



Fiscal Year 2017 Statement of Community District Needs and
Community Board Budget Requests
for
Brooklyn Community Board 18



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INTRODUCTION

The annual Statements of Community District Needs (CD Needs Statements) and the Community Board Budget Requests (Budget Requests) are Charter requirements and an integral part of the City's budget process. When developed through informed planning and careful consideration, CD Needs Statements and Budget Requests can play an important role in consultations of community boards with agencies, elected officials and other key stakeholders on a broad range of local planning and budget priorities. These tools also provide a valuable public resource for neighborhood planning and research purposes, and are used by a wide audience seeking information about New York City's diverse communities.

This year, for the first time, community boards electronically submitted a CD Needs Statement combined with their Budget Requests. The goal of these improvements is to simplify preparation of both documents for the community boards and to make the information community boards provide more easily accessible for City agencies and other stakeholders. Simplified and more efficient processes will allow all parties involved in the budget process to consider budget decisions more thoroughly, with better results for all New Yorkers.

This report represents Brooklyn Community Board 18's Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the Community Board which is displayed in italics.

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 them into a browser.

1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

Brooklyn Community Board 18

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2. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Brooklyn Community Board 18 provided the following overview of their district:

Referred to as "The Gateway District" -- the neighborhoods that comprise Community Board #18 have a rich history from the earliest days of the Canarsie Indians to the polyglot communities that exist within our borders today. These neighborhoods have been characterized as some of the finest places in New York to live in and raise a family, start a business, or invest in future development. The hallmark of Community Board #18 has, and continues to be, our network of volunteer, civic, parent, religious, and service organizations. This harmonious and constant interchange between neighborhoods, groups, and residents has built the very foundation that keeps the fabric of our communities stable while planning for future growth and development.

Covering one of the largest geographical land areas of any Community Board in the City, a "snap shot" look captures the heart and the spirit of Brooklyn ... multi-ethnic, middle class neighborhoods with a solid tax base of single family, multi-family, mid-rise buildings with a scattering of condominiums and cooperative development. Additionally, within our boundaries, are several high-rise buildings including housing for senior citizens and the homeless and three (3) N.Y.C. Housing Authority (NYCHA) Projects, Bayview, Breukelen, and Glenwood, which require a "boots on the ground" commitment to rehabilitation, full upgrading and extensive modernization.

Floyd Bennett Field, located in our district, became part of Gateway National Recreation Area in 1972. It is an historic treasure -- the first municipal airfield and an aerial hub for fighter planes during World War II, where the sounds of the departing aircraft of Wiley Post, Amelia Earhart, and Douglas "wrong-way" Corrigan stand as a living testament to times past. Views from the control tower at Floyd Bennett Field gave clear vision to the criss-crossing runways of New York's first municipal airport. The field is dotted with abandoned buildings and structures, dilapidated roads, ruinous hangars, and hangars housing a Transco/NationalGrid meter and regulator station for a two-phase gas pipeline. The field's coast is a polluted cemetery for destroyed boats and debris. In short - It is the disgrace of Gateway! The dream of a restored Floyd Bennett Field for recreational use with water access must not be lost. The restoration of the boat docks at Floyd Bennett Field and at Canarsie Pier would allow for the use of the on-again, off-again use of water taxis at peak times to facilitate the movement of participants of large outdoor events as well as visitors to the Park, the islands off the coast of Canarsie, and the sports entertainment complex at Floyd Bennett Field. It would enable connection with other parts of the borough and city. Mayor de Blasio announced a Five Borough Plan for Ferry Service. The \$55 million Capital Plan includes neighborhoods in all the boroughs as a link to existing ferry service to Manhattan. The service for South Brooklyn would be Bay Ridge, with no provisions made to link either Canarsie Pier or Floyd Bennett, both of which have significant off-street commuter parking capabilities and would service the vastly underserved commuter needs of the neighborhoods of Community Board #18. The Ferry Plan needs a major rethinking. Our Community Board must be included as part of the "new" system.

We continue to look to the de Blasio Administration for a comprehensive program of long term infrastructure improvement and reconstruction recognizing that our shore communities are still re-building and recovering from the effects of "Sandy." Long range storm protection remains one of our top priorities. It is our combined goal to bring Jamaica Bay water quality to levels that meet and, hopefully, exceed Federal standards for recreational use and ultimately preserve this lush, natural resource.

3. MAIN ISSUES

As part of this year's process, community boards were asked to select from a list the three most pressing issues facing their district. Brooklyn Community Board 18 identified the following three issues:

- *Parks*
- *Resiliency*
- *Street conditions*

Brooklyn Community Board 18 provided the following explanation for their choices:

On October 29, 2012, in the wake of super-storm "Sandy," the East Coast saw the destruction of whole communities, businesses and infrastructure. Our neighborhoods were no exception. Bergen Beach, Canarsie, Gerritsen Beach/Plumb Beach, Marine Park and Mill Island suffering wide-spread damage ... double-digit millions in property damage ... untold personal loss ... businesses destroyed and disrupted ... lives lost and families uprooted. The very fabric of our neighborhoods and road conditions were torn apart. Sewers and water delivery systems must be upgraded so catch basins and storm sewera can properly drain the roadways during heavy rain storms. Resiliency programs for our waterfront communities are necessary to prevent future flooding disasters for our environment and quality of life for our communities and residents. The park areas within Community Board #18 provide recreational and cultural outlets for all ages, and are truly a valued natural resource that must be protected and maintained. Marine Park comprising 798 acres, and Seaview Park comprising 540 acres, are regional facilities that serve a large population outside our local neighborhoods. Within our Community Board are numerous small "vest pocket" parks that are in a state of neglect. The maintenance and upkeep of our parks and playgrounds continues to remain a major area of concern due to insufficient staffing and funding. The large geographic area of our Community Board and its residential neighborhoods are the "home" to the largest street tree population in the Borough. Our tree population was decimated by "Sandy." We encourage strategies for additional conservation protection and beautification programs and to include sorely needed maintenance provisions. Some parks and playgrounds in our District are in various stages of design, scope and reconstruction. Several of our smaller parks and playgrounds require reconstruction or "in-house" spruce-up. We urge that these projects as well as increased staffing be addressed through the Capital and Expense Budget. Our street system was, in most part, build on unsupported land fill. The streets and road bed is old and in need of full reconstruction ... not just repair ... which is nothing short of a "band aid to control arterial bleeding." They are in various stages of collapse and require a staged reconstruction plan.

4. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS

Community Boards were asked to identify their district's needs related to the following seven policy areas:

- Health Care and Human Services;
- Youth, Education and Child Welfare;
- Public Safety;
- Core Infrastructure and City Services;
- Land Use, Housing and Economic Development;
- Transportation; and
- Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities.

Based on the needs identified, community boards then had the opportunity to make budget requests to address these needs.

The following sections describe the specific needs and budget requests of Brooklyn Community Board 18 for FY 2017.

4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Programs, services or facilities for seniors

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

Community Board #18 is the "host" to one of the largest and ever-growing senior populations in the City. Our system of senior centers and day programs is grossly inadequate. We need the centers, that are currently being run as DFTA Centers, to be upgraded and at least two (2) full service centers to be built. Full staffing of Drop-in Day Centers and a structured program of outreach to shut-in seniors would help to fill a growing need. Additionally, there is no one-stop location where a senior can go for help and direction. Our idea of a senior citizen advocate housed at the Community Board just makes good old "common sense."

Community District Needs and Requests

4.1.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The need for a health care delivery system is always a pressing concern. There is only one Community Hospital located within our boundaries. We suggest that free-standing Urgent Centers be opened ... not as an extension of the Hospital Emergency Room ... but as a place where people can get quality "fast tracked" care in a non-hospital setting. Centers, such as this, are opening across the city, functioning well, and providing quality ambulatory care.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.1. Health Care and Human Services Needs and Requests

4.1.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Facilities and Programming for Older New Yorkers

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Our senior population needs the Administration to provide a "boots-on-the ground" commitment to rehabilitate, upgrade and perform an extensive modernization of our facilities and services. These facilities will provide sorely needed recreational and rehabilitative activities for our seniors to live long and productive lives. They will also be able to provide quality intergenerational programs and activities for our energetic youth population.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.1.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.1.4. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Services and Programming for Low-Income and Vulnerable New Yorkers

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.2. Youth, Education and Child Welfare Needs and Requests

Main Issue

After school programs

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

The Board continues to direct its attention to the needs of our area youth by developing and supporting broad outreach after-school and evening recreational, cultural, and educational programs within the community.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.2.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Educational Facilities and Programs

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

We are currently working with our local elected officials, community and youth organizations, to secure funds for special programs designated to address identified youth problems. By reaching students with vitally important services, ranging from mental health support to homework help and family counseling, Community Schools will help at-risk children succeed in the classroom and beyond. We urge the Administration to continue to support collaboration between administrators, parents, and teachers for all students.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.2.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Services for Children and Child Welfare

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

There is an increasing need for child day care services as well as after-school programs. Both parents working as well as single-parent households created a desperate need for day care as well as after school activities for our youth.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.2.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Public safety facilities, e.g. precinct or fire houses

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

The Administration must establish stronger enforcement with severe penalties for operation of licensed, unlicensed, and "dollar" vans illegally operating and parking in our communities. Rather than develop a strategy to shift the illegal parking and van problems from block-to-block we must adhere to a strong commitment of interminable rigorous enforcement of these "quality of life" violations.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.3.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Policing and Crime

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The need for a new 63rd Precinct Stationhouse continues to be an absolute necessity. Although the Department allocates funds for rehabilitation of the antiquated Stationhouse to meet staffing needs and patrol requirements, the poor conditions and problems still exist. Funding must be set aside for relocation. Since the existence of Community Boards in 1977, we have stressed the need for a New Modern 63rd Precinct House. Each year the Department never includes funding into its Capital Plan. The new Capital Budget, with its excess "dollars" means that this year the project can be funded. We are guardingly optimistic that our wish over these last thirty-eight (38) years becomes a reality. Modern, adequately sized police precincts are essential to good policing. We urge the NYPD to aggressively explore the acquisition of city-owned properties. Where development costs would be minimized ... new Police Precincts Do Not need to be centralized in a community ... with the communications available today location is secondary to space needs!!

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Policing and Crime (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
08	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</i>	<i>Select Site for 63rd Police Precinct. Renovation is impractical and was disapproved by Police Department's capital planning. Consequently, new funding is required.</i>	<i>63rd Police Precinct</i>	<i>Council Member Alan Maisel Assembly Member Helene Weinstein; Assembly Member Roxanne Persaud Marine Park Civic Association</i>

Expense Requests related to Policing and Crime (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
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4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

4.3.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Policing and Crime

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
03	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</i>	<i>Purchase of truck-sized tire booting devices for the 63rd and 69th Police Precincts. To combat the illegal parking of large 18-wheeler trucks and car carriers in the neighborhoods.</i>	<i>Purchase of truck-sized tire booting devices for the 63rd and 69th Police Precincts.</i>	
05	NYPD	<i>NYPD staff and training resources</i>	<i>Assign additional uniformed officers</i>	<i>Increase funding for Additional Personnel - 63rd & 69th Police Precincts Funding request for 20 police officers for 63rd Precinct and 20 police officers for 69th Precinct is necessary to perform increased mandated police responsibilities.. Police officers are necessary to patrol the heavily populated shopping areas, including the vicinity of the Kings Plaza Shopping Center, and the schools to enforce parking regulations for illegally parked and double parked vehicles.</i>	<i>63rd & 69th Police Precincts</i>	

4.3. Public Safety Needs and Requests

4.3.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Emergency Services

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

We are optimistic that funds will be increased to establish an even greater emergency service presence for the improvement of service deliveries to battle fires, reduce crime, and enhance quality of life conditions within our Community Board area. Fire protection in a residential community, comprising tens of thousands of frame dwellings, is obviously of paramount concern. The theory used by the Fire Department for "manning" decisions includes statistics that do not include literally thousands of homes and tens of thousands of area residents that have become part of the Board area since that statistical information was compiled decades ago. Consequently, analysis of the Department's decision should be the subject of "up-to-date" review not budgetary constraints. We urge the Mayor's Community Affairs Unit (CAU), the Office of Citywide Event Coordination and Management (CECM), and the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DOITT) to continue the strong working relationship between their centralized staff and our Community Board to assist in the coordination and approval of Street Activity Permits and the resolution of community and telecommunication issues and problems. We commend their constant expansion of internet access and support to our Board. The introduction of the multi-functional high tech kiosks is an important step in the introduction of a first-of-its-kind communication network offering up free Wi-Fi, phone calls, charging station for mobile phones, along with a host of other functions. The Community Board has expressed concern about their placement and strongly suggest that they be placed in heavily travelled transit intersections and not be placed near any school or park. Data report listings posted on NYC.gov was an important step toward sharing 311 Citizen Service Center complaint collection data. However, we continue to stress the need to be informed about specific complaint collection data encompassing location, tracking and resolution. Interaction and sharing of information between city agencies and the Community Board will continue to enhance service delivery and further our efforts to improve the quality of life for our residents and the business community. The 911 System is experiencing serious problems and must be overhauled.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Emergency Services (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
04	FDNY	FDNY programs and staffing	Provide more firefighters or EMS workers	Increase Funding for Additional Personnel -- FDNY Engine Companies #257, #309, and # 323. Fund additional personnel to provide adequate fire protection for a Community Board area that has increased housing stock and is plagued throughout with substandard, illegal apartment conversions.	FDNY Engine Companies #257, #309, and # 323	

4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Water runoff and flooding

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

The New York City Panel on Climate Change (NPCC) uses global climate models and a range of scenarios to develop climate projections relating to future population, economic growth, and technological change. Future 100 year Flood Zones clearly states that by the 2020's there is an expected 10' sea level rise. The NPCC projects that by mid-century, sea levels could rise up to 30 inches posing a significant threat to New York City's low-lying neighborhoods, not just during storms, but also in the case of tidal flooding. Additionally, the NPCC predicts that there will be an increase in the most intense hurricanes occurring in the North Atlantic Basin. By 2050 New York City could see as many 90 degree days as Birmingham, Alabama and heat waves could triple in frequency.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.4.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

In the wake of Super-Storm Sandy... After the storm press releases were issued, promises were made and commitments were assured. Nevertheless, those commitments and promises have had little, if any, tangible effects. Billions of dollars were sent to the City and State from the Federal Government. Sad to say after thirty-four (34) months, many of our communities including those now sitting in the "A" Zone of the newly drawn Flood Zone Maps, have not seen any of these dollars or productive re-build programs. The "Build It Back" Program has been, and continues to be, an absolute failure. As the Bloomberg Administration drew to a close after fourteen (14) months, not one single dollar of program relief was seen or spent in our community to repair or rebuild. Once again, loads of press releases, but no results. The de Blasio Administration was handed a bureaucratic mess. Only now have they been able to start the process of making actual awards to begin the rebuilding and repair process. It's still slow and bogged down in administrative "red tape." Public Forums funded by the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery - New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program, and the Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations, are still being held throughout communities impacted by "Sandy" to rebuild and become more resilient through innovative community-driven plans.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Capital Requests related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
23	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Provide new or expand green infrastructure, e.g. greenbelts, bio swales</i>	<i>Construct bio swales with flowers and shrubberies along the eastern right-of-way of Flatbush Avenue along the Toys R Us building and the city-owned lot fronting Four Sparrows Marsh, north of the Westbound Belt Parkway ramp onto Flatbush Avenue. Flatbush Avenue just north of the Belt Parkway is the gateway to Community Board 18 neighborhoods and to Southern Brooklyn. This section of roadway is without a storm water filter system, thus storm water runoff from the road flows</i>	<i>The eastern right-of-way of Flatbush Avenue along the Toys R Us building and the city-owned lot fronting Four Sparrows Marsh, north of the Westbound Belt Parkway</i>	

4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

4.4.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
29	DEP	Sewage and flooding	Build new, expand or repair storm sewers	Now that we are ready to mark the third anniversary of Super Storm "Sandy," we see the morass of red tape starting to clear as awards are being made, destroyed properties being sold by the State and actual funds being distributed. We also see that our storm sewer system was not built to handle the capacity necessary to alleviate flooding. Upgrades are necessary especially along our southern communities.	unfiltered into Mill Basin. The construction of bios wales presents an opportunity to both beautify Flatbush Avenue as well as filter storm water. ramp onto Flatbush Avenue. Flatbush Avenue just north of the Belt Parkway.	Council Member Alan Maisel Council Member Jumaane Williams; Mill Island Civic Association Bergen Beach Civic Association

4.4. Core Infrastructure and City Services Needs and Requests

4.4.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Sanitation Services

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

BK18 supervision and personnel have been exemplary in their willingness and demonstrated ability to work with the Board in developing the maximum potential with their limited manpower and old equipment to deliver quality service to a community experiencing ever-increasing population growth and needs as they implement further source separation and recycling programs. Increased manpower is also needed to maintain the numerous center malls along our roadways. Neglected and unattended they grow into breeding grounds for vermin and illegal dumping creating a community nuisance and safety hazard. Lot cleaning, attention to the ASP cleaning schedule and the quick removal of the illegally placed clothing bins is a top priority. Stronger laws and enforcement with severe penalties for the placement of illegal "Clothing Donation Bins" placed throughout our communities and on private property parking lots have been put in place. Develop a strategy to "tag" the bins only to have them shifted to another must also adhere to a strong commitment of interminable rigorous enforcement of this "quality of life" violation. Snow removal is obviously one of the top priorities for the Department. After the thaw we are inundated with sink and pot holes caused by the road salt. We urge the City to move forward with the use of less corrosive snow removal materials. Recycling continues to be another top priority ... a daunting challenge in our residential community which requires more outreach and education of area residents and homeowners.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Sanitation Services (as provided by the Community Board)

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Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
06	DSNY	Street and lot cleaning	Other cleaning requests	Increase funding for Additional Personnel -- Department of Sanitation. Fund additional personnel for Brooklyn District 18 to provide increased maintenance, basket collection, and enforcement responsibilities.		Council Member Alan Maisel Council Member Jumaane Williams; Marine Park Civic Association Mill Basin Civic Association

4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Zoning review and enforcement, and code enforcement

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

We urge DCP to develop a new text amendment that would strengthen rules and zoning regulations for the placement of communication towers and poles, especially in residential neighborhoods, on city-owned housing projects and commercial properties. The outdated Federal Telecommunications Law of 1996 does not restrict the placement of cellular transmission devices based on health concerns since no hazard has been established. The Board of Standards and Appeals Special Permits for non-accessory towers in residential districts, ZR 73-30, only looks at the effect of the utility on the "privacy, quiet, light, and air of the neighborhood."

Community District Needs and Requests

4.5.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Land Use

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

On June 30, 2009 the City Council approved the DCP ULURP Application for lower density and contextual zoning map changes for the Canarsie neighborhood. Community Board #18 unanimously supported the ULURP Application. That text amendment has set the standard for future development. We support further review by DCP and urge new efforts be made to address the population growth and the inequities in R-32A and R-4 Zoning Districts which cover large areas of our Board. It is the sense of this Board that all of the communities within our Board be rezoned to create a rational up-to-date zoning plan that reflects natural residential, commercial, and manufacturing boundaries. The current land use is largely an artifact of historical urbanization. Future land use must be controlled by zoning, public policy, and land use regulations intended to promote activities appropriate to preserve the neighborhood character and infrastructure for those who live and work there. There is an old adage ... "don't wish for something, you may get it!" The de Blasio Administration has advanced Zoning Text changes that, on the whole, may not appear to be of concern for communities such as ours which are currently low-density zoning districts. The Amendment, if passed, "opens the door" for developers that are currently "warehousing" properties to build as-of-right apartment buildings "hiding" behind the "new" zoning text that would allow high density housing. The development scheme, if allowed, would "trash" all of our protections for low-rise one and two family home communities, with adequate street parking. Our Board, the local civic and homeowner associations, our elected officials stand united in preventing the Zoning Text Amendment from being adopted. The Public Hearing process will begin shortly. Our Board intends to be very vocal in its opposition to its implementation. A partner in the planning process is the Board of Standard and Appeals (BSA). BSA's original mission was to provide a relief valve for property owners in those rare circumstances where existing zoning regulations prohibited them from reasonably developing their property. BSA is frequently misused to circumvent and twist the spirit and intent of the Zoning Resolution.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Land Use (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
02	DCP	Zoning and land use	Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future	Funding Department City Planning to evaluate our communities of Marine Park and Mill Island to better match the zoning to reflect current and future housing conditions and needs.	Marine Park Community -- E/Flatbush Avenue; W/Nostrand	Council Member Alan Maisel Council Member Jumaane

4.5. Land Use, Housing and Economic Development Needs and Requests

4.5.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Land Use

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
			<i>neighborhood needs</i>		<i>Avenue; N/Avenue V; S/Flatlands Avenue Mill Island Community - E/East 66 Street,; W /Mill Avenue; N/Avenue U; S/National Drive</i>	<i>Williams; Mill Island Civic Association Marine Park Civic Association</i>

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
10	DOB	<i>Building code and zoning enforcement</i>	<i>Expand code enforcement</i>	<i>Hire Additional Inspectors -- Department of Buildings. There is a drastic need for inspectors to enforce building requirement compliance and occupancy Department of Buildings code compliance.</i>		

4.5.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Housing Needs and Programming

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.5.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Economic Development

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Roadway maintenance

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

Transportation needs, particularly total reconstruction, contract resurfacing, and scheduled repair of the roadways within the Board area, presents an ever increasing challenge. Canarsie and surrounding communities were built on landfill that rapidly deteriorated and require aggressive street and sewer reconstructive programs. The Community Board urges the Department of Transportation to advance our Board's meager Capital Project requests. Street resurfacing is a temporary costly "fix" ... not a solution. It's "band-aid" therapy for a hemorrhage! Our roadways have recently seen a high increase of "sink holes" as a result of the road bed undermining from "Sandy." An emergency "hands-on" effort by DOT and DEP must address this major community need and concern.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

The DOT has undertaken the "Reconstruction of the Seven (7) Bridges on the Belt Parkway" which commenced with minimal impact in November 2009 with the first of three contracts in our Board area - Fresh Creek Bridge, Paerdegat Basin Bridge, two (2) separate bridges eastbound and westbound, and the Rockaway Parkway Bridge. The Mill Basin Draw Bridge, a fixed structure with 60-foot clearance over Mean High Water obviating the need for opening and closing the bridge, is now scheduled for approximate duration from the fall of 2015 to 2018. All impacts to wetlands shall be mitigated in accordance with Federal and State regulations. Tidal wetland restoration and improvement projects have been performed at Jamaica Bay sites within the Gateway National Recreation Area to mitigate the tidal wetland impacts from this project. A freshwater wetland restoration and improvement project is planned at a site in Marine Park, fronting on Avenue U, approximately between East 34th and 35th Streets. The landscaping contract will complete the project by 2019.

Transportation issues persist to rank high on the problem list for our Community Board. Pedestrian, cyclist, and motor vehicle occupant safety at many of the intersections and streets within our Board area are the source of major concern. As a component of PlaNYC, NYC DOT created a Division of Bicycle and Pedestrian Programs. With no enforcement of regulations in place, and without consultation, an unprecedented three-year plan was launched to expand the city's on-street bicycle network by 200 miles. Bicycle lanes clearly offer both an environmental and practical benefit in areas served by adequate mass transit alternatives and a bike-friendly population. Bike lanes, if not properly placed, will only create hazardous conditions in our board area and jeopardize pedestrians, cyclists, and motor vehicle occupants. The primary mission of government is to protect the public. To this end, Mayor de Blasio, in February 2014, launched his "Vision Zero," action plan, a Swedish-inspired agenda to re-engineer streets and increase law enforcement to eliminate traffic fatalities. To bolster public feedback for the plan, the Administration has put together an interactive map for New Yorkers to report traffic and street safety condition. Our Community Board supports this plan and applauds Mayor de Blasio.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

Budget Requests are listed for informational purposes only. OMB maintains the definitive list that may have more updated information on request for agencies, published in its Register.

Capital Requests related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to capital budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.1. of this document. CS in the priority column indicates the Board's Continued Support for a fully or partially funded project.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	DOT	Transportation	Reconstruct	Fund Reconstruction and Construction of	Preston Court	

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
		<i>infrastructure</i>	<i>streets</i>	<i>Preston Court. Construct Preston Court from Ralph Avenue to East 56th Street. This portion of Preston Court has not been improved by the City. Also reconstruct Preston Court from East 56th Street to Kings Highway to East 83 Street. This portion of Preston Court is in dire need of reconstruction for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>	<i>from Ralph Avenue to East 56th Street Preston Court from East 56th Street to Kings Highway to East 83 Street</i>	
02	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Reconstruct Fraser Grid Streets - Railroad to Kings Highway from Flatbush Avenue to Nostrand Ave. Railroad to Kings Highway, from Flatbush Avenue to Nostrand Avenue. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>	<i>Kings Highway Flatbush Avenue Nostrand Avenue</i>	
03	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Reconstruction of East 108 Street from Flatlands to Seaview Avenues in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>	<i>East 108th Street Flatlands Avenue Seaview Avenue</i>	
04	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Reconstruct Kings Highway Roadway and Traffic Islands from Nostrand Avenue to Flatbush Avenue in Conjunction with DEP's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Heavy commercial bus and truck traffic has significantly affected the quality of the roadbed and traffic islands causing safety problems to adjacent small homes. Hazardous vehicular and pedestrian conditions exist.</i>	<i>Kings Highway Roadway Nostrand Avenue Flatbush Avenue</i>	
05	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Construct Street - East 100 Street from Farragut Road to Dead end and Glenwood Road to Seaview Avenue in Conjunction with DEP's Installation of Sanitary Sewers and Catch Basins. Construct remaining portion of East 100 Street adjacent to P.S. 242 Playground.</i>	<i>East 100 Street Farragut Road to Dead End Glenwood Road</i>	
06	DOT	<i>Traffic and traffic flow</i>	<i>Address traffic congestion</i>	<i>Install Pedestrian Safety Fences on the South Side of Avenue U, adjacent to Kings Plaza Shopping Center, from Flatbush Avenue to East 55 Street and on Center Traffic Island on Flatbush Avenue between Avenues U & V. To improve pedestrian and</i>	<i>South Side of Avenue U, adjacent to Kings Plaza Shopping Center, from</i>	<i>Council Member Alan Maisel Council Member Jumaane Williams;</i>

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>vehicular safety at Kings Plaza Shopping Center and adjacent M.T.A. Bus turnaround.</i>	<i>Flatbush Avenue to East 55 Street and on Center Traffic Island on Flatbush Avenue between Avenues U & V</i>	<i>Marine Park Civic Association Mill Basin Civic Association</i>
07	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Construct Raised Traffic Island at the Intersection of Troy Avenue, Kings Highway and Avenue K. Traffic calming devices are inadequate. Numerous accidents have occurred at this location due to heavily travelled roadway and hazardous vehicular and pedestrian conditions exist.</i>	<i>Troy Avenue Kings Highway Avenue K</i>	
09	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Reconstruct East 105th Street between Flatlands Avenue & Seaview Avenue in Conjunction with DEP's Reconstructing Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Serious buckling flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>	<i>East 105th Street Flatlands Avenue Seaview Avenue</i>	
10	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Other transportation infrastructure requests</i>	<i>Construct pedestrian elevated overpass at Flatbush Avenue & Avenue U. To improve pedestrian and vehicular safety at this dangerous intersection. Heavily travelled and congested bus turnaround located adjacent to Kings Plaza Shopping Center adds to hazardous pedestrian and vehicular safety conditions at this location.</i>	<i>Flatbush Avenue and Avenue U</i>	<i>Council Member Alan Maisel Assembly Member Roxanne Persaud; Marine Park Civic Association</i>
11	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Reconstruction of Church Lane from Remsen Avenue to East 86 Street to include new sidewalks in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. These streets are old and deteriorated and not at grade. Serious flooding and buckling exists causing hazardous pedestrian and vehicular traffic conditions.</i>	<i>Church Lane Remsen Avenue East 86th Street</i>	
12	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Reconstruction of Bergen Avenue from Avenues K to L, and from Royce Place to Avenue U -- including raised center traffic islands, sidewalks, curbs, and designated parking spaces on the East side of Bergen Avenue -- in conjunction with the</i>	<i>Bergen Avenue from Avenues K to L, and from Royce Place to Avenue U</i>	

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
				<i>Department of Environmental Protection's reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers, where necessary. The streets are old, deteriorated and heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed. Raised Center Traffic Islands are for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>		
13	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<i>Widen Flatbush Avenue - In front of, and north of Toys "R" Us to allow for a Bus Lane to ease traffic congestion and provide vehicular/pedestrian safety. To ease extremely heavy traffic congestion and provide vehicular and pedestrian safety on heavily travelled roadway and shopping complex.</i>	<i>In front of, and north of Toys "R" Us Widen Flatbush Avenue</i>	
14	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<i>Reconstruct Paerdegat 2nd and 3rd Street from East 80th Street to Paerdegat Avenue North in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's reconstruction of catch basins and sanitary sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>	<i>Paerdegat 2nd and Paerdegat 3rd Street East 80th Street Paerdegat Avenue North</i>	
15	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<i>Reconstruct East 58 Street between Avenues H & I in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's reconstruction of catch basins and sanitary sewers. Serious buckling, flood, and hazardous road conditions exist. This street is old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and needs to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>	<i>East 58 Street Avenue H Avenue I</i>	
16	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<i>Reconstruct Canarsie Road from Seaview Avenue to Skidmore Avenue in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's reconstruction of catch basins and sanitary sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. This street is old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and needs to be reconstruction for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</i>	<i>Canarsie Road Seaview Avenue Skidmore Avenue</i>	
17	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<i>Reconstruct Seaview Village Grid - East 98 to East 108 Streets from Flatlands Avenue to Seaview Avenue - in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's reconstruction of catch basins and sanitary sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old deteriorated, heavily</i>	<i>Seaview Village Grid - East 98 to East 108 Streets from Flatlands Avenue to Seaview Avenue</i>	

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
18	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<p>travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</p> <p>Construct a raised Center Island on East 69 Street from Avenue U to Avenue Y for landscaping and tree planting. East 69 Street is a very wide and heavily travelled commercial street. The raised landscaped island will clearly delineate traffic flow and provide safety as well as a pollution barrier for this manufacturing zoned street adjacent to residential properties.</p>	East 69th Street Avenue U Avenue Y	
19	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<p>Reconstruction of East 99 Street (Mapped Street) between Flatlands & Conklin Avenues in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. This street is old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and needs to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</p>	East 99th Street Flatlands Avenue Conklin Avenue	
20	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<p>Reconstruction of Avenue J from Paerdegat Avenue North to East 108 Street in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</p>	Avenue J Paerdegat Avenue North East 108th Street	
21	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<p>Reconstruction of East 95 Street from Flatlands to Seaview Avenues in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</p>	East 95th Street Flatlands Avenue Seaview Avenue	
22	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	<p>Reconstruction of East 96 Street from Avenue K to Seaview Avenue in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.</p>	East 96th Street Avenue K Seaview Avenue	

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
24	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	Reconstruct East 82 Street from Avenue K to Avenue L in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Severe flooding and hazardous road conditions exist. A joint inspection with DOT, RRM, HIZA, SIM, & DEP was held on 1/24/13 and it was concluded that the location was referred to Capital Planning for reconstruction.	East 82nd Street Avenue K Avenue L	
25	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	Reconstruct East 80th Street from Foster Avenue to Farragut Road in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's reconstruction of catch basins and sanitary sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. This street is old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and needs to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.	East 80th Street Foster Avenue Farragut Road	
26	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	Reconstruct the Intersection of Glenwood Road and East 76th Street in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's reconstruction of catch basins and sanitary sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. This intersection is old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and needs to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.	Intersection of Glenwood Road and East 76th Street	
27	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	Reconstruct Rockaway Parkway and Traffic Islands from Seaview Avenue to Shore Parkway in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins and Sanitary Sewers. Heavy commercial bus and truck traffic has significantly affected the quality of the roadbed and traffic islands causing safety problems to adjacent small businesses. Hazardous vehicular and pedestrian conditions exist.	Rockaway Parkway Seaview Avenue Shore Parkway	
28	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Reconstruct streets	Reconstruction of East 56th Street from Avenues J to Avenue L in conjunction with the Department of Environmental Protection's Reconstruction of Catch Basins, and Sanitary Sewers. Serious buckling, flooding, and hazardous road conditions exist. These streets are old, deteriorated, heavily travelled, and need to be reconstructed for pedestrian and vehicular safety.	East 56th Street Avenue J Avenue L	

4.6. Transportation Needs and Requests

4.6.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

Expense Requests related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
09	DOT	Transportation infrastructure	Other transportation infrastructure requests	Hire Additional Personnel for Street Maintenance -- Department of Transportation. Fund request for employment of additional maintenance workers for asphalt crews and street repair maintenance workers in Community Board #18 area, to maintain our aging streets.		

4.6.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Transit Services

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

Numerous costly and time consuming studies have been performed by outside consultants, the Departments of Transportation and City Planning, as well as the Borough President's Office, in an effort to improve pedestrian, vehicular, and bus circulation problems at the intersections and along Flatbush Avenue and Avenue U. The studies continue to identify the same problems and continue to propose a myriad number of improvements including changes in bus stop locations and operations, directional signage, street configuration with the widening of Avenue U and Flatbush Avenue, and the installation of pedestrian safety fencing along the South side of Avenue U, from Flatbush Avenue to East 55th Street, and on the center traffic island on Flatbush Avenue, between Avenues U and V. Our Community Board also included in our Capital Budget Priorities and Requests a request for the construction of an elevated pedestrian overpass at this intersection. -- To date... nothing of consequence has been done, except for the creation of a major bus layover in front of the Kings Plaza Shopping Center causing buses, leaving the layover, to sharply cross five (5) lanes of traffic on Flatbush Avenue to accomplish a left-hand turn onto Avenue U ... the widening of the traffic islands on Flatbush Avenue has created additional confusion, danger, and further bottleneck this dangerous intersection! All the studies performed...All the dollars spent...All the changes suggested...All the promises made...All the time and money wasted -- To date...nothing of consequence has been done. The problem is self-evident -- the solutions have been proposed -- implement the recommendations. Install speed cameras and red light cameras at this dangerous intersection. For a graphic illustration of what the intersection of Flatbush Avenue and Avenue U looks like go to the website www.nyc.crashmapper.com and view the incidents reported. It remains one of the most accident plagued intersection in the city. We urge the MTA to develop a long-term strategy for meeting the public transportation needs of our area and for all city residents. We remain frustrated in our efforts to provide adequate public transportation to other parts of the Borough due to the lack of speed, curtailed, changed and/or eliminated service on the surface bus lines.

At this time, the Community Board does not have any budget requests for this need category.

4.7. Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities Needs and Requests

Main Issue

Park care and maintenance

The Community Board provided the following explanation for the above issue:

We support Commissioner Silver’s Community Parks Initiative to invest in under-resourced public city parks. Within our Community Board are numerous small “vest pocket” parks that are in a state of dire neglect. Commissioner Silver calls it a framework for an equitable future. We feel that equity should include the communities that we serve and we look forward to new funds dedicated to upgrading and maintaining our neighborhood parks.

Community District Needs and Requests

4.7.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District’s needs:

The maintenance and upkeep of our parks and playgrounds continues to remain a major area of concern due to insufficient staffing and funding. Some parks and playgrounds in our District are in various stages of design, scope and reconstruction. The Board fully supports the continued funding of these projects. Several of our smaller parks and playgrounds require reconstruction or “in-house” spruce-up. We urge that these projects as well as increased staffing be addressed through the Capital and Expense Budget. The Greenstreets Program provides us with an opportunity to beautify our barren neighborhood triangles and traffic islands. We wholeheartedly support the continuation of this program. We encourage strategies for additional conservation and beautification programs to include sorely needed maintenance provisions. Programs started and then abandoned deserve funding so that they can continue. Parks’ Department equipment and personnel are always in short supply. We urge that our requests, as well as Departmental requests, be given a high priority in budget negotiations for adequate maintenance and operation of our parks. The park areas within Community Board #18 provide recreational and cultural outlets for all ages, and are truly a valued natural resource that must be protected and maintained. Marine Park comprising 798 acres, and Seaview Park comprising 540 acres, are regional facilities that serve a large population outside our local neighborhoods. We are pleased that the long-awaited, over-budgeted construction of the Marine Park Community/Senior Center, a/k/a The Carmine Carro Community Center,” has finally become a reality. This facility provides sorely needed recreational activities for our vital seniors and active youth population. Department budget cuts have historically negatively impacted the Forestry Division of the Department of Parks & Recreation and continue to cause great consternation for the residents of our community. The large geographic area of our Community Board and its residential neighborhoods are the “home” to the largest street tree population in the Borough. Consequently, we must cope with a Parks’ Division that falls behind in its protracted pruning and dead tree/stump removal schedules.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board) Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
07	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Increase funding for Additional Personnel -- Department of Parks & Recreation. Fund additional personnel for maintenance of parks, on a regular basis; to staff recreation centers & playgrounds, provide increased		

4.7. Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities Needs and Requests

4.7.1. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Parks and Recreational Facilities and Programming

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
08	DPR	Street trees and forestry services	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Request Additional Tree Maintenance Equipment -- Department of Parks & Recreation. Request equipment for spruce up program. Purchase two (2) high rangers, a garbage packer, and a dump-truck. High rangers are needed to prune the enormous tree population in our area. Due to the size of the many parks in our area, it is essential that we have our own garbage packer. No new equipment has been allocated for some time. Present operations are hampered by the lack of adequate equipment. Manpower could be used more effectively with additional equipment.		

4.7.2. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Cultural and other Community Facilities and Programming

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments or budget requests for this need category.

4.7.3. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Library Facilities and Programming

At this time, the Community Board does not have any high level comments for this need category.

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Library Facilities and Programming (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
11	BPL	Library facilities, equipment and programs	Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs	Additional funding is necessary to maintain this vital community resource. Support for Brooklyn Public Library Expense Budget Requests for--- Literacy Initiatives, Improved Salaries for Library Employees, Maintenance of Library Buildings, Public Access to Technology, and New Collections for Brooklyn Readers.		

4.7. Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities Needs and Requests

4.7.4. Community District Needs and Requests Related to Community Boards

The Community Board provided the following high level comments and background on the District's needs:

We urge the Administration to increase the budgets of Community Boards to allow for the hiring of a "planner" consistent with Sections 191(b)(5) and 2800(g) of the City Charter and for additional office staff in order to meet the increasing needs of the community for government access, information and programs..

The Community Board submitted the following budget requests:

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Expense Requests related to Community Boards (as provided by the Community Board)

Priority numbers apply to expense budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 5.2. of this document.

Priority	Agency	Need	Request	Request Explanation	Location	Supporters
01	OMB	Community board facilities and staff	Provide more community board staff	<i>We urge the Administration to increase the budgets of Community Boards to allow for the hiring of a "planner" consistent with Sections 191(b)(5) and 2800(g) of the City Charter and for additional office staff in order to meet the increasing needs of the community for government access, information and programs. Community Board #18, and Community Boards in general, cannot perform Charter mandated responsibilities with the current meager budget allocation and continual yearly Mayoral budget cuts.</i>		

5. SUMMARY TABLES OF ALL PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

5.1. Table of All Capital Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No. / Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
02	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
03	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
04	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
05	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
06	DOT	<i>Traffic and traffic flow</i>	<i>Address traffic congestion</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
07	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
08	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
09	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
10	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Other transportation infrastructure requests</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
11	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
12	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
13	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
14	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
15	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
16	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
17	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
18	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>

5.1. Table of All Capital Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No. / Continued Support (CS)	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
19	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
20	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
21	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
22	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
23	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Provide new or expand green infrastructure, e.g. greenbelts, bio swales</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
24	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
25	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
26	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
27	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
28	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Reconstruct streets</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
29	DEP	<i>Sewage and flooding</i>	<i>Build new, expand or repair storm sewers</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>

5.2. Table of All Expense Requests (Prioritized)

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Priority No.	Agency	Need	Request	Policy Area
01	OMB	<i>Community board facilities and staff</i>	<i>Provide more community board staff</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
02	DCP	<i>Zoning and land use</i>	<i>Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
03	NYPD	<i>NYPD facilities and equipment</i>	<i>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
04	FDNY	<i>FDNY programs and staffing</i>	<i>Provide more firefighters or EMS workers</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
05	NYPD	<i>NYPD staff and training resources</i>	<i>Assign additional uniformed officers</i>	<i>Public Safety</i>
06	DSNY	<i>Street and lot cleaning</i>	<i>Other cleaning requests</i>	<i>Core Infrastructure and City Services</i>
07	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
08	DPR	<i>Street trees and forestry services</i>	<i>Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>
09	DOT	<i>Transportation infrastructure</i>	<i>Other transportation infrastructure requests</i>	<i>Transportation</i>
10	DOB	<i>Building code and zoning enforcement</i>	<i>Expand code enforcement</i>	<i>Land Use, Housing and Economic Development</i>
11	BPL	<i>Library facilities, equipment and</i>	<i>Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs</i>	<i>Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities</i>