

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

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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) 2022. 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, 2020.

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 FY22 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

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2. COMMUNITY DISTRICT PROFILE AND LAND USE MAP

For the most up-to-date information about your Community District's built environment, socioeconomic, and demographic conditions, please visit NYC Department of City Planning's Community District Profiles tool at communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov.

Manhattan Community District 4 - Land Use

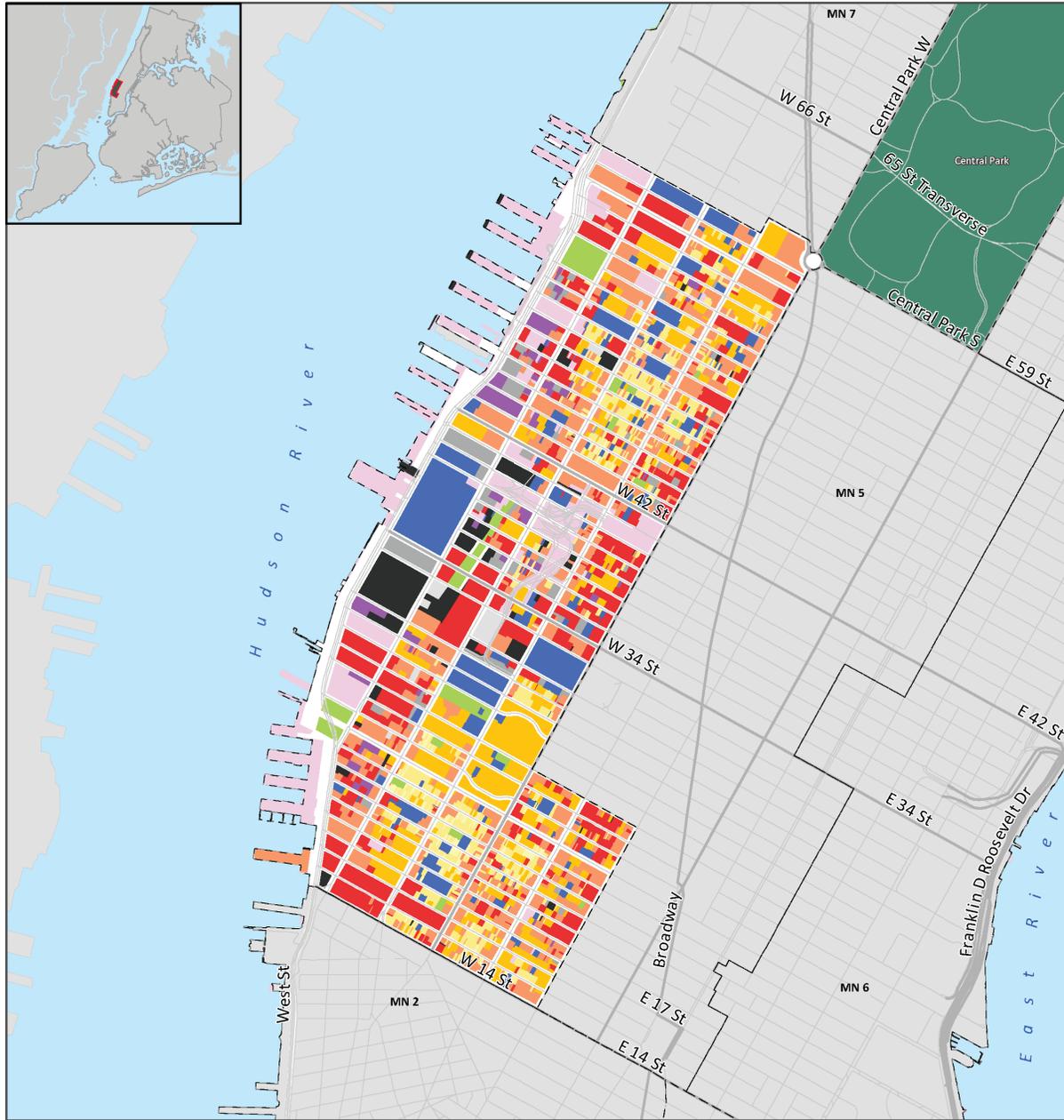
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|  MultiFamily Walkup Buildings |  Industrial/Manufacturing |  Parking Facilities | |
|  MultiFamily Elevator Buildings |  Transportation/Utility |  Vacant Land | |
|  Mixed Commercial/Residential Buildings |  Public Facilities & Institutions |  All Others or No Data | |

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3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Manhattan Community District 4

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 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, the Manhattan Tow Pound, and the northern half of Hudson River Park.

COVID-19

Covid -19 has obviously brought disastrous effects to our entire city but there is no mistaking that MCD4 has also been particularly adversely impacted. The impact to the Theater District and nearby restaurants, the overwhelming relocation of the city’s shelter population to our district and the significant cuts to programs that are needed now more than ever, like the Summer Youth Employment Program, have all negatively impacted our district.

Community District 4 Trends

The Impact of Covid-19 comes at a time when our district was already experiencing tremendous shifts. Since 2000, the population of MCD4 had grown nearly 20%, 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 began to transform formerly industrial areas, leading to a growing stock of hotels and conversions to AirBnB. Large segments of our neighborhoods are under construction. The rapid increase in land value accelerated the displacement of many long-time tenants and small business owners, while the new benefits of development have yet to materialize. 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, highlighted by the pandemic, is ensuring that new development helps produce more permanently affordable housing.

A consequence of the increased development is the enormous pressure put on existing 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, relocation of the tow pound) 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 and persistent issues facing Manhattan Community Board 4 are:

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

Relevant MCB4 Resource Material

MCB4 Affordable Housing Plan: <https://cbmanhattan.cityofnewyork.us/cb4/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2020/05/29-HHHS-Updates-to-MCB4-Affordable-Housing-Plan-no-memo.pdf>

MCB4 Community Needs Assessment: <https://cbmanhattan.cityofnewyork.us/cb4/all-committees/mcb4-community-needs/>

Recently Funded Requests

MCD4 would like to thank the administration, the elected representatives, and various agencies for their complete or initial funding to a number of requests included in MCB4's Statement of District Needs for Fiscal year 2021. Thank you for the following:

- Increasing funding for homeless outreach services. Due to the current economic crisis MCB4 believes funding needs to be expanded, however MCB4 recognizes the administration did increase Homeless Outreach staffing for this current fiscal year. (DHS)
- Continuing the completion of the design for a new park at West 48th Street and 10th Avenue as committed to during Western Rail Yard rezoning and negotiations. (DPR)
- Converting painted pedestrian islands, extensions and neck downs to permanent concrete structures (10th Avenue and 11th Avenue) including tree pits and trees. (DOT)
- Repairing or constructing new curbs or pedestrian ramps to ensure they are ADA complaint (DOT)
- The initiation an initial study to relocate the Tow Pound from Pier 76. (Mayor's Office)
- Enhancing funding to increase number of Inspectors, Community Coordinators, and Administrative Associates for MCD4 to expand after-hours inspections and aggressively pursue landlords and operators with repeat violations, enforce unsafe and after-hours compliance (DOB).
- Expanding HRA Anti-Harassment Legal Services to Manhattan Community District 4 (HRA).
- Purchase of an additional holster and Skidder to clear snow and salt from the bike lanes in District 4. (DSNY)
- Funding for P.S. 33 Cafeteria renovations. (DOE\SCA)
- Funding for Lab School bathroom renovations. (DOE\SCA)
- Funding for High School of Fashion Industries electrical upgrade for Wifi. (DOE\SCA)
- Funding for 52nd Street Project Arts and Culture programing. (DCA)

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 significant 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 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 sidewalk, traffic and roadway infrastructure which have 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 specific 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 and public transit 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

Services to support the homeless and prevent homelessness Homelessness has become a major issue in MCD4 over the last several years, and been further exacerbated by the Covid-19 ("Covid")pandemic. Large transportation hubs located within MCD4, such as the Port Authority Bus Terminal (where issues of human trafficking occur) and adjacent Penn Station are a natural gathering place for unsheltered homeless. Many sheltered and unsheltered homeless people need social services, including mental health and substance abuse treatment. This was also noted in a Community Needs Assessment of MCD4 completed in 2020 by Change Impact, in addition to the need for homelessness prevention services. As the recent Covid-related emergency relocation temporary hotel shelter sites has shown, location and size will be important to consider in potential future new facilities.

Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

Needs for Health Care and Facilities

Needs of people living with HIV/AIDS

Needs for Health Care and Facilities in Clinton and Chelsea neighborhoods have consistently been ranked 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.

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 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 MCD4 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 MCD4. The survey 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.

Additionally, the Community Needs Assessment completed in 2020 also concluded that seniors were one of the groups needing additional support specifically related to housing, finances, technology, transportation needs, translation services, and community space.

Needs for Homeless

Homelessness has become a major issue in MCD4 over the last several years, and is among the most frequently raised issues since the start of the pandemic. Large public facilities located within MCD4, such as the Port Authority Bus Terminal and Penn Station are a 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 consideration should be given to the location and size of any shelter opening in our community, as should the need for long term planning around the establishment of a family shelter.

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. MCB4's 2020 Community Needs Assessment found that families living in public housing or rent controlled units need affordable retailers such as grocery stores. 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. 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
6/37	DHS	Provide new homeless shelters or SROs	<i>DSS & DHS first must first reduce the density of the existing temporary hotel shelters in the district and then diversity the shelter population by establishing a standard family with children shelter that can provide a robust level of onsite services and programs in the district.</i>	

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/44	DHS	Expand street outreach	<i>The impact that COVID has had to New York City's economy has resulted in an increase in street homeless and people needing city services. While NYC's homelessness outreach program has received additional funds in the past, MCB4 feels during this time of crisis further expansion of funds in necessary.</i>	
3/44	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs	<i>New York City is in a homeless and housing crises. Expand funding for after placement support staff for homeless individuals and families that are selected through the DHS family preference program for the "Affordable New York" program. Many of these buildings typically do not have 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 individuals and families as they acclimate with the transition.</i>	
7/44	DHS	Expand homelessness prevention programs	<i>Expand funding for supportive services for families and adults that are currently in and soon to be exiting shelter. In particular, expand GED completion programs, job training, financial literacy, resume building and interview skills, including a continuity of social services with additional caseworkers for at least 3 months after exiting shelter.</i>	

8/44	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>
16/44	DOHMH	Provide more information and services related to STIs, HIV/AIDS, and family planning	<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>
42/44	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>

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 & Effects of the Covid-19 Pandemic

In March of 2020 the New York City Public School System was ordered to shut due to the spreading effects of Covid-19. Over a million students, thousands of teachers and school personnel were affected. The NYC Department of Education changed from a classroom teaching environment to at home virtual learning. Normal family schedules routines were upended. Thousands of devices were needed to be distributed to at home students and needs to be ongoing repair and replacement to these devices. Teachers had to transition from in person teaching to remote teaching classrooms. Additional teachers and support personnel is needed in addition to continued professional development for remote learning. Cuts to the school budget has forced drastic reduction to all programs with the biggest impact on students with special needs.

Needs for Youth and Child Welfare

Our schools are experiencing an increasing number of students living in temporary hotel shelters which are located in MCD4. 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 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 our district continues to become more diverse, efforts should be made to mirror this diversity in our schools' teaching and administrative staffs, thereby enhancing the social development of 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 also be available to all students as well as funds to make all schools ADA compliant as required by law should also be provided.

Our priority is 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.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/37	DOE	Other capital budget request for DOE	<i>Fund the purchase and distribution of additional remote learning devices. With remote learning continuing for the foreseeable future, there are still students who do not have access to a device, who are using a device that is less than ideal, and/or are facing tech challenges. This is both an immediate need as well as a long term need as schools do not expect to receive all of the devices back in working condition and therefore, will need to replenish their inventory.</i>	
5/37	DOE	Other capital budget request for DOE	<i>Many schools have set up lending libraries so that students and families may take home books to allow for independent reading and read-alouds in the home. Schools anticipate needing to continue to restock as well as have a longterm need to purchase classroom libraries in the future to replenish their inventory.</i>	
14/37	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>	
22/37	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.
24/37	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
26/37	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
28/37	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
29/37	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Arts & Craftsmanship High School: Fund 10 Smartboards for classrooms.</i>	439 West 49th Street

30/37	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
31/37	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
33/37	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
34/37	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
36/37	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>High School for Environmental Studies: Expand funding to purchase tablet/stylus sets for our teachers for use in instruction.</i>	444 West 56 Street
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

Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
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2/44	DOE	Other expense budget request for DOE	<i>As a result of COVID-19, remote learning has become a staple of the Department of Education's programming. Students, families, and teachers need additional tech support, particularly for straightforward troubleshooting that does not require a ticket to be created with the DOE Help Desk.</i>
6/44	DOE	Other expense budget request for DOE	<i>As result of COVID-19 more students are learning from home. To help students practice reading from home, we must increase the number of digital licenses available from digital libraries. Schools will benefit from digital classroom libraries on each grade level, both at and below benchmark reading levels.</i>
11/44	DYCD	Other expense budget request for DYCD	<i>Expand funding to after school programs to conduct their programming virtually and/or in a socially distanced in person environment. Schools are not able to provide all of the after school programming that they have in the past and some students have a good amount of unstructured time.</i>
29/44	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>

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Manhattan Community Board 4

Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Traffic violations and enforcement

COVID- Quality of Life and Substance Abuse Related to Increase in Homeless Population With the COVID driven homeless crisis, frequent foot patrols are needed in the district wherever homeless shelters have been added. More officers should be patrolling the streets by foot at regular intervals and be visible to the population. Also response time for complaints should be reduced and coordination with the community increased. 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 100% 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 COVID-driven homeless crisis, frequent foot patrols are needed in the district wherever homeless shelters have been added. More officers should be patrolling the streets by foot at regular intervals and be visible to the population. Also response time for complaints should be reduced and coordination with the community increased.

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. Due to the significant increase in fatalities (100%), 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 truck routes, bus routes, layover, spill-back and idling are needed, and the fact that we have four different precincts makes 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
9/37	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<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>	
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
27/44	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>	

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NYPD

**Other NYPD
facilities and
equipment
requests**

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.

CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

Manhattan Community Board 4

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

Air quality and pollution

Street sanitation in the high traffic corridors of Eighth and Ninth Avenues and along Tenth Avenue by the High Line has worsened over the last few years. Poor garbage storage and a reduction of basket collection has led to a serious pest control problem and increased litter making its way into streets, waterways, and parks. MCD4 does not have a sufficient number of DSNY staff and trash pickup trucks, despite its rapidly increasing population. Particularly now with Covid and our budgetary stresses, the Board is very concerned with the frequency of both basket and residential garbage collection. Recycling needs to be maintained, and sites for commercial garbage storage must be developed wherever possible off-street to be used until shortly before pick-up.

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, and now with outdoor dining becoming permanent, the problem of street noise and pollution from restaurants is critical as is the potentially conflicting uses of the sidewalks for eating venues and pedestrian walkways.

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
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
5/44	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>The service cuts to DSNY corner basket pick up must be reinstated to prior FY2021 levels of service and the total amount must be baselined in the 2022 fiscal year budget.</i>	
12/44	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Monitor areas where residential trash is piling up, likely due to shifts in residential occupancy patterns resulting from the pandemic. Dedicate additional DSNY resources (more residential pickups) to those problem areas, in order to preserve sidewalk space and maintain sidewalk sanitation.</i>	
17/44	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Increase funding for NYC organics collection program</i>	
18/44	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Restore frequency of mechanical broom sweeping to levels prior to June 2020 cuts. During winter, keep streets and bike lanes safe by ensuring that year-to-year budget cuts to snow removal do not adversely impact service levels.</i>	

20/44	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>
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41/44	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>
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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 continues to be unmet. More permanently affordable units for individuals and families of different income bands is necessary. 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, including many units of affordable housing. 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.

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
2/37	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<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
3/37	NYCHA	Other public housing upgrades or renovations requests	<i>The elevators in all of the NYCHA Developments within the CD4 boundaries (Chelsea/Elliott Houses, Fulton Houses, and Harborview Terrace) have a number of malfunctioning and routinely broken elevators. This causes great hardship to residents and has been a long-standing budget request from a number of the NYCHA Tenant Associations. In 2018 there were about 44,000 elevator outages, an almost 16% rise since 2012. Elevators which continually break down must be replaced (rather than serviced) for the safety and well being of the residents.</i>	
8/37	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<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
10/37	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, new building entrance and emergency exit doors, and retiling of all building common areas.</i>	525 West 55th Street
11/37	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades	<i>Fulton Houses (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Install security cameras on the roof of all buildings.</i>	
12/37	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

17/37	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	<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
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4/44	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	<i>NYCHA elevators are frequently broken and taken out of service, causing great hardships to the residents. In 2018 there were about 44,000 elevator outages which is an unacceptable performance level. NYCHA has unfilled skilled elevator mechanic and mechanic's assistant positions which should be filled with trained individuals. More skilled mechanic positions should be created to allow servicing to meet the needs of these buildings and their residents.</i>
14/44	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>
15/44	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Provide additional funding for Dept. of Buildings enforcement inspectors for non-compliant ADA entrances.</i>
23/44	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Increase funding for enforcement staffing to pursue due diligence with 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>
24/44	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>

28/44	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Expand funding for additional after-hour inspectors.</i>
31/44	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>
32/44	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>
33/44	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>
34/44	EDC	Other expense budget request for EDC	<i>Fund study on impact of exempting cultural not-for-profit organizations from real estate taxes.</i>
35/44	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>
40/44	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, incentives 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 (safer crossings, sidewalk management, Open Streets, etc.)

COVID With less traffic, drivers have significantly increased their speed on our avenues. Speed cameras should be installed on all avenues to make sure vehicles and motorcycles respect the 25 MPH speed limit. 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. The 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 and 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

Pedestrian safety continues to be a dominant concern that is still not properly addressed. Due to insufficient capacity and 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. 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. Crosstown bike lanes are more popular and more dangerous than ever; protected bike lanes are needed in order to adequately protect riders. 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.

Needs for Transit Services

Bus service continues to deteriorate, and more dedicated bus lanes are needed on 9th Avenue and 42nd Street. With numerous high-rise constructions already completed on the far west side, building the West 41st Street subway station is becoming imperative to reduce the proliferation of jitneys 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. And, 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
4/37	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Fulfill the city's commitment to install ADA compliant ramps at intersections - Dyer Ave and West 34th Street - North side of West 42 Street and Dyer Avenue. In addition, install up to 30 audible pedestrian signals, especially at West 15th Street and 9th avenue.</i>	
7/37	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 10th Ave
13/37	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 worn off.</i>	
21/37	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	<i>Convert painted pedestrian islands, extensions and neck downs to permanent concrete structures (10th and 11th Avenues) including treat 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>	
27/37	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 55th St
32/37	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 West 35th St

Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
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9/44	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	<i>Fix 31 dangerous intersections in the district where vehicles conflict with pedestrians and bicycles.</i>	
10/44	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Expand Funding for all Open Street Programs. In particular, programs and supplies that provide support to restaurants, art and cultural organizations, and community partners that participate in the city's Open Streets programs. These groups look to safely socialize and enliven the streetscape. In addition, during colder weather months, funding is needed for groups and organizations to obtain heaters, bubbles and or other protective materials.</i>	
13/44	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 34th St
19/44	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 13th Street
22/44	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 44th St
26/44	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>Install 4 sidewalk extensions per the study completed by the Community Board/and traffic engineers.</i>	
36/44	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>Fund Study on pedestrian safety at 11th Avenue from West 20th Street to West 24th Street.</i>	11th Avenue West 20th Street West 20th Street
37/44	DOT	Other expense traffic improvements requests	<i>Install curb extensions on Hudson Boulevard</i>	Hudson Boulevard West 33 Street West 36 Street

39/44	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>
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44/44	DOT	Provide new bike lanes	<i>Study new protected crosstown bike lanes in midtown - between West 33rd Street and West 36th Street.</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 a number of the parks in our District have received 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. 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 centers and job centers.

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
15/37	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate Chelsea Park, at West 28th Street and 10th Avenue, field and running track.</i>	West 27 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
16/37	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	<i>Fund the needed elevator and roof repair of Columbus Branch Library at 742 10th Ave.</i>	742 10th Avenue
18/37	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>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.</i>	
19/37	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Resurfacing of DeWitt Clinton Dog Run. The Dog Run is in need of resurfacing in order to be of use to the community.</i>	
20/37	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Increase funding to an additional \$1 Million to renovate Penn South Basket Ball Court</i>	West 26 Street 8/9 Avenues
23/37	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>	
25/37	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
35/37	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	<i>Increase funding for fitness recreation equipment.</i>	

37/37	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>	
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 48th St

Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
21/44	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>	
25/44	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
43/44	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 advocated 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>	

6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS

Other Capital Requests

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

Other Expense Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
38/44	Other	Other expense budget request	<i>Relocate Link Kiosks from 8th Avenue to 10th Avenue to improve public safety.</i>	

7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

Capital Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/37	DOE	Other capital budget request for DOE	<i>Fund the purchase and distribution of additional remote learning devices. With remote learning continuing for the foreseeable future, there are still students who do not have access to a device, who are using a device that is less than ideal, and/or are facing tech challenges. This is both an immediate need as well as a long term need as schools do not expect to receive all of the devices back in working condition and therefore, will need to replenish their inventory.</i>	
2/37	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<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
3/37	NYCHA	Other public housing upgrades or renovations requests	<i>The elevators in all of the NYCHA Developments within the CD4 boundaries (Chelsea/Elliott Houses, Fulton Houses, and Harborview Terrace) have a number of malfunctioning and routinely broken elevators. This causes great hardship to residents and has been a long-standing budget request from a number of the NYCHA Tenant Associations. In 2018 there were about 44,000 elevator outages, an almost 16% rise since 2012. Elevators which continually break down must be replaced (rather than serviced) for the safety and well being of the residents.</i>	
4/37	DOT	Repair or construct new curbs or pedestrian ramps	<i>Fulfill the city's commitment to install ADA compliant ramps at intersections - Dyer Ave and West 34th Street - North side of West 42 Street and Dyer Avenue. In addition, install up to 30 audible pedestrian signals, especially at West 15th Street and 9th avenue.</i>	
5/37	DOE	Other capital budget request for DOE	<i>Many schools have set up lending libraries so that students and families may take home books to allow for independent reading and read-alouds in the home. Schools anticipate needing to continue to restock as well as have a longterm need to purchase classroom libraries in the future to replenish their inventory.</i>	

6/37	DHS	Provide new homeless shelters or SROs	<i>DSS & DHS first must first reduce the density of the existing temporary hotel shelters in the district and then diversify the shelter population by establishing a standard family with children shelter that can provide a robust level of onsite services and programs in the district.</i>	
7/37	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 10th Ave
8/37	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<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
9/37	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<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>	
10/37	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, new building entrance and emergency exit doors, and retiling of all building common areas.</i>	525 West 55th Street
11/37	NYCHA	Install security cameras or make other safety upgrades	<i>Fulton Houses (421 West 17th Street New York, NY 10011): Install security cameras on the roof of all buildings.</i>	
12/37	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
13/37	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>	

14/37	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>	
15/37	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Renovate Chelsea Park, at West 28th Street and 10th Avenue, field and running track.</i>	West 27 Street, Manhattan, New York, NY
16/37	NYPL	Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library	<i>Fund the needed elevator and roof repair of Columbus Branch Library at 742 10th Ave.</i>	742 10th Avenue
17/37	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>	
18/37	DPR	New equipment for maintenance	<i>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.</i>	
19/37	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Resurfacing of DeWitt Clinton Dog Run. The Dog Run is in need of resurfacing in order to be of use to the community.</i>	
20/37	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	<i>Increase funding to an additional \$1 Million to renovate Penn South Basket Ball Court</i>	West 26 Street 8/9 Avenues
21/37	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	<i>Convert painted pedestrian islands, extensions and neck downs to permanent concrete structures (10th and 11th Avenues) including treat 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>	

22/37	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.
23/37	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>	
24/37	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
25/37	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
26/37	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
27/37	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 55th St
28/37	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
29/37	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>Arts & Craftsmanship High School: Fund 10 Smartboards for classrooms.</i>	439 West 49th Street
30/37	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
31/37	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

32/37	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 West 35th St
33/37	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
34/37	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
35/37	DPR	Provide new type and/or specific type of program	<i>Increase funding for fitness recreation equipment.</i>	
36/37	SCA	Renovate or upgrade a high school	<i>High School for Environmental Studies: Expand funding to purchase tablet/stylus sets for our teachers for use in instruction.</i>	444 West 56 Street
37/37	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>	
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	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	HPD	Other affordable housing programs requests	<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	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	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 48th St
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

Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/44	DHS	Expand street outreach	<i>The impact that COVID has had to New York City's economy has resulted in an increase in street homeless and people needing city services. While NYC's homelessness outreach program has received additional funds in the past, MCB4 feels during this time of crisis further expansion of funds in necessary.</i>	
2/44	DOE	Other expense budget request for DOE	<i>As a result of COVID-19, remote learning has become a staple of the Department of Education's programming. Students, families, and teachers need additional tech support, particularly for straightforward troubleshooting that does not require a ticket to be created with the DOE Help Desk.</i>	
3/44	HRA	Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs	<i>New York City is in a homeless and housing crises. Expand funding for after placement support staff for homeless individuals and families that are selected through the DHS family preference program for the "Affordable New York" program. Many of these buildings typically do not have 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 individuals and families as they acclimate with the transition.</i>	
4/44	NYCHA	Other public housing maintenance, staffing and management requests	<i>NYCHA elevators are frequently broken and taken out of service, causing great hardships to the residents. In 2018 there were about 44,000 elevator outages which is an unacceptable performance level. NYCHA has unfilled skilled elevator mechanic and mechanic's assistant positions which should be filled with trained individuals. More skilled mechanic positions should be created to allow servicing to meet the needs of these buildings and their residents.</i>	
5/44	DSNY	Provide more frequent litter basket collection	<i>The service cuts to DSNY corner basket pick up must be reinstated to prior FY2021 levels of service and the total amount must be baselined in the 2022 fiscal year budget.</i>	

6/44	DOE	Other expense budget request for DOE	<i>As result of COVID-19 more students are learning from home. To help students practice reading from home, we must increase the number of digital licenses available from digital libraries. Schools will benefit from digital classroom libraries on each grade level, both at and below benchmark reading levels.</i>
7/44	DHS	Expand homelessness prevention programs	<i>Expand funding for supportive services for families and adults that are currently in and soon to be exiting shelter. In particular, expand GED completion programs, job training, financial literacy, resume building and interview skills, including a continuity of social services with additional caseworkers for at least 3 months after exiting shelter.</i>
8/44	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>
9/44	DOT	Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming	<i>Fix 31 dangerous intersections in the district where vehicles conflict with pedestrians and bicycles.</i>
10/44	DOT	Other expense budget request for DOT	<i>Expand Funding for all Open Street Programs. In particular, programs and supplies that provide support to restaurants, art and cultural organizations, and community partners that participate in the city's Open Streets programs. These groups look to safely socialize and enliven the streetscape. In addition, during colder weather months, funding is needed for groups and organizations to obtain heaters, bubbles and or other protective materials.</i>
11/44	DYCD	Other expense budget request for DYCD	<i>Expand funding to after school programs to conduct their programming virtually and/or in a socially distanced in person environment. Schools are not able to provide all of the after school programming that they have in the past and some students have a good amount of unstructured time.</i>

12/44	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Monitor areas where residential trash is piling up, likely due to shifts in residential occupancy patterns resulting from the pandemic. Dedicate additional DSNY resources (more residential pickups) to those problem areas, in order to preserve sidewalk space and maintain sidewalk sanitation.</i>	
13/44	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 34th St
14/44	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>	
15/44	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Provide additional funding for Dept. of Buildings enforcement inspectors for non-compliant ADA entrances.</i>	
16/44	DOHMH	Provide more information and services related to STIs, HIV/AIDS, and family planning	<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>	
17/44	DSNY	Provide or expand NYC organics collection program	<i>Increase funding for NYC organics collection program</i>	

18/44	DSNY	Other cleaning requests	<i>Restore frequency of mechanical broom sweeping to levels prior to June 2020 cuts. During winter, keep streets and bike lanes safe by ensuring that year-to-year budget cuts to snow removal do not adversely impact service levels.</i>	
19/44	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 13th Street
20/44	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>	
21/44	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>	
22/44	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 44th St
23/44	DOB	Expand code enforcement	<i>Increase funding for enforcement staffing to pursue due diligence with 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>	

24/44	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>	
25/44	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
26/44	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>Install 4 sidewalk extensions per the study completed by the Community Board/and traffic engineers.</i>	
27/44	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>	
28/44	DOB	Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)	<i>Expand funding for additional after-hour inspectors.</i>	
29/44	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>	

30/44	NYPD	Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests	<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>	
31/44	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>	
32/44	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>	
33/44	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>	
34/44	EDC	Other expense budget request for EDC	<i>Fund study on impact of exempting cultural not-for-profit organizations from real estate taxes.</i>	
35/44	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>	
36/44	DOT	Other traffic improvement requests	<i>Fund Study on pedestrian safety at 11th Avenue from West 20th Street to West 24th Street.</i>	11th Avenue West 20th Street West 20th Street

37/44	DOT	Other expense traffic improvements requests	<i>Install curb extensions on Hudson Boulevard</i>	Hudson Boulevard West 33 Street West 36 Street
38/44	Other	Other expense budget request	<i>Relocate Link Kiosks from 8th Avenue to 10th Avenue to improve public safety.</i>	
39/44	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>	
40/44	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, incentives 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>	
41/44	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>	

42/44	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>
43/44	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 advocated 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>
44/44	DOT	Provide new bike lanes	<i>Study new protected crosstown bike lanes in midtown - between West 33rd Street and West 36th Street.</i>
