



REGISTER OF COMMUNITY BOARD BUDGET REQUESTS

For the Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2022

Brooklyn 14



The City of New York
Bill de Blasio, Mayor

FY 2022 Preliminary Budget Register of Community Board Budget Priorities

The Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Preliminary Budget reports the FY 2022 preliminary budget status of each of the projects and programs requested by the City's 59 community boards.

The FY 2022 Register is the charter mandated product of a dynamic and cyclical budget process for the 59 community boards. The community boards consult with agencies on the capital and expense needs of the district. After consulting, each community board develops and votes separate priorities for up to 40 capital and 25 expense budget requests which the agencies review and respond to in the **Register of Community Board Requests for the Preliminary Budget** in January.

The Mayor's Office of Management and Budget (OMB) reviews these same budget requests and updates the responses for the Executive Budget, publishing them in the **Register of Community Board Requests for the Executive Budget** in April.

In May, the City Council holds public hearings on the Executive Budget. At these hearings, community boards, community groups and interested citizens may comment on the budget decisions contained in the Register.

In June, OMB publishes the **Register of Community Board Budget Requests for the Adopted Budget** which informs the boards of the final disposition of their original budget priorities. The Adopted Register contains responses that reflect the changes made to the Executive Budget by the City Council.

Capital project requests from community boards are site specific, and primarily for infrastructure or public facility improvements.

For more specific information about programs important to the community boards, refer to each agency's section in the Message of the Mayor for the Executive Capital and Expense Budgets.

Call 212-788-5943 for more information about the community board process including consultations, and the geographic versions of budget documents.

FORMAT OF THE REGISTER

The Register of Community Board Budget Requests is sorted into four versions: Community Board, Borough, Council and Agency. In all versions of the Register, each board's expense requests directly follow their capital requests. The requests are in board order.

LAYOUT OF BUDGET REQUESTS PAGES

Column 1: Priority Number

The priority assigned by a community board reflects the importance of that request as compared to its other requests. Boards may assign Continued Support (CS) to a project which received funding for construction in any year of the current Financial Plan.

Column 2: Tracking Code

The nine-digit identification number assigned to each community board budget request. Tracking codes are unique to each request and identify the borough, community district, year submitted, and request. The first digit refers to the borough, 1 = the Bronx, 2 = Brooklyn, 3 = Manhattan, 4 = Queens, and 5 = Staten Island; the second and third digits indicate the district number. The fourth through seventh digits represent the fiscal year for which the request was submitted, and the last two digits are the request number. The tenth character indicates whether it is a capital ("C") or expense ("E") budget request.

Column 3: Project Information

Request: A brief description of the project.

Explanation: Supporting information detailing the project, and its potential benefits.

Responsible Agency: The City agency which would implement the project.

Budget Line Number: The number assigned to a capital project that was previously funded or is included in any year of the current Financial Plan.

PROJECT ID: The Capital Project Information System identification number which allows projects to be entered into the City's computer tracking system. The number of the managing agency and the project identification number make up the PROJECT ID of the project.

Source of Request: Any group(s) which support the request.

Column 4: Response

The Preliminary Budget recommendation for each budget request.

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Priority	Tracking Code	Project Information	Agency Response
01	214202201C	<p>Request: Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</p> <p>Explanation: CD 14 ranks last in the city in terms of the number of residents who live more than a quarter of a mile away from a park. The public health ramifications have been demonstrated by the Covid 19 pandemic. This need is a high priority.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>More information is needed from the community board before making a funding decision. The community board should contact the agency.</p>
02	214202202C	<p>Request: Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</p> <p>Explanation: Umma Park is in need of updating - the equipment is antiquated and the surface is in disrepair. There has been a good deal of residential development in the area thus the population in surrounding neighborhood is increasing. This park is in the most dense, and the most socio-economically neighborhood in the District, yet is the only playground in the District to not have been recently rehabilitated. The time has come to address and improve this increasingly important community asset. When CB14 first requested this upgrade, the projected cost was \$1 million. The most recent cost projection is closer to \$2 million. The cost of not taking action is high. Let's get this done before the 255 unit residential building nearby fills with families in need of an outdoor amenity.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p> <p>Location Site Name: Umma Park</p>	<p>This request is partially funded. Contact the Department of Parks and Recreation for specifics.</p>

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03	214202203C	<p>Request: Upgrade or create new plazas</p> <p>Explanation: We urge DOT to include Newkirk Plaza into the Plaza Program. The infrastructure exists. An organization is willing to partner and the Plaza should be under the auspices of a City agency given that it is public property. The Covid 19 pandemic underscored the need for public outdoor space. This is one of the social determinants of public health and would serve as an economic development boost to businesses on the Plaza.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</p>	Further study by the agency of this request is needed.
04	214202204C	<p>Request: Provide a new or expand an existing elementary school</p> <p>Explanation: PS 139 is at 121% of utilization; PS 127 is at 125%; PS 249 is at 128%, PS 193 is at 111%; PS 315 is at 118% and the PS 152 Annex is at 146%. Since annexes are built to address overcrowding, an overcrowded annex boldly underscores the need for additional elementary school seats in the northern end of the District. The elementary schools listed above are all north of Avenue L.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Education</p>	Limited seat need has been identified in the area specified. Location for a school will be based on site availability.
05	214202205C	<p>Request: Other capital budget request for DOE</p> <p>Explanation: The ability of the education system to continue to educate students continues to rest on technology. The digital divide in the city was brought into sharp relief. Education attainment disparities are no doubt going to be exacerbated by the lack of access to technology in the home both in terms of devices and access to broadband. This is an urgent need in our community.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Education</p>	This request has already been funded.

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06	214202206C	<p>Request: Build or expand incubator or affordable work or research lab spaces</p> <p>Explanation: The expansion of broadband access to all parts of the city requires a focussed, equity driven investment. Commercial activity, work from home capacity, and education are all key to community productivity and resiliency.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Economic Development Corporation</p>	<p>Securing funding for this request is outside of EDC's jurisdiction; please contact the agency if you have any questions about the EDC budget process.</p>
07	214202207C	<p>Request: Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</p> <p>Explanation: The history of efforts to relocate this aging facility goes back three decades. In 2006, DCAS began property acquisition at 1326 Ocean Avenue and NYPD set aside \$30 million for the property, and OMB stated its commitment to identify additional funding. construction was set to begin in 2013. It did not and the site was lost to a market rate housing development. A scoping study to asses the feasibility of building a new precinct house on site reportedly acknowledges the locational challenges that the current site presents. Relocating the precinct house remains a priority. A new site search must be funded. In the meantime, the current precinct house floods and leaks and does not have adequate lockers, storage, or parking, nor it is handicap accessible.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p> <p>Location Site Name: 70th Precinct</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>

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08	214202208C	<p>Request: Rehabilitate bridges</p> <p>Explanation: DOT must take responsibility for the maintenance of pedestrian islands, dead ends, and sidewalk walls on road bridges. The Beverley Road bridge and the Caton Road bridge both require rehabilitation. The timeframe for repair or reinstallation of street signs continues to increase. Three years ago DOT identified \$60 million for trench repair but none of it was allocated to CD14, despite worsening conditions. There must be an increase in the expense budget for road and street infrastructure repair.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</p> <p>Location Address: Beverley Road Cross Street 1: Marlborough Rd Cross Street 2: Marlborough Rd</p>	This project is on hold.
09	214202209C	<p>Request: Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations</p> <p>Explanation: Fund station house renovations and upgrades at Engine 255/Ladder 157; Engine 281/Ladder 147 and Engine 250 firehouses. Including the addition of a station house generator at one of these fire stations. There are no firehouses in CD 14 with a generator.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Fire Department</p>	This request includes more than one proposal. Funding for part is recommended.
10	214202210C	<p>Request: Repair or upgrade subway stations or other transit infrastructure</p> <p>Explanation: Church Avenue is the most heavily utilized station in the District and is in disrepair. This line has had the most requests for security cameras.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</p> <p>Location Site Name: Church Ave Brighton Line Station Address: Church Ave and E 18 St</p>	For information regarding the status of this Request, contact the Transit Authority directly at telephone number 646-252-2660.

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11	214202211C	<p>Request: Roadway maintenance (i.e. pothole repair, resurfacing, trench restoration, etc.)</p> <p>Explanation: DOT had a \$60 million allocation for trench restoration and CB 14 received none of it. Six locations have been submitted to DOT. 564 East 29th Street; 1781 Ocean Avenue/SE corner of Avenue M; 715 Ocean Parkway Service Road; Waldorf Court between East 17 and Dead End; Hillel Place and Kenilworth Place intersection; 464-476 East 16th Street. The suggestion that Community Boards should turn to local elected officials to tend to trench conditions is irresponsible.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Transportation</p>	<p>A section of the requested locations are included in a project in DOT's 10-year Capital Plan. For the remaining locations, we recommend this project be brought to the attention of your elected officials, (i.e. Borough President, Council/Assembly member, or State Senator).</p>
12	214202212C	<p>Request: Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.</p> <p>Explanation: The 18th Avenue Stop on the Culver Line is on the same block as the United Cerebral Palsey complex. This stop was recently upgraded. It's unfortunate that accessibility was not one of the improvements.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</p> <p>Location Site Name: 18th Ave Culver Line Station</p>	<p>For information regarding the status of this Request, contact the Transit Authority directly at telephone number 646-252-2660.</p>
13	214202213C	<p>Request: Renovate or upgrade existing precinct houses</p> <p>Explanation: While NYPD continues the search for an appropriate location for a new precinct house, the current precinct house floods and leaks and does not have adequate lockers, storage, parking, nor it is handicap accessible.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>Further study by the agency of this request is needed.</p>

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14	214202214C	<p>Request: Provide surveillance cameras</p> <p>Explanation: This continues to be a common request from the community and the Precinct. CD 14 would defer to the CO as to most warranted location. While cameras are typically funded by allocations made by elected officials, we believe funding should be provided in the NYPD budget directly so that placement is not contingent on the interest level of whichever city councilmembers overlap with a Precinct.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>Argus cameras are funded via allocations from elected officials for use within their districts. Specific location recommendations should be provided to the local precinct commander for submission to the Information Technology Bureau once funding is allocated. The NYPD will attempt to accommodate specific location requests whenever funding is provided, but reserves the right to place cameras as appropriate due to current crime trends and operational needs.</p>
15	214202215C	<p>Request: Renovate other site component</p> <p>Explanation: Areas to store garbage before and then areas to place bags or containers for pick up need better planning and design. Too many schools place a large number of bags out too early in the day. They are often ripped and are adding to our rodent population and public health and safety concerns.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Education</p>	<p>This request is not recommended for funding.</p>
CS	214202216C	<p>Request: Provide new or upgrade existing sanitation garages or other sanitation infrastructure</p> <p>Explanation: We are gratified that the condemned heating and cooling systems installed on the BK14 roof will be upgraded in the upcoming fiscal year so that the garage has heat in the winter and adequate cooling in the summer.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Sanitation</p>	<p>This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the construction contract has been let.</p>

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CS	214202217C	<p>Request: Create a new, or renovate or upgrade an existing public library</p> <p>Explanation: The following capital improvements are needed at our local libraries: Cortelyou Branch - safety and security enhancements; Flatbush Branch - safety and security enhancements, and abatement; Midwood Branch - safety and security enhancements, boiler, HVAC, roof. In CD 14 investments include an \$8.2 million project at the Flatbush Branch, which has been allocated.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Brooklyn Public Library</p>	This request includes more than one proposal. Funding for part is recommended.

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01	214202201E	<p>Request: Provide more community board staff</p> <p>Explanation: CB 14 staff address hundreds of service delivery requests annually. We organize and annual youth conference and nonprofit roundtable. Increasing responsibilities have been assigned and hiring staff and specialists, such as planners, policy analysts, IT assistance, would help to introduce more initiatives and develop longer range projects. Ultimately, we could better complement a complaint driven role with more proactive, grass roots plans. As the most local city agency, we give voice to the individuals who make up our communities. The current health and resulting budget crisis will make it harder to city agencies to reach the most local levels and communities will be all the more frustrated. We are their liaison and our role more important than ever.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Mayor's Office of Management and Budget</p>	<p>The City is enacting a Savings Plan which will impact Community Boards' Budgets.</p>
02	214202202E	<p>Request: Other programs to address public health issues requests</p> <p>Explanation: Public health programs must be updated to address the Corona virus pandemic, it's impact on our community and apply lessons learned. Education and programs to address health disparities that were laid bare in the wake of the pandemic must be addressed. Education, supplies and support to better respond to the pandemic were not well managed and caused confusion. The need to impress upon our residents their roles in stemming the spread must be a reliable campaign ongoingly.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</p>	<p>This is not in the City's budget jurisdiction. Contact OMB's Community Board Unit.</p>

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03	214202203E	<p>Request: Other cleaning requests</p> <p>Explanation: There are 1200 road segments in CD 14. Given the number of dead ends, overpasses, and road bridges, cleaning is a persistent need. The evisceration of MLP, which is the only operation that cleans CD14's 54 dead ends streets, the severe reduction in basket collection, the reduction in lot cleaning, cancellation of electronics collection and organics is a myopic response in a city striving to recover its health and economy. DSNY stepped up to the plate in the midst of a public health crises like no other agency. In fact, BK14 assisted DPR in the aftermath of October's storm, while still maintaining collection and balancing schedule changes necessary to keep the workplace safe. The city must restore full funding for this agency in service to our community.</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>
04	214202204E	<p>Request: Provide more frequent litter basket collection</p> <p>Explanation: You've got to be kidding us. CB 14 fought for nearly a decade for the return of this baseline service. When DSNY provides six day a week service, there is an immediate and noticeable improvement . It allowed for additional corner baskets on commercial streets. We urge the Department to restore this funding.</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>
05	214202205E	<p>Request: Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations</p> <p>Explanation: Four out of five top 311 requests are for HPD inspections and violation enforcement. CB 14 ranks 12th in the city in the number of housing code violations per 1000 residents, and only 40% of rental units are considered adequate. The deficit of affordable housing is projected to grow by 150,000 units in the wake of the pandemic. Maintaining housing that exists now helps to stem this crises. Adequate housing is pivotal to health outcomes, and an urgent need in recovering from this public health crises.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Housing Preservation & Development</p>	<p>The agency will accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p>

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06	214202206E	<p>Request: Expand street outreach</p> <p>Explanation: Reports on homeless encampments and regarding individuals who appear to be homeless have increased over the past year. Common Ground is the current contractor and provides excellent service. Given the increase in calls to the Community Board, the Police and 311, an increase in outreach services is warranted. These teams must be equipped with professionals who can assist those who are not technically homeless, but are on the street due to substance use.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Homeless Services</p>	<p>The Agency continually works with Provider organizations to enhance services that are working successfully. Identifying best practices and expanding those services are a ideal.</p>
07	214202207E	<p>Request: Provide, expand, or enhance rental assistance programs</p> <p>Explanation: Community District 14 ranks 11th of 59 in the percentage of severely rent burdened household - 35% up from 30% the year before. The District ranks 8th in the percent of renter households that are severely overcrowded. Nearly 35% of renters in the District pay over 50% of their household income on monthly rent. Affordability of rentals (at 80% of AMI) decreased from 2010-2017, from 71.3% to only 49%. These are pressures that lend themselves to homelessness and continued expansion of prevention programs is warranted.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Human Resources Administration</p>	<p>The Agency provides services for people who are eligible under certain guidelines.</p>
08	214202208E	<p>Request: Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program</p> <p>Explanation: According to our Youth Conference attendees survey, the biggest draw for the 600 youth who attended out annual conference was jobs. The impact of Covid 19 on the SYEP program and DYCD's shift to only remote opportunities will have a residual impact in the upcoming years. Given the very small percentage of applicants who are placed in summer jobs, it is imperative that DYCD jobs programs be expanded and dependably funded. Additional focus on building capacity at the CBO level to expand programming into underserved communities that were more highly impacted by Covid 19 is imperative.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Youth & Community Development</p>	<p>In summer 2020, when health and safety concerns didn't allow for the full in-person SYEP; DYCD implemented the Summer Bridge program. The agency looks forward to returning to the in-person model as soon as health and safety conditions allow.</p>

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09	214202209E	<p>Request: Other foster care and child welfare requests</p> <p>Explanation: The agency has made positive strides in reducing caseloads. This effort must be continued, but there is a concern that demand for casework will increase as the city opens and children come into contact with mandated reporters. The stress placed on households and access to support is a combination for concern.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Administration for Children's Services</p>	ACS appreciates support from the Community Board.
10	214202210E	<p>Request: Increase staffing for homebound adult programs</p> <p>Explanation: Case management, home care, legal services, and transportation services are generally intertwined. There is no way to prioritize the needs of one senior citizen over those of another and it would be folly to provide transportation over home care for a senior who is need of both. The funding of these services must be designed with the approach that support services are inextricable.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</p>	At this time, DFTA has very limited or no funding for this purpose. We will continue to advocate for federal and state funds and to work with other city agencies toward the goal. When funding is available, we are required to conduct an open competition.
11	214202211E	<p>Request: Other commercial district revitalization requests</p> <p>Explanation: Supporting venues that generate social capital and drive economic development is key to post pandemic recovery. Kings Theater was an EDC project that is owned and managed by a private entity and is a for profit enterprise, the Tow Performing Arts Center is housed at a public institution of higher education but runs ticketed events, the Mayor's Office of Media and Entertainment permitted over 150 film and television productions in our 2.9 square miles of space in 2019. These enterprises generate a good deal of profit with the support of public space and financing. There should be some sort of mechanism that directs some funding back to the local community that often bears significant inconvenience from these activities.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Small Business Services</p>	Further study of this request is needed by SBS. Please contact SBS.

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12	214202212E	<p>Request: Create or promote programs to de-stigmatize mental health needs and encourage treatment</p> <p>Explanation: There were approximately 657 (per 100,000 adults) psychiatric hospitalizations last year, compared to 743 Brooklyn wide and 684 citywide. In addition alcohol and drug related hospitalizations were 836 and 649 per 100,000 respectively. The stresses of impacts of the pandemic are well documented throughout communities. Many times people who are reported as homeless actually have homes but are on the streets to use. Teams specifically geared to engage with mental illness and substance abuse would be a valuable complement to street outreach.</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>
13	214202213E	<p>Request: Funding for a new senior center program</p> <p>Explanation: Engage in reimagining an RFP for senior centers that could continue some programming that would allow for social distanced but in person services, while expanding needed remote programming. DFTA was amazingly deft in pivoting to providing remote service to a vulnerable population and developing new volunteer programs. This shift to ensure the continuity of service should be fully funded.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department for the Aging</p>	<p>Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.</p>
14	214202214E	<p>Request: Other expense budget request for DEP</p> <p>Explanation: Fund DEP to continue the development, in tandem with institutions of higher learning and DOHMH, for wastewater testing for evidence of virus in order to respond to public health threats.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection</p>	<p>Approval of this request depends on sufficient Federal/State funds.</p>

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15	214202215E	<p>Request: Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs</p> <p>Explanation: The Community Board supports the continuation and expansion of programs that are so valuable in connecting our community members to literacy and culture. From small children, to teens, adults and older adults, the breadth of library programming is impressive and invaluable. These programs will only be all the more important as the community recovers from the myriad impacts of the Covid 19 pandemic.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Brooklyn Public Library</p>	<p>This request includes more than one proposal. Funding for part is recommended.</p>
16	214202216E	<p>Request: Inspect water main on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed</p> <p>Explanation: There are several locations in the District that flood chronically in rainstorms. These locations have all been brought to DEP's attention and we are awaiting determination as to cause. DCP has provided a limited drop down list from which to choose a budget priority. We ask the DEP respond to the requests pending and advise as to what the respective issues are so that we can identify what budget line these requests fall into. The bottom line is that DEP must provide solutions to these locations because property, businesses and public areas should not have to withstand chronic flooding. Several claims have been filed with the City of New York.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Environmental Protection</p>	<p>Further study by the agency of this request is needed.</p>
17	214202217E	<p>Request: Forestry services, including street tree maintenance</p> <p>Explanation: Flatbush and Midwood boast 11,319 street trees, including 121 different species according to DPR's census. Argyle Road is considered the "leafiest" in Brooklyn. A more robust pruning cycle is still necessary. Requests for emergency pruning and fallen branches have not subsided in the District. The October 2020 storm left limbs, branches and entire trees blocking sidewalks, driveways and streets for days. Clean up took months. Contractors cancelled and DSNY was redirected to help clear our community. It seems that DPR needs a better funded and more robust contracting practice or, better yet, increase the budget to bring the work in house.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation</p>	<p>Parks Department funds are insufficient for this purpose. We recommend this request be brought to the attention of your Council Members.</p>

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18	214202218E	<p>Request: Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)</p> <p>Explanation: Too many complaints are closed out due to lack of access while unpermitted work continues to the point of completion. Better timing of inspections, additional attempts and more detailed follow ups would assist in the ability to enforcement myriad violations.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Buildings</p>	<p>This project was funded in a prior fiscal year and the scope is now underway.</p>
19	214202219E	<p>Request: Animal and pest control requests including reducing rat and mosquito populations</p> <p>Explanation: CD 14 continues to be among the highest number of rodent complaints in the City and those complaints are on the way to doubling from 300 in 2018 to 600 in 2019. While DOHMH continues to increase the number of inspections performed annually, these efforts are outpaced by conditions contributing to rodent infestations. Increased coordination with DOB's abatement rules for construction sites, with DSNY to address illegal dumping and school collections, and with the public at large to educate people on the down side of feeding feral cats and birds are warranted.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene</p>	<p>The agency will try to accommodate this issue within existing resources.</p>
20	214202220E	<p>Request: Provide more firefighters or EMS workers</p> <p>Explanation: Fund adequate new firefighter, Marshall, EMS and inspector hires. Given the pace of development and the density that is adding to our community, it is imperative that we ensure that staffing remain optimal and that the addition of a 5th firefight on the truck is expanded to firehouses serving our community. Two years ago more than a dozen Fire Marshalls were hired and dedicated to Brooklyn. The increase is useful and should be augmented by additional hires for Marshalls and inspectors in FY 20.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Fire Department</p>	<p>In the Preliminary Budget, Citywide personnel/program/ equipment funds are maintained in FY 2022. Allocations are scheduled by the agency only after budget adoption.</p>

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21	214202221E	<p>Request: Provide more frequent litter basket collection</p> <p>Explanation: Provide garages with weed wackers, bolt cutters, pruning sheers and other tools to assist with lots, dead ends, and DOT pedestrian islands.</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>
22	214202222E	<p>Request: Expand public programming and activation of City-owned sites</p> <p>Explanation: Develop and RFP for Newkirk Plaza. The Plaza is a platform over MTA NYCT's Brighton Line station. However, NYCT does not recognize the street level pedestrian mall as being under its purview. Likewise, while the Plaza offers public access, and serves as walkway flanked by approximately 20 stores, DOT does not include the Plaza in its inventory of sidewalks in the public right of way. Furthermore, DOT will not accept Newkirk Plaza into the DOT Pedestrian Plaza program, despite the fact that Newkirk Plaza is prototypical. Since this is publically owned land, EDC should develop and RFP so that the space can be assumed and programed by an interested party for better maintenance, programming and public benefit.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Economic Development Corporation</p> <p>Location Site Name: Newkirk Plaza</p>	<p>Securing funding for this request is outside of EDC's jurisdiction; please contact the agency if you have any questions about the EDC budget process.</p>
23	214202223E	<p>Request: Other transit service requests</p> <p>Explanation: Assume responsibility for the maintenance of Newkirk Plaza. As the gateway to one of MTA's most unique stations, atop America's first outdoor shopping Plaza, there is an opportunity to improve and program the Plaza. An local CBO has expressed interest in a partnership that could mimic the community garden at the Church Avenue station, which inarguably has improved the exterior conditions and the community perspective on that station.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Transit Authority</p>	<p>For information regarding the status of this Request, contact the Transit Authority directly at telephone number 646-252-2660.</p>

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Priority	Tracking Code	Project Information	Agency Response
24	214202224E	<p>Request: Increase enforcement of canine waste laws</p> <p>Explanation: Illegal drop offs and dumping at commercial baskets, dead-ends, tree pits, etc is an ongoing complaint. Resident bring garbage to corner baskets, construction and other commercial debris are often found under elevated train tracks. Often the sanitation workers, supervisors and police know who the offenders are but the rules for enforcement require a stake out. Funding to increase enforcement's capacity to stake out chronic locations, day and night, could make an enormous difference in the public health, safety and appearance of our District.</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>
25	214202225E	<p>Request: Assign additional crossing guards</p> <p>Explanation: This is an increasing request. New schools have opened, new developments are in the pipeline. The Community Board defers to the Police Precinct to assign additional crossing guards to new locations.</p> <p>Responsible Agency: Police Department</p>	<p>NYPD staffing levels depend on decision made in the Preliminary and Executive budget process. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic and the current fiscal crisis, along with calls to defund the police, the FY'21 Adopted budget does not include funding for additional uniformed and civilian staffing.</p>