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# The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

# Budget Committee Meeting Wednesday, September 12, 2012 Community Board 8 Office, 505 Park Avenue, Suite 620

Members Present: John Bartos, Roy Carlin, Barbara Chocky, A. Scott Falk, Jacqueline Ludorf

Member of the Public: Gladys Sanders-Valdes, Gus Christensen

## 1. Discussion and Preparation of FY2014 Capital and Expense Budget Requests.

Those present reviewed CB8's FY2013 priorities for FY 2014 budget requests.

## **Capital Budget Priorities**

- 1) Increase funding for permanent housing for homeless people.
- 2) Provide funding for a ramp at the Yorkville Branch Library.
- 3) Provide funding to repair and restore the entire Esplanade including the pilings on the lower level between 59<sup>th</sup> and 63<sup>rd</sup> Streets.
- 4) Fund repair of roof at 67<sup>th</sup> Street Library to protect recently restored millions spent on this branch
- 5) Fund the installation of Fire Alarm system for the Yorkville and Webster Branch libraries
- 6) Fund a fully built park along the East River between 60<sup>th</sup> and 63<sup>rd</sup> Streets
- 7) Fund full renovation of Carnegie Hill Library located at 112 East 96<sup>th</sup> Street
- 8) Fund the expansion of the Roosevelt Island Branch Library
- 9) Fund the installation of pedestrian countdown timers and audible accessible crossings signals for intersections
- 10) Provide funding for an elevator at the Yorkville Branch Library.
- 11) Install historic lamppost in historic districts

#### **Continuing Support/Capital:**

- CS Funding for the creation of an Older Adult recreation area in John Jay Park
- CS Fund rooftop HVAC at 67<sup>th</sup> Street Library
- CS Provide funding for the renovation of the woman's homeless shelter at the Park Avenue Armory
- CS Provide funding for air conditioning in all homeless shelters
- CS Provide funding to construct additional public school seats to accommodate current and projected overcrowding
- CS Provide funding to reconstruction of the 81st Street Bridge over the FDR
- CS Provide funding for Third Water Tunnel Mains
- CS Provide funding to upgrade the computer center at Hunter College Campus School
- CS Provide funding for the renovation of the Jacqueline Grennan Wexler Library

# VOTE: 5 In Favor, (Bartos, Carlin, Chocky, Falk, Ludorf) 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions

#### **Expense Budget Priorities**

- 1) Continue to fund Out of School Time Programs for all children who go to school in Community District 8 or who have parents that work in Community Board 8.
- 2) Increase funding for youth programs in Community Board 8.

- 3) Increase funding for Rodent Extermination on city streets especially locations within the Second Avenue Subway construction area.
- 4) Fund the NYC Department of Sanitation for the placement of "rat-proof" garbage containers with lids in Community Board 8 Parks and throughout the district.
- 5) Provide funding for exterminators of all parks within Community Board 8.
- 6) Increase funding for services to Older Adults, including Personal and Home Care; Transportation Services; Meals-On-Wheels; and Senior Congregate Care Meal Programs.
- 7) Increase funding for additional Park maintenance staff, tree pruners and tree climbers.
- 8) Increase funding for Homeless Services Outreach personnel, especially during the overnight hours and provide the Department of Homeless Services with updated Information Technology equipment.
- 9) Provide funding to the NYC Department of Transportation for the necessary materials and personnel to repair potholes and repave avenues and major cross-town streets more frequently than every 10 years within Community Board 8.
- 10) Increase the number of workers to repair and preserve the Department of Transportations infrastructure-(Bridges and Roads)
- 11) Preserve funding for year round workers at NYC Department of Parks and Recreation.
- 12) Provide funding to purchase Bobcat and accessories for NYC Department of Parks and Recreation for Community Board 8
- 13) Provide additional funding for Children's Services, especially programs to prevent abuse and neglect.
- 14) Provide funding for additional Traffic Control Agents
- 15) Provide additional funding for Eviction Prevention Services for At-Risk Senior Citizens.
- 16) Increase funding for the Department of Health enforcement of all Food Vendor rules and regulations.
- 17) Provide funding to all NYPL to maintain six-day service, increase hours, resources and programs.
- 18) Restore funding for all staffing of FDNY Fire Marshalls.
- 19) Provide funding for small business loans to all businesses affected by Second Avenue Subway construction.
- 20) Fund additional PEP officers for all Community District 8 Parks.
- 21) Maintain recycling program
- 22) Continue funding to insure all NYCHA community and senior centers remain open.
- 23) Fund additional DCA inspectors for sidewalk café and street vendor regulation enforcement.
- 24) Fund additional NYPD Police Officers

## VOTE: 5 in Favor, (Bartos, Carlin, Chocky, Falk, Ludorf) 0 Opposed, 0 Abstentions

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.*