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Priority	Tracking Code	Project Information	Agency Response
01	304201729E	<p>Request: Expand tenant protection programs</p> <p>Explanation: Enhance funding for legal services and Emergency Repair programs to provide eviction prevention services for low and moderate income households enforcement of regulations, respond to reports of illegal use, and protect tenants from harassment, anti-displacement. Raise funding levels for anti-displacement and housing improvement programs, such as the Community Consultant Program.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</p> <p>Supported by: Housing Conservation Coordinators</p>	<p>HPD has no funding in this program. The City Council only funds this program. HPD's role is limited solely to administering the contract, and therefore has no control over fund restoration.</p>
02	304201720E	<p>Request: Provide, expand, or enhance anti-eviction legal services</p> <p>Explanation: Homelessness prevention programs: 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 effects of the zoning and harassment of tenants; provide enhanced legal services to represent individual tenants and tenant associations.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Human Resources Administration</p> <p>Supported by: Housing Conservation Coordinators</p>	<p>Homelessness prevention is one of the Agency's priorities. Funds have been allocated in the budget for these services.</p> <p>Additional comment: Under the de Blasio Administration, by FY17 there will be \$62 million for legal services for tenants, which is ten times the prior administrations investment.</p>
03	304201743E	<p>Request: Provide more frequent litter basket collection</p> <p>Explanation: Provide more frequent litter basket collection This situation has worsened since last year and needs immediate attention. Include two additional pickup trucks bringing the total amount of trucks for MCD4 to four. And add larger trashcans</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Sanitation</p> <p>Supported by: Council Member Corey Johnson Council of Chelsea Block Associations</p>	<p>Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.</p>

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04	304201732E	<p>Request: Address illegal conversions and uses of buildings</p> <p>Explanation: Illegal hotel use in our district continues to grow exponentially. 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.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Buildings</p> <p>Supported by: Housing Conservation Coordinators Westside Neighborhood Alliance</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: OSE staff has increased.</p>
05	304201733E	<p>Request: Expand code enforcement</p> <p>Explanation: Enhance coordinated enforcement of regulations between HPD and the Department of Buildings in the interests of efficiency. In particular, tracking illegal demos, permitting work without tenant safety plan, and work with out lack certificate of non-harassment. Development in all parts of CD4 must be monitored and adherence to previously agreed to standards of contextual zoning maintained.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Buildings</p> <p>Supported by: West Side Neighborhood Alliance Housing Conservation Coordinators</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: Funding already allocated in the budget for DOB staff increases. New hiring has begun. Enforcement efforts have been stepped up.</p>

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06	304201728E	<p>Request: Study location and Creation of Tour Bus Garage</p> <p>Explanation: Study the location and construction of a Tour and charter Bus Garage. In the Hudson Yards rezoning in 2005 the city committed the building of a garage to accommodate additional off-street parking sites for tourist and commuter buses and vans, services, and waiting "black cars"</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Economic Development Corporation</p> <p>Supported by: CHEKPEDS HYHK Alliance</p>	<p>Additional detail on this request is required before EDC can make a recommendation.</p>
07	304201734E	<p>Request: Expand code enforcement</p> <p>Explanation: Increase and dedicate Inspectors, Community Coordinators, and Administrative Associates to CD4 Special Districts: HPD and DOB inspectors and those assigned to the Mayor's Office of Special Enforcement (OSE) do essential work in our area. Their work is particularly important within Community District 4s Special Districts, including the Special Clinton, West Chelsea and Hudson Yards Districts, where we depend on their skills to enforce arcane, but essential provisions preventing the demolition of sound residential housing and protecting tenants from harassment. Enhance funding for staffing to pursue with due diligence the collection of outstanding fines owed by repeat violators, and enforce unsafe and after hours construction compliance is essential.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Buildings</p> <p>Supported by: Save Chelsea West Neighborhood Alliance</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: Staffing levels at OSE were recently increased.</p>

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08	304201744E	<p>Request: Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws</p> <p>Explanation: Dedicate a sanitation enforcement officer to CD4 to enforce increase in illegal dumping and sidewalk obstructions: The Board is concerned about illegal household dumping, commercial garbage on the sidewalks, the accumulation of construction debris, and an increase in sidewalk obstructions in the district. One additional Sanitation Police Officer should be assigned solely to and stationed in our District. Many infractions occur after 5 PM and a presence in our district is key to affect timely visits. In addition, the Department of Sanitation (DOS) needs to do more to educate individuals and businesses about sanitation regulations.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Sanitation</p>	<p>Although the Department of Sanitation supports this program, due to fiscal constraints the availability of funds is uncertain.</p>
09	304201718E	<p>Request: Other facilities for the homeless requests</p> <p>Explanation: Continue to provide funding for DHS Peace officers to address Bowery Residents Committee (BRC) 127 West 25th Street (BRC) Community Advisory Committee issues.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Homeless Services</p> <p>Supported by: Council Member Corey Johnson West 25 Street Project</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p>
10	304201719E	<p>Request: Expand street outreach</p> <p>Explanation: Expand resources for homeless youth</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Homeless Services</p>	<p>DHS funds street outreach services in all five boroughs. In addition to services available through DHS, DYCD also funds programs focused on runaway and homeless youth. To learn more about these services, please contact DHS or DYCD.</p>

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11	304201703E	<p>Request: Other zoning and land use requests</p> <p>Explanation: Complete the zoning text amendment to create a Hudson River Park development rights transfer district. This new district will fund the construction and maintenance of sections of Hudson River Park and bring some predictability to the development community for sites one block east of the Park. This effort should include a plan to remove the heliport at West 36th Street and the tow pound on Pier 76.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of City Planning</p> <p>Supported by: Friends of Hudson River Park Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: DCP staff is currently working on this project and completion is expected in 2016.</p>
12	304201709E	<p>Request: Other educational programs requests</p> <p>Explanation: Provide full funding for after school programs:</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Education</p>	<p>After school programs are provided by the Department of Youth and Community Development. Contact your local community board or Borough Field Support Centers (BFSCS).</p>
13	304201721E	<p>Request: Increase home delivered meals capacity</p> <p>Explanation: Expand existing programs for Seniors (DFTA) Meal programs</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</p> <p>Supported by: Clinton Housing Development Corp.</p>	<p>DFTA continues to advocate for increased funding to support aging services throughout the five boroughs. Presently, there is no additional funding available to increase program budgets or commence new initiatives.</p> <p>Additional comment: In FY16, funding for Home Delivered Meals will be modestly increased.</p>

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14	304201722E	<p>Request: Other services for homebound older adults programs</p> <p>Explanation: Expand existing programs for Seniors in the following areas: In-home supports supportive housing Preventive health and social services</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</p> <p>Supported by: Clinton Housing Development Corp.</p>	<p>DFTA continues to advocate for increased funding to support aging services throughout the five boroughs. Presently, there is no additional funding available to increase program budgets or commence new initiatives.</p>
15	304201711E	<p>Request: Assign additional staff to address specific crimes (e.g. drug, gang-related, vice, etc.)</p> <p>Explanation: Increase enforcement staff for idling laws: work with DEP to conduct repeated and targeted operations in areas identified by our communities. The hundreds of buses idling in our community warrant a much level higher of enforcement.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>Additional NYPD resources for this project are unavailable at this time due to funding constraints. However, the program will continue to operate within current funding levels.</p>
16	304201712E	<p>Request: Assign additional traffic enforcement officers</p> <p>Explanation: Expand funding to add 10 traffic officers (enforcement and traffic) to the district The top areas of complaints are: vehicular failure to yield to pedestrians, - vehicular spillback, - illegal bus parking/standing, especially tourist buses on the west side, from 30th Street to 57th Street. - bus drivers using unauthorized routes, - vehicular idling, - bicycles riding on sidewalks, going the wrong way bike paths and streets, and running red lights. - Illegal electric bikes- vehicles blocking bike lanes - unnecessary honking, - liquor license stipulations- tagging of food delivery bikes</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>The future funding for civilian personnel depends on decisions made in the Preliminary and Executive budget process.</p>

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17	304201747E	<p>Request: Address traffic congestion</p> <p>Explanation: Convert 11th avenue to one-way southbound from 57th Street to 42nds Street Reduce congestion by re-balancing traffic between 9th and 11th Avenue as recommended in the Hells Kitchen study. Add pedestrian safety features and a protected bus lane. Make Eleventh Avenue one-way southbound from West 57th Street to West 44th Street to ensure the reliability of the new bus route.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</p> <p>Supported by: CHEKPEDS Hell's Kitchen Neighborhood Association</p>	<p>DOT has begun process for implementation of program.</p>
18	304201704E	<p>Request: Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs</p> <p>Explanation: Explore rezoning the northern part of Hudson Yards to complete the planned park and allow for additional residential units. A rezoning of Hudson Yards North is needed to provide a mechanism to fund the construction of the planned Hudson Yards Blvd. park, and to reflect the realities of the market which favors residential development over commercial development.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of City Planning</p> <p>Supported by: Clinton Housing Development Corp Council Member Corey Johnson</p>	<p>Further study by the agency of this request is needed.</p> <p>Additional comment: Please provide information about the specific areas in your district that warrant zoning changes and what the land use objectives of these changes should be. Please contact the Manhattan Borough Office to discuss this matter.</p>

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19	304201713E	<p>Request: Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing</p> <p>Explanation: Provide additional resources to further train officers in the following: Traffic officers and agents; Pedestrian safety Bus/truck laws including idling Preventing gridlock Precinct Officers; Collision investigation (10-190). It is critical that all agents responding to crashes be educated in the 10-190 laws and be ready to report all crashes causes.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>This NYPD request is funded.</p> <p>Additional comment: Traffic Agents, if present at a collision crash site can provide information and be a witness and testify as to the cause of the crash. Traffic Agents are unable to conduct crash investigations. Crash investigations are conducted by Uniformed Members of Service only.</p>
20	304201749E	<p>Request: Other park maintenance and safety requests</p> <p>Explanation: DPR vehicle: Our District is in need of DPR vehicles including a van for the transportation of seasonal employees and a smaller vehicle for transport of gardening materials including plantings, soil and tools.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p> <p>Additional comment: We could use a van, a crew cab pick-up truck and a plow truck.</p>
21	304201738E	<p>Request: Other water supply system maintenance requests</p> <p>Explanation: MCB4 requests that NYC DEP finalize transfer of portion of DEP site at West 48th Street and 10th Avenue to the City's Parks Department. This transfer has been committed as part of the Western Rail Yards re zoning. The water maintenance tunnel construction is completed at this location.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p>Supported by: 47/48 Block Association Council Member Corey Johnson</p>	<p>Further study by the agency of this request is needed.</p> <p>Additional comment: Agency is in deep conversation with the CMB and the local Councilmembers office regarding this particular site.</p>

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22	304201736E	<p>Request: Expand Program</p> <p>Explanation: Substance Abuse: The Board is concerned about reports that the use of crystal methamphetamine and K2 is gaining a foothold in our community. In addition to other health and mental health dangers, use of this drug has been associated with increased use of other illicit drugs, as well as sexual practices that enhance the chances of contracting HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</p>	<p>DOHMH funds a variety of services related to mental health, alcohol, drug abuse, and depression. We will review and assess the request for additional programming, which would be contingent upon available resources.</p>
23	304201705E	<p>Request: Other zoning and land use requests</p> <p>Explanation: Revise the CEQR manual to correctly calculate the need for school seats resulting from cumulative rezoning. With an additional 20,000 residents and further developments under way, our capacity to deliver a proper education to our students is woefully inadequate. Revise Chapter 6 of the City Environmental Quality Review, which grossly and unfairly under counts needed school seats in our community. The problem is worst in Manhattan; as each residential unit is calculated to yield three times more 4-17 year olds in the Bronx [.74] than in Manhattan [.22]. Calculations must be based on the most recently available data to update the borough formulas.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of City Planning</p> <p>Supported by: Council Helen Rosenthal</p>	<p>Changes to the CEQR Manual are not within DCP's purview. Please contact the Mayor's Office for Environmental Coordination.</p>
24	304201748E	<p>Request: Address traffic congestion</p> <p>Explanation: Expand the bus lane on 9th Avenue from 44th street to 57th street to increase the M11 reliability and consistency of its service.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</p> <p>Supported by: CHEKPEDS</p>	<p>Further study by the agency of this request is needed.</p> <p>Additional comment: Bus lanes projects require thorough traffic studies</p>

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25	304201717E	<p>Request: Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</p> <p>Explanation: Expand FDNY program funding to partner with non-profit housing and social service orgs to provide additional smoke detectors and education to their clients in need and make sure they all have detectors and know their rights.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Fire Department</p>	<p>The FDNY Foundation provides funds to assist the Department in meeting these needs.</p>
26	304201706E	<p>Request: Other zoning and land use requests</p> <p>Explanation: Modify the special permit process for off-street parking in new residential buildings. The current methodology for calculating parking for special permit findings does not reflect the realities of CD4, particularly in West Chelsea. The methodology encourages the building of unnecessary parking spaces which attract more cars in an area that is already overwhelmed by traffic and has excellent mass transit.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of City Planning</p> <p>Supported by: Manhattan Borough President CHEKPEDS</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: DCP will add this item to its work program for next year and will reach out to the board for input.</p>

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27	304201739E	<p>Request: Enhance or expand noise pollution abatement and enforcement programs</p> <p>Explanation: 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. Continue diligence is needed for inspecting HVAC systems, nightclubs, and other sources of commercial noise. Code needs to include the consideration of the human voice at full cry shouting, yelling, and braying.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p>Supported by: Council of Chelsea Block Associations HK50/51 Block Association</p>	<p>As of February 2016, DEP will have 56 Air & Noise inspectors, including Senior inspectors & Supervisors who respond to complaints citywide M-F 8am-4pm, Night Unit, M-F 6pm-2am. Late Night Unit, Tues.-Sat. 8pm-4am mostly to address music & private carting. Rotating staff for weekend, usually Sat. -Sun. 8am-4pm. Saturday night is primarily for appointments to address music complaints. In an effort to enhance air & noise codes, compliance & enforcement capability, 5 new inspectors will provide more flexibility to inspect on weekends, evenings and increase the number of inspections citywide.</p>
28	304201723E	<p>Request: Enhance home care services</p> <p>Explanation: Expand existing programs for Seniors (DFTA) visiting neighbor services.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</p> <p>Supported by: Actor's Fund Clinton Cares</p>	<p>DFTA continues to advocate for increased funding to support aging services throughout the five boroughs. Presently, there is no additional funding available to increase program budgets or commence new initiatives.</p>
29	304201724E	<p>Request: Other senior center program requests</p> <p>Explanation: Expand existing mental health services for low income seniors by partnering with service providers such as Service Program for Older People (SPOP)</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</p> <p>Supported by: Actor's Fund Clinton Cares</p>	<p>DFTA has received funding to embed Mental Health practitioners in over twenty high needs senior centers to serve members who have mental health needs.</p>

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30	304201750E	<p>Request: Other park maintenance and safety requests</p> <p>Explanation: Fund full-time, on-site park keeper in each park in our district to address constituents' concerns, provide security and perform routine maintenance of that park alone.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>The agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2017, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.</p>
31	304201701E	<p>Request: Streamline 311 update process</p> <p>Explanation: Upgrade 311 and training to improve enforcement efficacy. Today, A-frames obstruction reported to 311 are routed to NYPD. When reported they are not properly enforced by the agents causing repeat trips and no improvement. Provide expanded training and enforcement on sidewalk obstructions</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Dept of Information Technology & Telecommunication</p>	<p>311 does not do training and enforcement on sidewalk obstructions. It receives the complaints and routes them to the proper agency for action. In this case, the identified agency is NYPD, so it would be for NYPD to expand and improve the way it handles complaints about sidewalk obstruction, if that is indeed something that is required. If the correct agency is not NYPD, then the Office of Operations would need to determine which agency sidewalk obstructions complaints should be routed to. Once determined, 311 could then make the necessary changes to its content and routing procedures.</p>
32	304201745E	<p>Request: Provide more on-street trash cans and recycling containers</p> <p>Explanation: Provide more on street trash cans for recycling.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Sanitation</p> <p>Supported by: West 25 Street Project Council of Chelsea Block Associations</p>	<p>This request is not recommended for funding.</p>

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33	304201735E	<p>Request: Expand code enforcement</p> <p>Explanation: Training and stricter enforcement are needed to remove storm enclosures that are illegal and encroach in the pedestrian right of way. A focused effort is needed on 8th and 9th avenue and a proper coding in 311 is necessary.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Buildings</p> <p>Supported by: CHEKPEDS HK 50/51 Block Association</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: In the process of implementing with 311.</p>
34	304201727E	<p>Request: Support nonprofit cultural organizations</p> <p>Explanation: Preserve and create affordable space for small to mid-sized art groups theatrical and other non-profit performance and visual art organization as well as their support services such as artists' studios, rental storage space for art, costumes, scenery, lighting, and rehearsal studios. The creation of a subsidy program, as part of the overall budget of the Department of Cultural Affairs, that could ensure permanent locations for existing and displaced nonprofit arts entities is an ongoing need and a high priority for this community</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Cultural Affairs</p> <p>Supported by: League of Independent Theaters</p>	<p>The Department of Cultural Affairs recommends this project be brought to the attention of your local elected official, i.e. Borough President or City Council member.</p>

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35	304201730E	<p>Request: Other affordable housing programs requests</p> <p>Explanation: Provide funding for the Clinton Urban Renewal Area (CURA) as the agency goes forward with the development projects.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</p> <p>Supported by: Clinton Housing Development Corporation Westside Neighborhood Alliance</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: The Mayor has fully funded his commitment to the Housing NY plan to create and preserve 200,000 units of affordable housing. Last year HPD released revised term sheets for the housing that we help finance, which will allow us to reach a broader range of household incomes including more lower-income and more middle-income households. Due to a diminishing portfolio of city-owned properties, HPD is reliant on working with privately held properties to develop or preserve affordable housing and has less discretion over where new affordable housing will be built in the coming years.</p>
36	304201714E	<p>Request: Assign additional crossing guards</p> <p>Explanation: Add two crossing guards 10th Avenue and 43rd, 44th, 45th Streets and 10th and 11th Avenues where the Beacon School is moving to with 1,500 additional students.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p> <p>Supported by: Manhattan Borough President's Office</p>	<p>NYPD's funding is currently available to maintain School-Crossing Guards. There is no funding to support increased staffing levels. The availability of future funding depends on decisions made in the Preliminary and Executive Budget process.</p>

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37	304201751E	<p>Request: Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</p> <p>Explanation: Tree Pruning: Many of the trees within our district are in desperate need of pruning and may not survive until the next seven-year cycle for pruning comes up.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p>Supported by: Council of Chelsea Block Association CHEKPEDS</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p>
38	304201715E	<p>Request: Provide resources to train officers, e.g. in community policing</p> <p>Explanation: Provide resources to train officers in noise measurement to address the many noise complaints due to the 700 bars restaurants and clubs and now massive number of construction activity.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>Each Patrol Borough possesses an adequate number of sound level meters along with training personnel in their use. The NYPD has newer sound level meters which measure ambient bass to enforce updated noise laws (July 2007). The Department will continue to purchase and replace sound level meters as necessary.</p>
39	304201707E	<p>Request: Other zoning and land use requests</p> <p>Explanation: Conduct a study of publicly accessible Community Facilities. Create a publicly accessible Community Facilities database that would index information contained in the COO of every building located within MCD4.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of City Planning</p> <p>Supported by: MANHATTAN LEAGUE OF INDEPENDENT THEATERS</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: The Department of City Planning maintains a "Selected Facilities and Program Sites" database that is available for download on the agency website. Please contact DCP's Capital Planning Division if you have any questions.</p>

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40	304201737E	<p>Request: Provide more HIV/AIDS information and services</p> <p>Explanation: Over the last 10 years, HIV rates in the Chelsea/Clinnton area were 50% higher than NYC</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</p> <p>Supported by: Actors Fund</p>	<p>DOHMH has a variety of HIV programs, with a special focus on men who have sex with men; transgender women who have sex with men; blacks; Latinos; and people struggling with substance abuse. We will review and assess the request for additional programming, which would be contingent upon availability of funds.</p>
41	304201702E	<p>Request: Other community board facilities and staff requests</p> <p>Explanation: Reevaluate Community Board's OTPS budget for inflation.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Office of Management and Budget</p>	<p>Community board budgets are being increased.</p>
42	304201740E	<p>Request: Other sewer maintenance requests</p> <p>Explanation: Although MCB4 lauds DEPs NYC Green Infrastructure Program we ask that DEP and agency partners, including the Federal government design, construct and maintain a variety of sustainable green infrastructure practices within MCD4. A portion of the FY 2016 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.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection</p>	<p>DEP is not responsible for building a storm surge barrier of this type. The scale and scope of such a request needs 100's of millions of dollars and requires Army Corp of Engineers approval.</p>

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43	304201741E	<p>Request: Address air quality issues</p> <p>Explanation: Conduct air pollution studies: Provide Funding to conduct air pollution studies in the Lincoln Tunnel Corridor. 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. 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.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection</p>	<p>DOHMH partners with Queens College to conduct the New York City Community Air Survey (NYCCAS), which measures air pollution at roughly 150 locations in New York City. This program studies how pollutants from traffic, buildings boilers and furnaces, and other sources impact air quality. NYCCAS monitors pollutants that cause health problems such as fine particles, nitrogen oxides, elemental carbon (a marker for diesel exhaust particles), sulfur dioxide, and ozone. This effort helps the City improve air quality policies and enforcement.</p>
44	304201742E	<p>Request: Address air quality issues</p> <p>Explanation: Increase incentives for building owners to Convert dirty boilers that burn heating oil #4 and #6. DEP needs to work with the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) and the Energy Efficiency Corporation to develop specialized financing solutions to towards this effort.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p>Supported by: Housing Conservation Coordinators</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: Many resources are available in New York City to help building owners, operators, and residents improve the energy and water efficiency of their buildings. The NYC Retrofit Accelerator is here to help you identify these resources and decide which ones are right for your building. https://www.retrofitaccelerator.cityofnewyork.us/resources</p>

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45	304201710E	<p>Request: Other educational programs requests</p> <p>Explanation: CB4 Educational Survey Map Fund the creation of a survey of all schools in CB4 including the number of students enrolled and the capacity that each school is operating at.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Education</p>	<p>The capacity calculation in the Blue Book is based on the Annual Facilities Survey which is completed by Principals and identifies the size and use for each room in a building. The new capacity being created through the Capital Plan is one of several tools to achieve class size reduction. Another important tool is the Facility Realignment Strategies. In addition, maximum classroom capacities were reduced in the capacity calculation. The analysis to determine the need for new capacity is conducted annually to incorporate the latest, sustained housing and demographic trends in the plan.</p>
46	304201708E	<p>Request: Study land use and zoning to better match current use or future neighborhood needs</p> <p>Explanation: Study 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. Also it is important that the City 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.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of City Planning</p> <p>Supported by: Save Chelsea Council of Chelsea Block Associations</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p>

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47	304201725E	<p>Request: Increase case management capacity</p> <p>Explanation: 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.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</p>	<p>DFTA has received funding from the City Council for Case Management and will advocate to have these funds baselined into the budget for this program.</p>
48	304201752E	<p>Request: Provide better park maintenance</p> <p>Explanation: Matthews Palmer Park: The gate to the playground needs to be fitted properly to improve ease of operations.45TH BA</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p>
49	304201753E	<p>Request: Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers</p> <p>Explanation: Programming is needed for all age groups in our parks; more art in the parks in the form of exhibits, dance or musical performances would be a great way to engage the community.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>The agency recommends funding this expense budget request in FY 2017, but at this time the availability of funds is uncertain.</p>
50	304201754E	<p>Request: Provide better park maintenance</p> <p>Explanation: Clement Clark Moore Park: The Park's trees desperately need pruning. One corner of the park near a gate that is permanently padlocked should be reused. Finally, the community has requested that the W. 22nd Street gate be permanently locked so small children cannot get out that way.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p>Supported by: Council of Chelsea Block Associations</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p>

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51	304201731E	<p>Request: Other affordable housing programs requests</p> <p>Explanation: Expand funding to bring the Irish Arts Center project to completion.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</p> <p>Supported by: Clinton Housing Development Corp West Side Neighborhood Alliance</p>	<p>This request is not recommended for funding.</p> <p>Additional comment: This is a non-residential project and therefore cannot be funded by HPD.</p>
52	304201716E	<p>Request: Assign additional staff to address specific crimes (e.g. drug, gang-related, vice, etc.)</p> <p>Explanation: Assign additional narcotics agents.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>Specific crime problems, drug activity and quality of life conditions should be brought to the attention of the local Precinct Commander.</p>
53	304201755E	<p>Request: Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)</p> <p>Explanation: Chelsea Waterside and Hudson River Park: More PEP officers and or NYPD patrols are needed to curtail issues with the growing at-risk populations in and around these parks.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p>Supported by: Council Chelsea Block Associations.</p>	<p>The Department of Parks and Recreation does not maintain this facility.</p>

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54	304201756E	<p>Request: Improve trash removal and cleanliness</p> <p>Explanation: DeWitt Clinton Park: Users of the dog run have reported waste is not picked up from the receptacles in the run area, but must be deposited in DSNY trash bins outside the park. Compost piles are deposited at this park for use at multiple sites and should be stored appropriately, not where children or dogs can access.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p>Supported by: Clinton Housing Development Corporation 47/48 Block Association.</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p> <p>Additional comment: The receptacles for dog waste are outside the dog run but within the park. The piles of woodchips are generally placed in the park for volunteer projects and are removed quickly as they are distributed.</p>
55	304201758E	<p>Request: Other street trees and forestry services requests</p> <p>Explanation: Tree guards for dangerous tree pits: A number of 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.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p>Supported by: CHEKPEDS Hell's Kitchen Neighborhood Alliance</p>	<p>Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p>
56	304201757E	<p>Request: Other park maintenance and safety requests</p> <p>Explanation: Expand fund support Green Thumb Community Gardens</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>Department of Parks and Recreation funds are insufficient for this project. We recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, i.e. Borough President and/or City Council member.</p>

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57	304201746E	<p>Request: Provide or expand NYC organics collection program</p> <p>Explanation: Expand NYC organics collection program</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Sanitation</p>	This project is included in the ten-year plan.