<i>Continued Support: MCB4 lauds the administrations NYC Green Infrastructure Program and we ask that EDC and other agency partners, including the Federal government design, construct and maintain a variety of sustainable green infrastructure practices within MCD4. A portion of the FY 2021 budget should be earmarked to conduct a feasibility study of measures that can limit the damage of storm surges including flood gates. It has been estimated that the cost to design and construct flood gates at Verrazano Narrows, Arthur Kill and Throgs Neck is approximately \$10 billion</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/41	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>Baseline the \$8 million for DSNY staff overtime for additional basket pick up and expand funding to reach four basket pick up crews in total.</i>	
6/41	DEP	Investigate air quality complaints at specific location	<i>Increase funding to increase pollution monitors in CD4. According to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, this community suffers the third highest levels of air pollution in the five boroughs. Air pollution increases incidents of chronic lung disease. Given the proximity of the Chelsea and Clinton/Hells Kitchen neighborhoods to the Lincoln Tunnel and to the Port Authority Bus Terminal, MCD4 most likely is at particular risk from unhealthy air.</i>	
25/41	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Increase funding for NYC organics collection program</i>	

32/41	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Baseline funding for DSNY staff for an additional two crews to bring residential and recycling pick-up service on Thursday and Saturday equivalent to the rest of the week.</i>
35/41	DEP	Investigate noise complaints at specific location	<i>Continued Support: Enhance or expand noise pollution abatement and enforcement programs: Additional resources are needed for night inspections when the noise pollution is most acute and invasive.</i>
40/41	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Continued Support: Continue to fund the additional DSNY staff for two additional crews to bring residential and recycling pick-up service on Thursday and Saturday equivalent to the rest of the week within the district.</i>

HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Manhattan Community Board 4

Most Important Issue Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Affordable housing creation

Increased pressures from re-zonings and development have diminished existing affordable housing stock and have made the need for new affordable housing even greater. Through illegal demolition, illegal hotel conversion, and harassment affordable housing stock has shrunk, and the commitments to create new affordable housing continue to be unmet. The MCD4 Affordable Housing Plan offers a roadmap for how to fulfill and develop more units of affordable housing at all income bands.

Community District Needs Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Needs for Land Use

Years after both Hudson Yards and West Chelsea in 2005 and the Western Rail Yards in 2009, construction is in full swing but many City commitments remain unfilled. A number of items that were agreed to by the developers, the Administration and the City Council await completion. They need the commitment of financial resources from both the expense and capital budgets to support staff and implementation from the Department of City Planning), Economic Development Corporation, Housing Preservation and Development and other relevant agencies.

Needs for Housing

As stated in MCD4's Affordable Housing Plan, affordable housing within the district is critical to the diverse population of artists, students, minimum wage, earners, and seniors. This mixed population includes the many of the most frail and isolated members of our community as well as the backbone of the service and cultural economy that is essential to NYC. It is vital that the City free up subsidies to replenish the inventory of affordable housing units in Chelsea & Hell's Kitchen. MCD4 has developed a detailed plan to generate and preserve almost 10,000 units in our district. MCD4 stands to lose a significant amount of affordable housing due to expiring use in the immediate future. Sadly, our district has been plagued by the illegal demolition of buildings which were "protected" by zoning enacted in large part due to the efforts of this Community Board. We have been fighting against these illegal demolitions but the City needs to step up and do its part. It is unacceptable that 150 units of affordable housing have already been lost because of dishonest landlords and inactive agencies. MCD4 faces additional problems from being home to the second greatest amount of illegal bed and breakfast conversions in the City. Such usage is prevalent in rent-regulated housing and in buildings that benefit from tax abatement programs such as 421- and J-51. The largest concentration of SRO housing in our community lies between 8th and 9th Avenues from W. 42nd to W. 57th Streets. In that area, 62 buildings contain nearly 2,200 SRO units. West 51st Street alone contains 12 buildings with a total of 574 units. West 46th Street has 21 buildings with 289 units. Supporting Materials: The Community Board has provided the following supporting materials which can be accessed by clicking on the link(s) below or by copying and pasting the link(s) found in the Appendix into a browser.

Needs for Economic Development

More than a decade after the rezoning of the Hudson Yards (2005) and West Chelsea (2007), and nearly a decade after the rezoning of the Western Rail Yards (2009), buildings have been built, residents have moved in and businesses have opened but the much-promised resources for housing and infrastructure have not been delivered: many of the City's commitments remain unfulfilled.

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/41	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests (capital)	<i>Provide adequate capital subsidy for the HPD development at the NYCHA Harborview Terrace site located at West 55 Street and 10th Avenue and designate a developer from the most recent RFP process.</i>	525 W 55th St
3/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Harborview Terrace (525 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019) - Prioritize Funding for the following items: Roof repair, Boiler upgrade, and new building entrance doors,</i>	525 West 55th Street
4/41	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades (Capital)	<i>Fulton Houses (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Install security cameras on the roof of all buildings.</i>	
5/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Fulton Development (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Increase funding to renovate\upgrade the Elevators at 418-419 West 17 Street and 420 West 19 Street.</i>	421 West 17th Street
12/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Harborview Terrace (525 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019): Increase funding for the following items: upgraded lighting for public hallways, retiling public hallways, new hoper doors (garbage shoot doors), renovate garbage storage area for senior building, and new apartment front doors.</i>	Harborview Terrace Building 1, Manhattan, New York, NY
13/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Fulton Development (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Increase funding to renovate\upgrade the following items: new sump pit\pumps for the following buildings: 401 West 16 Street; 420 West 19 street; 434 West 17 Street.</i>	9 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
14/41	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests (capital)	<i>Provide adequate capital subsidy for the Multifamily Preservation Loan Program (MPLP) and the Senior Affordable Rental Apartments (SARA) for the following affordable housing projects: 560 West 52nd Street - (MPLP) 500 West 52nd Street - (SARA)</i>	500 & 560 West 52nd St
23/41	EDC	Invest in capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	<i>Fund a Brooklyn\Chelsea Ferry service to serve the large workers population in the lower part of our district. Location Site Street: 11th Avenue/Pier 57 at West 14th Street.</i>	

CS	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests (capital)	<i>Provide affordable housing subsidy for Slaughterhouse Site RFP located at 495 11th Ave. This 100% permanently affordable development will satisfy two commitments made by the City in the rezoning for affordable apartments to be built on Site M, and on the 20th Street sanitation parking space. It will be affordable at 80 to 165% of AMI. The project will have a height of 45 stories, will include an affordable supermarket and Over 75 units of Supportive Housing.</i>	495 11 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
CS	EDC	Make infrastructure investments that will support growth in local business districts	<i>Continue to fund the creation of Block 5 and 6 of Bella Abzug Park by issuing tax-exempt bonds by HYDC.</i>	
CS	HPD	Provide more housing for medium income households	<i>Provide adequate capital subsidy for 100% permanent middle and moderate affordable housing at the HPD developments committed to in the Western Rail Yards Points of Agreements. DEP Site: 705 10th Avenue MTA Site: 806 9th Avenue</i>	
CS	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Elliot-Chelsea (425 West 25th Street) Fund and complete following projects: Fund and complete renovations of all building lobbies. Cameras in front of the Hudson Guild pathway and playground 441 West 26th Street</i>	425 West 25th Street

Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Expand funding for Dept. of Buildings Code Enforcement to provide 1-2 dedicated inspector for Special District enforcement to ensure compliance of Land Use regulations in the Special Districts. In addition, raise the priority of updating the DOB website so applications for improper demolitions and certificates of non-harassment in special districts can be flagged earlier.</i>	
14/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Provide additional funding for Dept. of Buildings enforcement inspectors for non-compliant ADA entrances.</i>	

22/41	EDC	Expand programs for certain industries, e.g. fashion, film, advanced and food manufacturing, life sciences and healthcare	<i>Fund study to review moving the heliport at West 30th Street in the Hudson River Park.</i>
23/41	DCP	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	<i>Implement the extension of the Special West Chelsea District (SWCD) to adjacent areas. It is now time, nine years after the creation of the SWCD, for the City to follow through with the promises it made including those listed then as Points of Agreement. In particular, expand the SWCD to the West from 11th Avenue to 12th Avenue at West 26th Street to West 28th Street. The Department of City Planning must re-examine the unforeseen problems, which have emerged as development rises in the SWCD creating pressures on adjacent areas like West 14th Street that might necessitate new zonings or the expansion of the SWCD itself.</i>
24/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Modify the special permit process for off-street parking in new residential buildings. The current methodology for calculating parking for special permit findings does not reflect the realities of CD4, particularly in West Chelsea. The methodology encourages the building of parking spaces which attract more cars in an area that is already overwhelmed by traffic and has excellent mass transit.</i>
26/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Increase funding for staffing to pursue with due diligence the collection of outstanding fines owed by repeat violators, and enforce unsafe and after hours construction compliance is essential. In particular, Increase the number of inspectors, community coordinators, and administrative associates.</i>
27/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Fund study on impact of exempting cultural not-for-profit organizations from real estate taxes.</i>
28/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Study the effects of the transfer of Transferable Development Rights (TDRs) from churches and other non-profit entities on their surrounding communities. Develop methods to control the development of out-of-scale buildings based on these TDRs.</i>

29/41	DCP	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	<i>Study the rezoning of the midblock areas between Sixth and Eighth Avenues, between West 14th and West 26th Streets to control the development of out-of-scale buildings and to preserve a continuous street wall.</i>
30/41	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Expand after-hour inspections by additional funding for inspectors.</i>
31/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Fund study on the impact of not requiring commercial gyms to obtain a Special Permit for Physical Culture Establishments.</i>
34/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Continued Support: Expand funding for the enforcement of the regulations on illegal hotel use. Illegal hotel use continues to exist and expand in the CD4 district. The NYS Attorney General report Airbnb in the City, found that CB4 is one most trafficked neighborhoods for illegal hotel use, and of the three community districts that collectively account for 41% of Airbnbs revenue in NYC. Illegal hotel use depletes our affordable housing stock, incentivizes tenant harassment and creates quality of life issues for existing tenants. Increase OSE resources including lawyers, investigators and inspectors dedicated to bringing litigation against illegal hotel use, particularly in the most problematic districts.</i>

TRANSPORTATION

Manhattan Community Board 4

Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility.

Pedestrian safety

Trucks and buses are a looming presence on residential streets. The current on-street facilities for buses and commuter vans are inadequate, and environmental pollution is a constant quality of life complaint and threat to public health. Due to sidewalk obstructions, pedestrians are forced to compete with each other for every inch of walkable sidewalk and are often forced to walk in traffic. Compounding the issue, pedestrian ramps are poorly maintained. Crosstown bike lanes are more popular and more dangerous than ever; protected bike lanes are needed in order to adequately protect riders. Scores of workers coming to and from Brooklyn to our tech companies need additional modes of transportation, such as ferry service between Brooklyn and the west side. Bus service continues to deteriorate: more dedicated bus lines are needed on 9th and 10th Avenue. There is less and less space for charter bus parking and it is urgent to build the garage that was promised during the Hudson Yards rezoning.

Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility.

Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

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Needs for Transit Services

Bus service continues to deteriorate: more dedicated bus lanes are needed on 9th Avenue and 42nd Street. with numerous hi rise construction already completed on the far west side, buidling the West 41st Street subway station is becoming imperative to reduce jitneys proliferation and congestion. Scores of workers coming to and from Brooklyn need additional modes of transportation, such as ferry service between Brooklyn and the west side. More taxis and for hire vehicles are needed to improve transit for ADA and seniors.

Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
6/41	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming (Capital)	<i>Convert painted pedestrian islands, extensions and neck downs to permanent concrete structures (10th Avenue and 11th Avenue) including tree pits and trees. As committed by NYC DOT in the 11th Avenue project: 10th Avenue: 3 islands - From West 52 Street to West 60 Street. 11th Avenue: West 58 Street and West 59 Street – 2 concrete median islands and West 57 Street to West 42 Street - convert 25 painted islands to concrete.</i>	
15/41	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Fulfill the city commitment to install ADA compliant ramps at intersections - Dyer Ave and West 34th Street - North side of West 42 Street and Dyer Avenue - Ramps are missing at this location. In addition, install up to 30 audible pedestrian signals, especially at West 15th Street and 9th Avenue.</i>	
20/41	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Resurface 8th Avenue bike lane. The bike lane is very damaged with many potholes and the green paint and stripping is warn off.</i>	
25/41	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Reconstruct Ninth Avenue from West 55th to 34th Streets to implement changes resulting from the DOT study now underway. Implement neck downs on each street block directly to the East and West of Ninth Avenue.</i>	9th Ave West 55th St West 34th St
29/41	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>Work with MTA to design the West 41st and 10th Ave station for the # 7. And extend #7 to service additional communities.</i>	West 41 St 10th Ave 11th Ave
36/41	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Fulfill the city commitment to reduce radius of West 35th Street turn at Dyer Avenue (Hudson Yards rezoning follow up actions, Western Rail yards negotiations.</i>	Dyer Avenue West 35th St
CS	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>MCB4 continues support for funding for improvements to the Para-transit system and Access-a-Ride service. Including purchase of additional vehicles, vehicle upgrades, and better customer service training.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/41	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming (Expense)	<i>Fund Study on pedestrian safety at 11th Avenue from West 20th Street to West 24th Street.</i>	11th Avenue West 20th Street West 23rd Street
9/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Study sidewalk capacity and pedestrian demand along the balance of 8th Avenue from 34th Street to 38th street and 43rd Street to 50th streets; and 9th Avenue North of 34th Street. In particular, study space effectively allocated to pedestrians, sidewalk obstructions and pedestrian volumes resulting in a true pedestrian level of service. Make recommendation to address congestion and lack of pedestrian flow.</i>	8th and 9th Ave West 34th St West 59th St
12/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Study the location and construction of a tour and charter Bus Garage. In the Hudson Yards rezoning in 2005, the city identified the need for a garage to accommodate additional off-street parking sites for tourist and commuter buses and vans, services, and waiting "black cars". Currently these buses and cars layover on the street and idle. According to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, this community suffers the third highest levels of air pollution in the five boroughs.</i>	
15/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Conduct Study of Protected Bike Lane on 10th Avenue from West 13th to West 59th Streets.</i>	10th Avenue West 13th Street West 59th Street
19/41	DOT	Provide new bike lanes	<i>Study new protected crosstown bike lanes in midtown - between West 33rd Street and West 36th Street.</i>	
20/41	DOT	Address traffic congestion	<i>Study the creation of bus lane on 9th Avenue from 44th street to 57th street to increase the M11 reliability and consistency of its service.</i>	9th Ave 44th St 57th St
37/41	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Continued Support: NYC DOT Para-Transit Service Access-A-Ride vehicles have GPS capabilities but are not always utilized due to lack of training. Continue funding for Training for all staff to utilize the GPS technology and enhanced customer service.</i>	

39/41	DOT	Address traffic congestion	<i>Continued Support: Continue to fund the Conversion and needed enforcement of the change of 11th Avenue to one-way southbound from 57th Street to 42nds Street Reduce congestion by re-balancing traffic between 9th and 11th Avenue as recommended in the Hells Kitchen study. Continue to fund pedestrian safety features and a protected bus lane. Make Eleventh Avenue one-way southbound from West 57th Street to West 44th Street to ensure the reliability of the new bus route.</i>
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PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Manhattan Community Board 4

Most Important Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Library facilities and access

Although significant progress has been made in recent years relating to the number of parks and open spaces in MCD4, the huge influx in the number of residents to the District means that even these new spaces are overburdened. Further, the facilities of the Department of Parks and Recreation in our District provide other services, as emergency shelters, and providing support for other city agencies. Thus, support for our parks cannot be seen as an afterthought, but must be prioritized.

Community District Needs Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Needs for Parks

While many of the parks in our District have had some upgrades in recent years, much work still needs to be done. Restroom facilities in three major parks have not been upgraded in years, while other recreational facilities have been. This has resulted in bringing more people into our parks but not providing adequate restroom facilities. These restrooms must be upgraded. Such upgrades will also allow DPR to provide a full-time, on-site park keeper to address constituents' concerns, provide security and perform routine maintenance. Funding should also be dedicated to support Green Thumb Community Gardens and pruning for street trees. Funding should also be directed towards full-time gardeners, maintenance workers, PEP officers, as well as seasonal aides and playground associates for the summer.

Needs for Cultural Services

According to a study conducted by Innovative Theater Foundation and Columbia University in the Fall of 2008, close to 30% of performance spaces have closed within MCD4 in the last nine years due to development pressures. The presence of performing arts groups develop and give voice to new talent in areas of writing, performing, dancing, choreography, and directing. This vitalizes our New York City and our community, both culturally and commercially, on a block-to-block level. In addition, support services for theater and other artistic services within MCD4 in the areas of rental storage space for art, costumes, scenery, lighting, and rehearsal studios have long been located throughout Chelsea and Clinton/Hell's Kitchen. These services are also losing viable space due to development and real estate costs. The money generated from these industries provides employment and maintains the artistic life of the city. The Board is concerned with the loss of artists' studios in the District and the displacement of working artists.

Needs for Library Services

Supporting and expanding the role of libraries as continuous learning center, job centers, and community connective tissue.

Needs for Community Boards

Since the 1990s, budgets (outside of personnel services) have not been re-evaluated for inflation.

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
9/41	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	Fund \$400,000 for needed roof repair of Columbus Avenue Branch Library.	742 10th Avenue
11/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Fund the renovation and construction of the bathrooms at the following parks: Dewitt Clinton Park - West 52/54 from 11/12 Ave Matthews-Palmer Park - 445 W 45th St Chelsea Park - 450 West 27th Street. Without new and updated bathrooms these parks can not live up to their potential nor can they support needed fixed post park staff.	
16/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Fund complete renovation of Gertrude Kelly Playground and park area.	320 West 17th Street
21/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Increase funding additional \$1 Million to renovate Penn South Basket Ball Court	West 26 Street 8/9 Avenues
24/41	NYPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	Muhlenberg Branch: Fund \$500,000.00 to replace HVAC system with energy efficient model.	
26/41	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	The popularity of the NYC Parks has increased the amount of refuse left in Manhattan parks. Manhattan parks require it's own Packer Truck to transport the refuse.	
27/41	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	Increase funding for street tree pit guards to include existing trees. A number of existing tree pits have been identified as dangerous for pedestrians and for low vision individuals in particular. More tree guards should be used to resolve this problem, which presents a real danger to low-vision pedestrians.	
28/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	Renovate Hell's Kitchen Park.	10 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY

30/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	<i>Renovate Chelsea Park field running track.</i>	West 27 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
41/41	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	<i>Increase funding for Fitness Recreation Specialists</i>	
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Continue to complete the design for a new park at West 48th Street and 10th Avenue as committed to during Western Rail Yard rezoning and negotiations.</i>	10th Ave West 48th St West 49th Str

Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
10/41	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>Dedicate funding to Department of Cultural Affairs for 52nd Street Project, 789 10th Avenue for the following programs: - Playwriting and performing programs from children ages 10-18 - New Platforms: Additional arts programs to introduce young people to art forms other than theater - Smart Partners: Mentorship program, averaging 50-52 pairs per year.</i>	789 10 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
11/41	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	<i>Increase funding for fixed post staff at Dewitt Clinton Park Mathew Palmer Park, and Chelsea Park. The parks in the CD4 district that have comfort stations should have fixed post staff to address constituents' concerns, provide security and perform routine maintenance of that park.</i>	
13/41	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>Dedicate funding to Department of Cultural Affairs to fund the following IndieSpace Programs within the Community District 4 borders: - One on one theatre organization consultations - Additional workshops - Panel discussions and events</i>	23-23 48 Street, Queens, New York, NY

38/41	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>Continued Support: Fund the development of study and database for accessibility of Theatre groups for accessible rehearsal space sharing for the purposes of preserving and creating affordable space for small to mid-sized art and theatrical groups, and other non-profit performance and visual art organizations. MCB4 has long avocated for the creation of a subsidy program, as part of the overall budget of the Department of Cultural Affairs as well as through the theater Sub-district. A database and the subsidy program would help ensure permanent locations for existing and displaced nonprofit arts entities.</i>
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6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

Other Expense Requests

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/41	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests (capital)	<i>Provide adequate capital subsidy for the HPD development at the NYCHA Harborview Terrace site located at West 55 Street and 10th Avenue and designate a developer from the most recent RFP process.</i>	525 W 55th St
2/41	DHS	Provide new homeless shelters or SROs	<i>Downsize the BRC shelter at 131 West 25th Street in exchange establish a new family with children shelter.</i>	
3/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Harborview Terrace (525 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019) - Prioritize Funding for the following items: Roof repair, Boiler upgrade, and new building entrance doors,</i>	525 West 55th Street
4/41	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades (Capital)	<i>Fulton Houses (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Install security cameras on the roof of all buildings.</i>	
5/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Fulton Development (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Increase funding to renovate\upgrade the Elevators at 418-419 West 17 Street and 420 West 19 Street.</i>	421 West 17th Street
6/41	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming (Capital)	<i>Convert painted pedestrian islands, extensions and neck downs to permanent concrete structures (10th Avenue and 11th Avenue) including tree pits and trees. As committed by NYC DOT in the 11th Avenue project: 10th Avenue: 3 islands - From West 52 Street to West 60 Street. 11th Avenue: West 58 Street and West 59 Street – 2 concrete median islands and West 57 Street to West 42 Street - convert 25 painted islands to concrete.</i>	
7/41	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Expand funding to the School Construction Authority for security cameras in the following schools: P.S. 33 Chelsea Prep – 281 9th Avenue P.S. 51 Elias Howe – 525 West 44th Street P.S. 111 Adolph S. Ochs – 440 West 53rd Street P.S. 212 Midtown West – 328 West 48th Street</i>	

8/41	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests (Capital)	<i>Relocate the Tow Pound from Pier 76: The Hudson River Park Act calls for the City to use its best efforts to find a new location for the existing tow pound so that Pier 76 can be developed as 50% parkland and 50% compatible commercial use. We urge the City to consider alternatives as soon as possible so that Pier 76 can take its rightful place as part of Hudson River Park.</i>	
9/41	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	<i>Fund \$400,000 for needed roof repair of Columbus Avenue Branch Library.</i>	742 10th Avenue
10/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Expand funding to SCA to refurbish two science labs for Manhattan Bridges High School at 525 West 50th Street.</i>	525 West 50th Street.
11/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Fund the renovation and construction of the bathrooms at the following parks: Dewitt Clinton Park - West 52/54 from 11/12 Ave Matthews-Palmer Park - 445 W 45th St Chelsea Park - 450 West 27th Street. Without new and updated bathrooms these parks can not live up to their potential nor can they support needed fixed post park staff.</i>	
12/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Harborview Terrace (525 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019): Increase funding for the following items: upgraded lighting for public hallways, retiling public hallways, new hoper doors (garbage shoot doors), renovate garbage storage area for senior building, and new apartment front doors.</i>	Harborview Terrace Building 1, Manhattan, New York, NY
13/41	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Fulton Development (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Increase funding to renovate\upgrade the following items: new sump pit\pumps for the following buildings: 401 West 16 Street; 420 West 19 street; 434 West 17 Street.</i>	9 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
14/41	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests (capital)	<i>Provide adequate capital subsidy for the Multifamily Preservation Loan Program (MPLP) and the Senior Affordable Rental Apartments (SARA) for the following affordable housing projects: 560 West 52nd Street - (MPLP) 500 West 52nd Street - (SARA)</i>	500 & 560 West 52nd St

15/41	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Fulfill the city commitment to install ADA compliant ramps at intersections - Dyer Ave and West 34th Street - North side of West 42 Street and Dyer Avenue - Ramps are missing at this location. In addition, install up to 30 audible pedestrian signals, especially at West 15th Street and 9th Avenue.</i>	
16/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Fund complete renovation of Gertrude Kelly Playground and park area.</i>	320 West 17th Street
17/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Provide Funds to make P.S. 111 School entrance, gymnasium, and auditorium ADA accessible. Upgrade pre-k bathrooms and sink areas.</i>	440 West 53rd Street
18/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Continue funding for renovation of the following areas and items at P.S. 33: bathrooms; kitchen cafeteria; PA system; security cameras.</i>	281 9 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
19/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>P.S.35M: Increase funding of \$100,000.00 to upgrade library to include also computer and media lab.</i>	317 West 52 Street
20/41	DOT	Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)	<i>Resurface 8th Avenue bike lane. The bike lane is very damaged with many potholes and the green paint and stripping is warn off.</i>	
21/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Increase funding additional \$1 Million to renovate Penn South Basket Ball Court</i>	West 26 Street 8/9 Avenues
22/41	DSNY	Provide new or increase number of sanitation trucks and other equipment	<i>Increase funding to purchase the DSNY District 4 garage an additional holster to clear snow and salt from the additional bike lanes in the district.</i>	
23/41	EDC	Invest in capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	<i>Fund a Brooklyn\Chelsea Ferry service to serve the large workers population in the lower part of our district. Location Site Street: 11th Avenue/Pier 57 at West 14th Street.</i>	

24/41	NYPL	Provide more or better equipment to a library	<i>Muhlenberg Branch: Fund \$500,000.00 to replace HVAC system with energy efficient model.</i>	
25/41	DOT	Reconstruct streets	<i>Reconstruct Ninth Avenue from West 55th to 34th Streets to implement changes resulting from the DOT study now underway. Implement neck downs on each street block directly to the East and West of Ninth Avenue.</i>	9th Ave West 55th St West 34th St
26/41	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	<i>The popularity of the NYC Parks has increased the amount of refuse left in Manhattan parks. Manhattan parks require its own Packer Truck to transport the refuse.</i>	
27/41	DPR	Other street trees and forestry services requests	<i>Increase funding for street tree pit guards to include existing trees. A number of existing tree pits have been identified as dangerous for pedestrians and for low vision individuals in particular. More tree guards should be used to resolve this problem, which presents a real danger to low-vision pedestrians.</i>	
28/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	<i>Renovate Hell's Kitchen Park.</i>	10 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
29/41	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>Work with MTA to design the West 41st and 10th Ave station for the # 7. And extend #7 to service additional communities.</i>	West 41 St 10th Ave 11th Ave
30/41	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or playground	<i>Renovate Chelsea Park field running track.</i>	West 27 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
31/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Expand funding to SCA for WiFi\Internet upgrade for Liberty High School.</i>	250 West 18th Street
32/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Arts & Craftsmanship High School: Fund 10 Smartboards for classrooms.</i>	439 West 49th Street

33/41	NYPD	Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct	<i>Per the city charter which requires matching of service delivery with other administrative boundaries, adjust the boundaries of two existing precincts (midtown north and 10th Precinct) to serve all of CD4. This would reduce the number of precincts from presently 4 to 2 . Resources would be reallocated between precincts. As the population has grown by 17% and residential areas now extend to Hudson Yards and to 11th Avenue, the remaining precincts boundaries and resources should be readjusted to serve the new population to the West in a cohesive manner for the residents.</i>	
34/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Increase additional funding of \$300,000 for NYC Lab School to complete renovation of third floor student and staff bathrooms.</i>	333 West 17th Street
35/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Increase additional funding of \$100,000 for P.S.51 to complete and Earth Science Lab.</i>	525 West 44 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
36/41	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Fulfill the city commitment to reduce radius of West 35th Street turn at Dyer Avenue (Hudson Yards rezoning follow up actions, Western Rail yards negotiations.</i>	Dyer Avenue West 35th St
37/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Increase additional fuding for building wide electrical upgrade to High School for Fashion Industries.</i>	225 West 24 Street
38/41	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Increase additional funding for elevator replacement at the Bayard Rustin Educational Complex.</i>	351 West 18 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
39/41	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>Increase additional funding for new security door alarms at P.S. 11.</i>	320 West 21 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
40/41	SCA	Renovate interior building component	<i>Increase funding for auditorium air conditioning for Business of Sports and Graphic Arts Campus.</i>	439 West 49 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
41/41	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	<i>Increase funding for Fitness Recreation Specialists</i>	

CS	DEP	Evaluate a public location or property for green infrastructure, e.g. rain gardens, stormwater greenstreets, green playgrounds	<i>Continued Support: MCB4 lauds the administrations NYC Green Infrastructure Program and we ask that EDC and other agency partners, including the Federal government design, construct and maintain a variety of sustainable green infrastructure practices within MCD4. A portion of the FY 2021 budget should be earmarked to conduct a feasibility study of measures that can limit the damage of storm surges including flood gates. It has been estimated that the cost to design and construct flood gates at Verrazano Narrows, Arthur Kill and Throgs Neck is approximately \$10 billion</i>	
CS	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests (capital)	<i>Provide affordable housing subsidy for Slaughterhouse Site RFP located at 495 11th Ave. This 100% permanently affordable development will satisfy two commitments made by the City in the rezoning for affordable apartments to be built on Site M, and on the 20th Street sanitation parking space. It will be affordable at 80 to 165% of AMI. The project will have a height of 45 stories, will include an affordable supermarket and Over 75 units of Supportive Housing.</i>	495 11 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY
CS	EDC	Make infrastructure investments that will support growth in local business districts	<i>Continue to fund the creation of Block 5 and 6 of Bella Abzug Park by issuing tax-exempt bonds by HYDC.</i>	
CS	HPD	Provide more housing for medium income households	<i>Provide adequate capital subsidy for 100% permanent middle and moderate affordable housing at the HPD developments committed to in the Western Rail Yards Points of Agreements. DEP Site: 705 10th Avenue MTA Site: 806 9th Avenue</i>	
CS	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	<i>Elliot-Chelsea (425 West 25th Street) Fund and complete following projects: Fund and complete renovations of all building lobbies. Cameras in front of the Hudson Guild pathway and playground 441 West 26th Street</i>	425 West 25th Street

CS	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests (Capital)	<i>Continued Support: Continue to fund study to review moving the tow pound on Pier 76 at West 34th Street. Study should explore how these sites will support the construction and maintenance of sections of Hudson River Park and bring some predictability to the development community for sites one block east of the Park.</i>	
CS	FDNY	Provide new facilities such as a firehouse or EMS station	<i>Continue to fund the permanent relocation of the West 23rd Street #7 EMS station (FDNY) to West 29th Street (11/12 Ave) MCB4 specifically requests immediate funding for a relocation of the EMS station that is temporarily located on W. 23rd Street and Tenth Avenue. The current temporary location was never designed for the heavy use the EMS is placing on this site. The current small, cramped location adjacent to residential buildings has resulted in noise and exhaust pollution. The site is unsafe for both FDNY personnel and nearby residents and pedestrians.</i>	
CS	NYCTA	Other transit infrastructure requests	<i>MCB4 continues support for funding for improvements to the Para-transit system and Access-a-Ride service. Including purchase of additional vehicles, vehicle upgrades, and better customer service training.</i>	
CS	SCA	Provide a new or expand an existing middle/intermediate school	<i>With schools operating a full or over capacity, we need to identify sites to build new district middle schools. Development on the west side, including Hudson Yards, will bring in an extraordinary number of students, in a short time frame.</i>	
CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade an elementary school	<i>PS11 Capital Needs: Complete Scope and fund Handicap Lift for universal access to the building. This school of approximately 950 students is not yet handicap accessible.</i>	320 West 21 Street
CS	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Continue to complete the design for a new park at West 48th Street and 10th Avenue as committed to during Western Rail Yard rezoning and negotiations.</i>	10th Ave West 48th St West 49th Str
CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Food and Finance High School: Complete needed funding of \$2 million for a chemistry lab.</i>	525 West 50th Street

CS	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>High School for Environmental Studies: Complete funding for \$100,000 shortfall for new roof project.</i>	444 West 56 Street
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Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Expand funding for Dept. of Buildings Code Enforcement to provide 1-2 dedicated inspector for Special District enforcement to ensure compliance of Land Use regulations in the Special Districts. In addition, raise the priority of updating the DOB website so applications for improper demolitions and certificates of non-harassment in special districts can be flagged earlier.</i>	
2/41	DHS, HRA	Other homelessness prevention program request	<i>Include additional funding for after placement support staff for homeless families that are selected through the DHS family preference for buildings receiving 421a benefits. These buildings are typically luxury/market buildings with no onsite supportive services. Both the families coming from the DHS shelter system and the building management will benefit from additional onsite and or light touch supportive services to assist the family to acclimate with the transition.</i>	
3/41	DHS	Expand homelessness prevention programs 1	<i>Expand funding for support for families and adults exiting shelter to decrease homeless recidivism. In particular, expand, GED completion programs, job training, and continuity of social services with additional caseworkers for at least 3 months after exiting shelter.</i>	
4/41	DFTA	Increase home delivered meals capacity	<i>Expand existing programs for Seniors (DFTA) Meal programs at the following locations: Penn South NORC - 290 9th Ave Encore Community Services - 239 West 49th Street The SAGE Center Midtown - 305 Seventh Avenue</i>	
5/41	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>Baseline the \$8 million for DSNY staff overtime for additional basket pick up and expand funding to reach four basket pick up crews in total.</i>	

6/41	DEP	Investigate air quality complaints at specific location	<i>Increase funding to increase pollution monitors in CD4. According to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, this community suffers the third highest levels of air pollution in the five boroughs. Air pollution increases incidents of chronic lung disease. Given the proximity of the Chelsea and Clinton/Hells Kitchen neighborhoods to the Lincoln Tunnel and to the Port Authority Bus Terminal, MCD4 most likely is at particular risk from unhealthy air.</i>
7/41	DOHMH	Provide more HIV/AIDS information and services	<i>As referenced in the 2018 NYC DOHMH Community Health Profile for Clinton and Chelsea neighborhoods, CD4 ranks highest in the rate of new HIV diagnoses, almost four times the citywide rate. Given the demographics of the resident population in Chelsea and Clinton, the district requires increased funding for education, prevention and treatment for the following organizations: GMHC - 307 W 38th Street, Ryan Chelsea/Clinton Health Center - 645 10th Ave , and Callen-Lord - 356 West 18th St.</i>
8/41	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming (Expense)	<i>Fund Study on pedestrian safety at 11th Avenue from West 20th Street to West 24th Street. 11th Avenue West 20th Street West 23rd Street</i>
9/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Study sidewalk capacity and pedestrian demand along the balance of 8th Avenue from 34th Street to 38th street and 43rd Street to 50th streets; and 9th Avenue North of 34th Street. In particular, study space effectively allocated to pedestrians, sidewalk obstructions and pedestrian volumes resulting in a true pedestrian level of service. Make recommendation to address congestion and lack of pedestrian flow. 8th and 9th Ave West 34th St West 59th St</i>
10/41	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>Dedicate funding to Department of Cultural Affairs for 52nd Street Project, 789 10th Avenue for the following programs: - Playwriting and performing programs from children ages 10-18 - New Platforms: Additional arts programs to introduce young people to art forms other than theater - Smart Partners: Mentorship program, averaging 50-52 pairs per year. 789 10 Avenue, Manhattan, New York, NY</i>

11/41	DPR	Other park maintenance and safety requests	<i>Increase funding for fixed post staff at Dewitt Clinton Park Mathew Palmer Park, and Chelsea Park. The parks in the CD4 district that have comfort stations should have fixed post staff to address constituents' concerns, provide security and perform routine maintenance of that park.</i>
12/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Study the location and construction of a tour and charter Bus Garage. In the Hudson Yards rezoning in 2005, the city identified the need for a garage to accommodate additional off-street parking sites for tourist and commuter buses and vans, services, and waiting "black cars". Currently these buses and cars layover on the street and idle. According to the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, this community suffers the third highest levels of air pollution in the five boroughs.</i>
13/41	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>Dedicate funding to Department of Cultural Affairs to fund the following IndieSpace Programs within the Community District 4 borders: - One on one theatre organization consultations - Additional workshops - Panel discussions and events</i>
14/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Provide additional funding for Dept. of Buildings enforcement inspectors for non-compliant ADA entrances.</i>
15/41	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	<i>Conduct Study of Protected Bike Lane on 10th Avenue from West 13th to West 59th Streets.</i>
16/41	DFTA	Increase case management capacity	<i>As the SARA program expands affordable senior housing, an increase in funding for support services are needed to help seniors age-in-place. The number of people over age 65 began to increase substantially beginning in 2011 as the oldest members of the baby-boom generation reached the 65-year mark. Increase funding for existing programs for seniors for mental health services; In-home supportive services; preventive health; and social services for low income seniors. Possibly by partnering with service providers such as Service Program for Older People (SPOP) and the following organizations: Ryan Chelsea Clinton Clinic, GMHC, Hudson Guild Senior Services, Coffeehouse Senior Center – Project FIND, and Clinton Senior Center – Project FIND.</i>

17/41	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for all grade levels	<i>Provide full funding for all after school programs in the district.</i>
18/41	NYPD	Assign additional uniformed officers	<i>Fund and deploy 9 traffic officers to increase enforcement of the following traffic violations: vehicular spill-back, parking in no standing, bus drivers using unauthorized routes, vehicular idling, bicycles riding on sidewalks, wrong way on bike paths and streets, running red lights, Illegal electric bikes, vehicles blocking bike lanes, and unnecessary honking.</i>
19/41	DOT	Provide new bike lanes	<i>Study new protected crosstown bike lanes in midtown - between West 33rd Street and West 36th Street.</i>
20/41	DOT	Address traffic congestion	<i>Study the creation of bus lane on 9th Avenue from 44th street to 57th street to increase the M11 reliability and consistency of its service.</i>
21/41	NYPD	Assign additional crossing guards	<i>Increase funding to increase salaries and benefits for Crossing Guard positions.</i>
22/41	EDC	Expand programs for certain industries, e.g. fashion, film, advanced and food manufacturing, life sciences and healthcare	<i>Fund study to review moving the heliport at West 30th Street in the Hudson River Park.</i>
23/41	DCP	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	<i>Implement the extension of the Special West Chelsea District (SWCD) to adjacent areas. It is now time, nine years after the creation of the SWCD, for the City to follow through with the promises it made including those listed then as Points of Agreement. In particular, expand the SWCD to the West from 11th Avenue to 12th Avenue at West 26th Street to West 28th Street. The Department of City Planning must re-examine the unforeseen problems, which have emerged as development rises in the SWCD creating pressures on adjacent areas like West 14th Street that might necessitate new zonings or the expansion of the SWCD itself.</i>

24/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Modify the special permit process for off-street parking in new residential buildings. The current methodology for calculating parking for special permit findings does not reflect the realities of CD4, particularly in West Chelsea. The methodology encourages the building of parking spaces which attract more cars in an area that is already overwhelmed by traffic and has excellent mass transit.</i>
25/41	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Increase funding for NYC organics collection program</i>
26/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Increase funding for staffing to pursue with due diligence the collection of outstanding fines owed by repeat violators, and enforce unsafe and after hours construction compliance is essential. In particular, Increase the number of inspectors, community coordinators, and administrative associates.</i>
27/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Fund study on impact of exempting cultural not-for-profit organizations from real estate taxes.</i>
28/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Study the effects of the transfer of Transferable Development Rights (TDRs) from churches and other non-profit entities on their surrounding communities. Develop methods to control the development of out-of-scale buildings based on these TDRs.</i>
29/41	DCP	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs	<i>Study the rezoning of the midblock areas between Sixth and Eighth Avenues, between West 14th and West 26th Streets to control the development of out-of-scale buildings and to preserve a continuous street wall.</i>
30/41	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Expand after-hour inspections by additional funding for inspectors.</i>
31/41	DCP	Other zoning and land use requests	<i>Fund study on the impact of not requiring commercial gyms to obtain a Special Permit for Physical Culture Establishments.</i>

32/41	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Baseline funding for DSNY staff for an additional two crews to bring residential and recycling pick-up service on Thursday and Saturday equivalent to the rest of the week.</i>
33/41	DOE	Assign more non-teaching staff, e.g., to provide social, health and other services	<i>Expand and Baseline funding for Licensed School Social Workers in all schools within Manhattan School District 2</i>
34/41	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Continued Support: Expand funding for the enforcement of the regulations on illegal hotel use. Illegal hotel use continues to exist and expand in the CD4 district. The NYS Attorney General report Airbnb in the City, found that CB4 is one most trafficked neighborhoods for illegal hotel use, and of the three community districts that collectively account for 41% of Airbnbs revenue in NYC. Illegal hotel use depletes our affordable housing stock, incentivizes tenant harassment and creates quality of life issues for existing tenants. Increase OSE resources including lawyers, investigators and inspectors dedicated to bringing litigation against illegal hotel use, particularly in the most problematic districts.</i>
35/41	DEP	Investigate noise complaints at specific location	<i>Continued Support: Enhance or expand noise pollution abatement and enforcement programs: Additional resources are needed for night inspections when the noise pollution is most acute and invasive.</i>
36/41	DHS, HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance anti-eviction legal services	<i>Continued Support: Expand HRA Anti-Harassment Legal Services to Manhattan Community District 4. These important homeless prevention programs are only provided in East Harlem and Inwood neighborhoods in Manhattan. While the administration is committed to supporting legal services to prevent harassment in districts that are to be rezoned in the near future, community districts such as CD4 which was subject to three large rezonings in the past decade, need enhanced funding to mitigate the increasing amount of tenant harassment due to the increasing development pressures as a result of the rezoning. Enhanced legal services are needed to represent individual tenants and tenant associations in Manhattan CD4.</i>

37/41	NYCTA	Other transit service requests	<i>Continued Support: NYC DOT Para-Transit Service Access-A-Ride vehicles have GPS capabilities but are not always utilized due to lack of training. Continue funding for Training for all staff to utilize the GPS technology and enhanced customer service.</i>
38/41	DCLA	Support nonprofit cultural organizations	<i>Continued Support: Fund the development of study and database for accessibility of Theatre groups for accessible rehearsal space sharing for the purposes of preserving and creating affordable space for small to mid-sized art and theatrical groups, and other non-profit performance and visual art organizations. MCB4 has long avocated for the creation of a subsidy program, as part of the overall budget of the Department of Cultural Affairs as well as through the theater Sub-district. A database and the subsidy program would help ensure permanent locations for existing and displaced nonprofit arts entities.</i>
39/41	DOT	Address traffic congestion	<i>Continued Support: Continue to fund the Conversion and needed enforcement of the change of 11th Avenue to one-way southbound from 57th Street to 42nds Street Reduce congestion by re-balancing traffic between 9th and 11th Avenue as recommended in the Hells Kitchen study. Continue to fund pedestrian safety features and a protected bus lane. Make Eleventh Avenue one-way southbound from West 57th Street to West 44th Street to ensure the reliability of the new bus route.</i>
40/41	DSNY	Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up	<i>Continued Support: Continue to fund the additional DSNY staff for two additional crews to bring residential and recycling pick-up service on Thursday and Saturday equivalent to the rest of the week within the district.</i>
41/41	DHS	Expand street outreach	<i>Continued Support: Continue to expand funding for staffing and resources for street homeless outreach program</i>