Statements of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests

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INTRODUCTION

The annual Statements of Community District Needs (CD Needs Statements) and Community Board Budget Requests (Budget Requests) are Charter mandates that form an integral part of the City's budget process. Together, they are intended to support communities in their ongoing consultations with city agencies, elected officials and other key stakeholders and influence more informed decision making on a broad range of local planning and budget priorities. This report also provides a valuable public resource for neighborhood planning and research purposes, and may be used by a variety of audiences seeking information about New York City's diverse communities.

HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

This report represents Bronx Community Board 10's *Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020*. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from June to November 2018.

Community boards may provide substantive supplemental information together with their Statements and Budget Requests. This supporting material can be accessed by clicking on the links provided in the document or by copying and pasting them into a web browser, such as Chrome, Safari or Firefox.

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This report is broadly structured as follows:

a) Overarching Community District Needs

Sections 1 - 4 provide an overview of the community district and the top three pressing issues affecting this district overall as identified by the community board. Any narrative provided by the board supporting their selection of their top three pressing issues is included.

b) Policy Area - Specific District Needs

Section 5 is organized by seven distinct policy areas aligned with the service and program areas of city agencies. For each policy area, community boards selected the most important issue for their districts and could provide a supporting narrative. The policy area section also includes any agency-specific needs and a list of relevant budget requests submitted by the community board. If the community board submitted additional information outside of a specific policy area, it may be found in Section 6.

c) Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY20 budget cycle; one list for capital and another for expense budget requests. For each budget request, community boards were able to provide a priority number, explanation, location, and supporters. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests submitted to city agencies.

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Budget Requests: Listed for informational purposes only. OMB remains the definitive source on budget requests and budget request responses.

Budget Priorities: Priority numbers apply to expense and capital Budget requests from all policy areas. A complete list of expense and capital budget requests by this Board sorted by priority can be found in Section 7 of this document.

Supporting Materials: Some community boards provided substantive supplemental information. This supportive material can be accessed by clicking on the links provided in the document or by copying and pasting the links provided in the Appendix into a browser.

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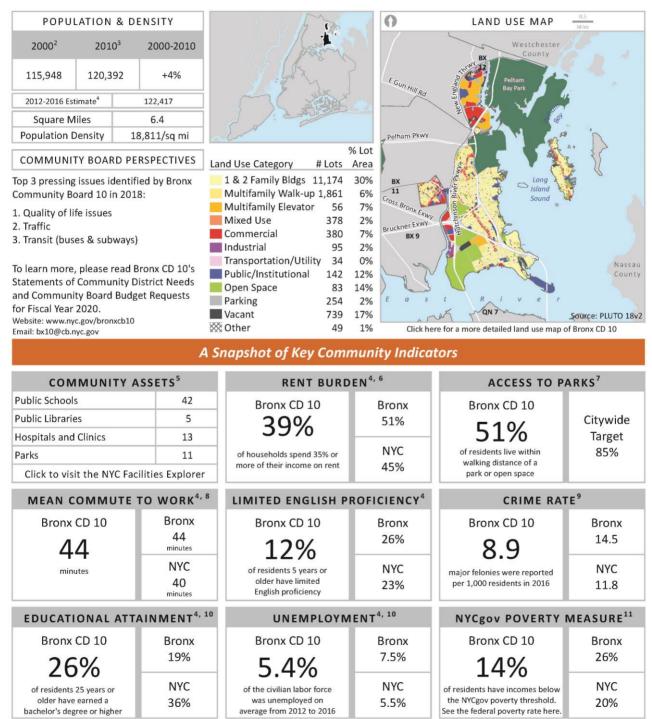
2. Community District Profile

Visit the Community District Profiles to view data, maps, and other resources describing New York City's 59 community districts at: https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov/

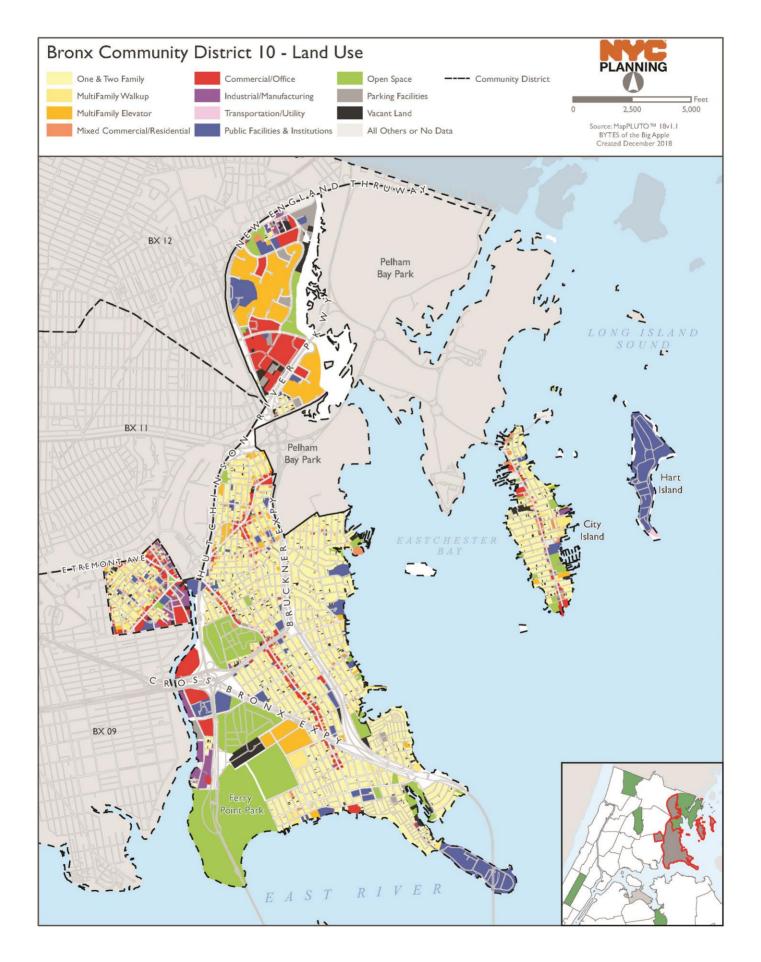
Bronx Community District 10



Neighborhoods1: City Island, Co-op City, Country Club, Edgewater Park, Pelham Bay, Schuylerville, Throgs Neck, Westchester Square



¹Neighborhoods may be in multiple districts. Names and boundaries are not officially designated. ²2000 US Census; ³2010 US Census; ⁴American Community Survey 2012-2016 5-Year Estimates, calculated for Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs). PUMAs are geographic approximations of community districts. ⁵NYC Dept of City Planning Facilites Database (2017); ⁶ Differences of less than 3 percentage points are not statistically meaningful. ⁷NYC Dept of Parks and Recreation (DPR) (2016). DPR considers walking distance to be 1/4 mile for parks less than 6 acres, and 1/2 mile for larger parks and pools. ⁸Differences of less than 2 meaningful. ⁷NYC Dept of Sufferences of less than 2 meaningful. ¹¹Differences of less than 2 meaningful. ¹¹Differences of less than 3 acres and 1/2 mile for larger parks and pools. ¹²Differences of less than 2 meaningful. ¹¹Differences of less than 2 meaningful. ¹¹Differences of less than 3 meaningful. ¹¹Differences of less than 4 meaningful. ¹¹Differences of less than 5 acres, and 1/2 mile for the Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity accounts for NYC's high cost of housing, as well as other costs of living and anti-poverty benefits.



3. Overview of Community District

Bronx Community Board #10 is one of the largest geographic Community Board Districts in the borough of The Bronx. The Board serves the communities of Pelham Bay, City Island, Country Club, Throggs Neck, Co-op City, Westchester Square and Zerega. It features one of the most diverse housing categories in the City. It primarily consists of 1-3 family homes. However, it is home to the largest housing cooperative in New York State in Co-op City and is home to a sizable public housing stock in that of Middletown Plaza, Throggs Neck Houses and Randall-Balcom Houses.

Bronx Community Board #10 is a district surrounded by the following water bodies: Eastchester Bay, Long Island Sound and the East River. These bodies of water highlight the need for storm resiliency measures that will protect our communities from tidal surges that are expected to come from major storms such as Hurricane Sandy. As proper stewards for the Board's service areas, we at Bronx CB #10 took it upon ourselves to conduct an examination of the Board's storm surge defenses. We were ably assisted in this effort by the Bronx Borough President's Office and the Fund for the City of New York, who provided us with an Urban Fellow, who was a graduate student at Pratt Institute, to conduct a comprehensive survey of our shoreline communities and to determine the type of defenses against storm surges that are needed. The research yielded recommendations such as earth berms, rock jetties and sea walls control coastal flooding from the storms. The Board further felt that the storm sewers should be examined as well. High functioning and adequately sized sewers are needed for the water to drain off. The Board is interested in seeing DEP and DOT develop joint projects for these purposes.

Bronx Community Board #10 is experiencing population growth in nearly all of its neighborhoods. It is crucial that the City continue to renovate our parks, increase recreational programming for children and seniors, increase school seats, refurbish and maintain our roads and sidewalks, further commit to the livelihood of our small businesses through business improvement district formation and repair our public housing stock so that our most vulnerable are protected. With population growth comes further strains on our public resources such as mass transit. Bronx Community Board #10 residents experience one of the longest subway rides to Manhattan according to New York University. With this in mind, it is crucial for the City of New York to study ways to take advantage of our largely unused waterways for possible ferry service and to find ways to expand bus service throughout all of Co-op City and City Island. Bronx Community Board #10 stands ready to support measures that will go toward enhancing the quality-of-life our residents. The City should take the ensuing priorities as the start of a much larger endeavor to plan the future of Bronx Community Board #10 in a way that enhances quality-of-life and ensures that the Board's service areas are seeing the resources it needs.

4. Top Three Pressing Issues Overall

The three most pressing issues facing Bronx Community Board 10 are:

- Quality of life issues (noise, graffiti, petty crime, etc.)
- Traffic
- Transit (buses & subways)

Bronx Community Board #10 chose quality-of-life, resiliency measures and transit as its three most pressing needs. However, senior services, recreational and cultural programming at our parks, cleanliness along our corridors, thriving schools, traffic mitigation and an increased focus on quality-of-life enforcement are issues that many of our residents want the City to continue to focus on going forward.

According to the City's Department of City Planning, many of Board #10's residents are aging in place. We ask that the City provide the Board Service Area with more resources through the Department for the Aging for our seniors. Bronx Community Board #10 is home to the largest park in the City of New York. The need for more Parks Enforcement Officers is an annual request. Additionally, Pelham Bay Park needs more staffing to protect its unique horticulture. According to the City's Department of City Planning, Bronx Community Board #10 has one of the higher car-usage rates. We ask that the City (and the State of New York) assist us with extensive traffic mitigation and further resources for the repair and maintenance of our subways as well as examine the feasibility of transit alternatives along our waterfronts. Bronx Community Board #10 is seeing an increase in residential and commercial development. Neighborhood context and identity are items we will discuss with City Planning to ensure that zoning protects our neighborhoods' character.

Bronx Community Board #10 is serviced by the 45th Precinct. Because the Board Service Area is bounded by highways, we ask that the City enforce quality-of-life concerns so that our neighborhoods see a decrease in grand larceny and petty crimes. 45th Precinct officers are detailed annually to other areas such as Yankee Stadium which reduces manpower. Bronx Community Board #10 asks that the City provide the Board Service Area with adequate policing resources at all times as the safety of our communities is our priority.

Lastly, Bronx Community Board #10 streets and roadways are constantly flooding during rainstorms. A storm such as Hurricane Sandy will only make matters worse. We ask that the City's Department of Environmental Protection contact the Board to begin studying areas where flooding is constant. Resiliency measures are needed throughout our waterfront communities.

Health Care and Human Services



Main Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

Other | Respiratory issues and opiod addictions

Our Board sits at the confluence of three major highways, the New England Thruway, the Bruckner Expressway and the Cross Bronx Expressway. The northeast Bronx has one the highest incidences of respiratory disease in the City according to the City's Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Board requests that the City study transportation alternatives such as ferry service to help order to lessen the footprint of vehicles and trucks in our neighborhood. The Board also requests that the City provide resources for outreach and education campaigns so that residents can take measures on how to improve their respiratory health. Additionally, Bronx Community Board #10 asks that the City continue its aggressive enforcement and educational campaign on the adverse effects of using opiods. Throughout the years, young people have lost their lives due to opioid addiction. We thank the City for continuing to expand services and for educating our community. Lastly, the City of New York should encourage mortgage holders of vacant properties to routinely clean its properties. Bronx Community Board #10 is fielding more complaints of raccoons and possums harming neighboring properties because of a property owner's negligence. The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene should look into enforcement of this matter.

Community District Needs Related to Health Care Facilities and Programming

Our Board is served by the Jack D. Weiler Hospital of Montefiore Medical Center and its medical school, the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. We are also served by Jacobi Hospital of NYC Health and Hospitals (NYC H+H). The two hospitals are in close proximity to each other. By contract and custom, the medical school provides physicians to Jacobi Hospital. Both have busy emergency rooms that are used by many residents of our borough. To counteract this, we ask that the City, through the NYC H+H, develop an educational campaign as to the use and drawbacks of emergency service care and when an alternative, such as an urgent care, may be better suited for them.

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

According to City Planning, Bronx Community Board #10's is home too a high senior citizen population. Co-op City is a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community, or NORC. With this in mind, Bronx Community Board #10 asks that the City, through DFTA and its corresponding senior centers, invest in more case management, educational activities, trips and health promotion for our seniors.

Community District Needs Related to Facilities and Services for the Homeless

Bronx Community Board #10 is located in the northeast Bronx. Its business services are concentrated in several commercial areas: E. Tremont Avenue, Crosby Avenue, Westchester Square, Bartow Avenue and City Island Avenue. DHS placed a shelter for 95 women and children in a former hotel, on the outskirts of our Board area. It has no laundry facilities on site, so the women must take two buses to reach the nearest laundry mat. There are no cooking facilities (microwaves in the rooms) flouting the requirements of the Comptroller's Memorandum governing Emergency Contracts that states such facilities must be located in rooms where women with children or pregnant women are domiciled. There is anecdotal evidence from the community at large, that the meals offered to the clients at the shelter are unappetizing and that they are often discarded. One of the contractual goals of the shelter operators is to provide the clients with opportunities for job training. employment and enhanced social services. Bronx Community Board #10 is home to three City of New York-operated shelters. We ask that the City bear in mind that under the Fair Share Criteria, Bronx Community Board #10 has met its requirement.

Health Care and Human Services



Community District Needs Related to Services for Low-Income and Vulnerable New Yorkers

Many CB #10 residents apply for and receive SNAP Benefits. According to City Planning's Community District Profile, CB #10's unemployment is higher than the City's average while roughly 20% of our residents are seniors. Simply put, SNAP benefits are a lifeline for many residents and we ask that the City to enhance this resource with additional funding. The City of New York should study the feasibility of having a SNAP Center in the confines of CB #10 so that our seniors and low-income families do not have to travel to other parts of the borough.

Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/24	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	CB #10 asks that Glebe Avenue Senior Center become a full-time center. Currently, the center is operated by the YMCA as a part-time program. Glebe House, at 2125 Glebe Avenue, Bronx NY 10462, is the Senior Citizen Component for the NYCHA managed Castle Hill Houses.	Glebe Avenue Senior Center 2125 Glebe Avenue
13/24	DOHMH	Reduce mosquito populations	Many of the communities in our Board service area are surrounded by water. We ask that the NYC DOHMH work with the Board to form a more targeted approach to mosquito praying. Our waterfront communities and Pelham Bay Park need the assistance.	Community Wide
14/24	DHS	Expand street outreach	Bronx Works is a vital resource to our community. The Board Office contacts the agency routinely to service homeless persons. We ask that the City continue to fund this agency.	Community Wide

5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Main Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

After school programs

The need for after school programming is paramount in Bronx Community Board #10. Organizations such as the YMCA and other non-profits, funded through the New York City Council, go a long way toward keeping our children active and safe. We ask that the City expand after school programming throughout Community District #10.

Community District Needs Related to Youth and Community Services and Programs

Community Board #10 requests that all of the after-school and out-of-school programs receive full funding.

Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/15	SCA	Provide technology	Bronx Community Board #10 supports P.S. 304 PTA's	P.S. 304
		upgrade	request for security cameras throughout the other	
			schools at its location. We also support this request for	
			all of Bronx Community Board #10 public schools.	

Youth, Education and Child Welfare



Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)	The on-site after school programming in CB #10 are the following elementry schools: The Child development Center of the Mosholu Montefiore Community Center at PS 153, the Child Development Center of the Mosholu Montefiore Community Center at PS 160, the Directions For Our Youth Program at PS 72, the Kips Bay Program at PS 304, the Kips Bay Program at Throggs Neck Community Association of NYCHA , Sports and Arts in Schools Foundation at PS 178 and PS 175, the YMCA Program at PS 14 , are excellent and require additional funding.	Community Wide
2/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for middle school students (grades 6- 8)	The on-site after school programming at the following Middle Schools should receive increased funding: The Child Development Center of the Mosholu Montefiore Community Center at the Equality Charter School, Direction for Youth at IS 180 and IS 181, East Side Houses at the (Urban Assembly Academy of Civic Engagement), Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club at MS101X, Sports and Arts In Schools Foundation at Truman HS , Xposure Foundation at Mott Hall School, New York Junior Tennis League at PS 71. The Phipps Community Development Beacon Program at IS 192 Piagentini- Jones School should be fully funded.	Community Wide
10/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program	We are encouraged by the City's commitment to increase funding for the summer youth employment program. We ask that the City continue to enhance this vital program.	Community Wide
12/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	CB #10 is in close proximity to Montefiore Hospital, Jacobi Hospital, Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Calvary Hospital. The Board recommends that the City establish a uniquely-specialized high school such as one that pertains to the field health care. An example of this model is the High School for Medical Professions in the borough of Brooklyn.	Proximity to Montefiore Hospital
24/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	Bronx Community Board #10 asks that the City study the feasibility of a youth center in Co-op City.	

Public Safety and Emergency Services

Main Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

General crime

The 45th Precinct lost its dedicated drug module. It now shares it with the neighboring 43rd Precinct. With the opiod epidemic, it is best the precincts have its own. We ask that the City's Police Department and Bronx Patrol Borough look to establish a drug module at the 45th Precinct. Additionally, Bronx Community Board #10 is constantly concerned that our district is not receiving the manpower it deserves to address quality-of-life concern. We ask that the NYPD provide in writing to us why the City feels our precinct has adequate manpower.

Community District Needs Related to Policing and Crime

The entirety of the 45th Precinct is surrounded by highways. We ask that the City give the 45th Precinct its own drug module and continue to enforce quality-of-life issues such as noise. Additionally, we thank the NYPD for establishing the Neighborhood Coordination Officers program this calendar year.

Community District Needs Related to Emergency Services

Emergency services are crucial components to the livelihood of a community. We ask that the FDNY, along with the NYPD, report to the Board in writing that any location service apparatus being used is accurate. For example, the community of Edgewater Park is often misidentified. The City should work with the Board immediately on this issue.

Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/24	NYPD	Other NYPD staff resources requests	Establishments along corridors such as East Tremont Avenue, Westchester Avenue and Bartow Avenue recieve the bulk of noise complaints in Community Board #10. We ask that the City provide the 45th Precinct with additional sound meters.	2877 Barkley Avenue
11/24	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	Equip the agency with large tow trucks and a facility in which impounded trucks can be stored.	Community Wide

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency



Main Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Protective Infrastructure (sea walls, flood walls, etc.)

Almost all of Bronx Community Board #10 communities are bounded by the East River, Long Island Sound and Eastchester Bay. During Hurricane Sandy several of our communities, most notably City Island and Edgewater Park, were severely damaged. Had the wind not changed course, the damage to our Community Board's waterfront communities would have been devastating. The Board is interested in seeing the protective systems installed that will serve as breaks to storm surges. Additionally, the Board would like to see the sewers assessed to determine if they are sized correctly to handle the very large storm flow that will come onto the land.

Community District Needs Related to Water, Sewers and Environmental Protection

Bronx Community Board #10 would like to see a joint DEP/DOT program to survey our areas and install storm breaks like earthen berms and sea walls. If a major hurricane type storm were to hit our Board, we would experience storm surges that would deposit massive amounts of water on land causing massive damage and flooding that would result in stagnant pools of water that will take days to drain, because the sewers are inadequate to meet the increased demands of drainage. Neighborhoods like City Island would experience flooding on streets like Tier, Bay, Fordham, Hawkins, Carroll, Centre, Winter, Early, Pell, Reynolds, Pilot, Marine, Buckley, Horton, Schofield, Rochelle, Beach, Kilroe, Sutherland and Terrace Streets; King Avenue and Fordham Place are inadequately protected. In Edgewater Park, which has a sea wall, 1st, 2nd and 4th Avenue, Pennyfield Avenue and Soundview Drive are vulnerable; Silver Beach, which also has a sea wall, is also prone to flooding. Acorn, Beach, Ceder, Daisy, Elm, Fern, Geranium, and Hazel Streets, Ivy, Jasmine, Edgar, Dare, Casler, Bevy, Alan, Schuyler Places, Indian Terrace, and the campus of SUNY Maritime College, are all prone to flooding. Within Locust Point, Locust Point Avenue, Tierney Place, Longstreet Avenue and Hatting Avenue, the Hammond Cove and Locust Point Marina area, and Calhoun and Schurz Avenues in Throggs Neck will be badly affected, as well as Clarence and Randall Avenues and Country Club. The end of Lafayette Avenue in Ferry Point and all of Ferry Point Park will be flooded. The Board would like to see that both agencies develop a plan to stop the storm water surges and to provide a sewer system that will be able to handle them.

Community District Needs Related to Sanitation Services

Bronx Community Board #10 enjoys one of the highest rates of recycling in the City. Co-op City, the largest housing cooperative in the State recycles and processes its own waste and we are still limited to one day a week pick up. For several years, the Board has been requesting an additional day for pickup. We believe that we have proven our commitment to the City's recycling goals and therefore, request another day.

Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/15	DEP	•	CB #10 asks that the City develop and install a highly functioning drainage system for Brush Avenue between Schley Ave. and Bruckner Blvd including Wenner, Rohr and Senger Places. Flooding occurs at this stretch.	Community Wide

Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

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Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
15/24	DSNY	Provide more on- street trash cans and recycling containers	Bronx Community Board #10 requests more receptacles on Westchester Avenue between East Tremont Avenue to Burr Avenue. We also request more receptacles from East Tremont Avenue from Bruckner Boulevard to Schurz Avenue.	Community Wide
17/24	DEP	Other sewer maintenance requests	Catch basins are needed on Ditmars Street at King Avenue in City Island.	
20/24	DSNY	Expand disposal events for hazardous household waste	This event is well-attended. Bronx Community Board #10 request two to three safe disposal events each year.	Community Wide
21/24	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	Bronx Community Board #10 supports the City allocating more resources toward stopping illegal dumping. We understand that more manpower is needed for this request. Our support is granted.	Community Wide
22/24	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws	It is crucial DSNY enforce illegal posting of signs on our light posts, highways and on any city property. We support the hiring of more sanitation enforcement officers. Bronx Community Board #10 is plagued by illegal signage.	Community Wide
23/24	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning	New York City Department of Transportation is notorious for not cleaning its own property, including along the highways. We constantly ask the Department of Sanitation to service these areas through its Lot Cleaning Unit. We ask that the City provide more manpower to DSNY so that it can clean NYCDOT's property or that a large citywide unit be created within NYCDOT to service and maintain NYCDOT property.	Community Wide

Housing, Economic Development and Land Use



Main Issue Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Real estate development (development trends)

Bronx Community Board #10 asks that the Department of City Planning undertake a study of Pelham Bay. Pelham Bay, according to the Department of City Planning, is experiencing most of the growth in real estate development. Bronx Community Board #10 is protected by Lower Growth Management Area zoning regulations. However, real estate developer are finding ways to circumvent parking requirements. We ask that the Department of City Planning conduct a neighborhood study of Pelham Bay as an effort to strengthen parking regulations in R6 and R7-1 zoning districts. This will ensure that, if development is to occur, parking remains a crucial component of any project.

Community District Needs Related to Land Use

All of CB #10 is in a Lower Growth Management Area. However, we are finding that in R7-1 districts, parking is waived in certain cases when the lot size is too narrow. With the growth in basement apartments, parking is further limited. Strengthening parking requirements is a solution to the multi story buildings that are replacing formerly one and twofamily homes. Bronx Community Board #10 asks that the City Planning Department conduct a neighborhood study to assess development trends, strengthening parking requirements and current transportation services.

Community District Needs Related to Housing Needs and Programming

We ask that the City of New York remove any and all lead in the Throggs Neck Houses apartments. We ask that the City provide adequate heat and hot water through the winter months. Bronx Community Board #10 received complaints on both matters. We stand ready to assist in identifying residents that are in danger and how the City can improve their living space in an expeditious manner.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/15	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	At Throggs Neck Houses, there is dilapidated playground equipment, units that flood and have mold, malfunctioning elevators, broken street sidewalks, broken entrance doors and roofs that are in disrepair from deferred maintenance. NYCHA residents, a third of whom are seniors, need these repairs immediately. The Board asks that the City increase funding to NYCHA's capital plan for these projects.	Community Wide
6/15	EDC	Invest in capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	The need for transit alternatives like ferry service increases each year as the MTA and NYCT have become unreliable in recent years. We ask that the City study the feasibility of ferry service along our waterfront communities in Throggs Neck and City Island.	Community Wide

Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

5. Summary of Community District Needs and Budget Requests

Transportation

Main Issue Related to Transportation

Traffic congestion

Our community district consists of the I-95, New England Thruway, and Hutchinson River Parkway. Traffic congestion and our roadways are at its worst. We ask that New York City DOT work with the Board on identifying traffic calming measures on thoroughfares such as Bartow and Baychester Avenues. Increased commercial development in Co-op City worsened traffic congestion along highways and local streets. In neighborhoods such as Throggs Neck, Pelham Bay and City Islands, roadways are deteriorating and need resurfacing. Additionally. transit alternatives such as ferry service are needed in Community Board #10. We ask that the City meet with the Board to discuss feasibility.

Community District Needs Related to Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure

The Board is interested in seeing lighting and pedestrian paths in a number of areas. Please see the detailed locations below.

Community District Needs Related to Transit Services

Because of a lack of subway network, bus service is crucial to Bronx Community Board #10. In years past, we have requested expanded service in Co-op City and City Island and a long East Tremont Avenue via the BX 40 and BX 42 routes. Bus service, according to many media outlets and think tanks, has slowed in New York City while ridership has decreased. It is crucial we look toward ways to improve bus service and expand in areas where there is no NYCT footprint.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/15	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	We request additional street lights on Westchester Avenue from Castle Hill Avenue to Burr Avenue.	
9/15	DOT	Repair or provide new street lights	We request that the City provide additional street lights on East Tremont Avenue from Bruckner Boulevard to Schurz Avenue.	Westchester Avenue East Tremont Avenue Castle Hill Avenue
10/15	NYCTA	Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	The Board would like to see the adoption in the MTA Capital Plan of elevator service for Buhre Ave and Westchester Square Stations of the IRT #6.	Community Wide
12/15	DOT	Repair or build new seawalls or bulkheads	Please provide update on scheduled seawall repairs in Community Board #10.	Community Wide
15/15	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Reconstruct streets within and around the perimeter of the Westchester-Zerega Industrial Business Zone. Especially in the vicinity of Commerce Avenue. A complete listing of those streets was provided to DOT. The Board envisions this to be a joint DOT and DEP project.	Community Wide

Capital Requests Related to Transportation





Transportation

Expense Requests Related to Transportation

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
5/24	NYCTA	Expand bus service frequency or hours of operation	Several years ago the MTA New York City Transit had to reconfigure the bus service within Co-op City, because of fiscal constraints. The resultant situation was that the northern portion of the development saw service on the BX 26 and BX 28 truncated. A new bus known as the BX 38 was created to link up with the BX 26 and BX 28. We ask for expanded service along these lines as well as on the Bx29, BxM7, BxM8, BxM9. These lines provide are a lifeline to many commuters in CB #10.	Community Wide
16/24	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	We request a traffic signal at Coddington Avenue and Crosby Avenue.	
19/24	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	We ask that NYCDOT study how to improve parking in Pelham Bay. Specifically, we ask that the City review if City parking signage may be removed to accommodate parking. Additionally, please enforce illegal curb cuts as it removes vital on-street parking spaces.	Community Wide

Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



Main Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Quality of parks and park facilities

The NYC Parks Department is grossly underfunded. Bronx Community Board #10 wishes to see area parks repaired and updated. Enhancing the experience at our parks goes a long way toward fostering community development and improving our quality-of-life. Pelham Bay Park is the largest park in New York City. Bronx Community Board #10 requests that the city hire the appropriate amount of staffing in its horticulture unit at Pelham Bay Park, fully invest in the Orchard Beach Pavilion and Bath House. In addition, we ask that the City fully fund the tree and sidewalks program and enhance funding for tree pruning.

Community District Needs Related to Library Facilities and Programming

The Westchester Square Library is scheduled for a new building. It is an innovative design that the Board supports and the community welcomes. Funding is in place and the Board looks forward to its construction. The Board expects that the library will be a state of the art facility that will offer innovative and popular programs. The Board is home to several other fine libraries and we have always advocated for their funding. It is hoped that they will receive the needed cash to carry on its great work.

Community District Needs Related to Community Boards

The additional funding that all Community Boards received is extremely helpful. We ask that the City baseline the funding as it helps Boards fund events and neighborhood clean-ups.

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	The Athletic Field at Pelham Bay Park is utilized by thousands of area residents. The field is in great need of maintenance. We ask that the City provide the Department of Parks and Recreation with sufficient resources. This has been a top priority for CB #10 for several years.	Pelham Bay Park
4/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	A full upgrade and restoration of Bufano Park is sorely needed. We ask that the City provide the Department of Parks & Recreation with capital resources for this request.	Bufano Park
5/15	DPR	Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	Bruckner Playground needs an upgrade and full restoration.	Bruckner Playground
11/15	DPR	Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	We ask that the parking lot at Ferry Point Park be fully resurfaced this fiscal year.	

Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities



Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and other Community Facilities

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4/24	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	We have long asked for a fully functional recreation center at Owen Dolen Park. Westchester Square is a thriving community with a strengthening commercial corridor. A recreation center is ideal for this location.	Owen Dolen Park
6/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	The number of Parks Enforcement Personnel or PEP officers deployed to Pelham Bay Park, Orchard Beach and Ferry Point Park must be increased. These facilities are used by hundreds of people and they must be made safe.	Community Wide
8/24	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	Provide a recreational assistant in Pearly Gates Park and Bufano Park.	Pearly Gates Park
9/24	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Bronx Community Board #10 is asking that the City allocate an additional \$1 million toward tree pruning in the Bronx.	
18/24	DoITT	Information technology goods and services	Place Community Boards on city server.	Community Wide

Other Capital Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/15	EDC	Dredging of Westchester Creek	We ask, along with Bronx Community Board #9 that the NYC EDC partner with state agencies on dredging Westchester Creek. The Unionport Bridge is scheduled to go under renovation. Dredging this creek will promote economic development and a safer, cleaner waterway.	Community Wide

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Bronx Community Board 10 submitted 15 capital budget requests, organized by priority.

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2/15	NYCHA	Renovate or upgrade public housing developments	At Throggs Neck Houses, there is dilapidated playground equipment, units that flood and have mold, malfunctioning elevators, broken street sidewalks, broken entrance doors and roofs that are in disrepair from deferred maintenance. NYCHA residents, a third of whom are seniors, need these repairs immediately. The Board asks that the City increase funding to NYCHA's capital plan for these projects.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
3/15	EDC	Dredging of Westchester Creek	We ask, along with Bronx Community Board #9 that the NYC EDC partner with state agencies on dredging Westchester Creek. The Unionport Bridge is scheduled to go under renovation. Dredging this creek will promote economic development and a safer, cleaner waterway.	Community Wide	Bronx Community Board #9
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Invest in capital projects to improve access to the waterfront	The need for transit alternatives like ferry service increases each year as the MTA and NYCT have become unreliable in recent years. We ask that the City study the feasibility of ferry service along our waterfront communities in Throggs Neck and City Island.	Community Wide	
Inspect sanitary sewer on specific street segment and repair or replace as needed	CB #10 asks that the City develop and install a highly functioning drainage system for Brush Avenue between Schley Ave. and Bruckner Blvd including Wenner, Rohr and Senger Places. Flooding occurs at this stretch.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
Repair or provide new street lights	We request additional street lights on Westchester Avenue from Castle Hill Avenue to Burr Avenue.		
Repair or provide new street lights	We request that the City provide additional street lights on East Tremont Avenue from Bruckner Boulevard to Schurz Avenue.	Westchester Avenue East Tremont Avenue Castle Hill Avenue	
TA Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.	The Board would like to see the adoption in the MTA Capital Plan of elevator service for Buhre Ave and Westchester Square Stations of the IRT #6.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)	We ask that the parking lot at Ferry Point Park be fully resurfaced this fiscal year.		
Repair or build new seawalls or bulkheads	Please provide update on scheduled seawall repairs in Community Board #10.	Community Wide	
Provide technology upgrade	Bronx Community Board #10 supports P.S. 304 PTA's request for security cameras throughout the other schools at its location. We also support this request	P.S. 304	P.S. 304 Parent Teacher Association
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14/15	DoITT	Renovate, upgrade or provide new community board facilities and equipment	New York City Community Boards are all city agencies. However, technologically, we are not treated as such. We are not on the city server, CityNet, nor do our staff have access to basic email programming such as Outlook. Additionally, the City should equip all Board Offices with constituent services software as constituent services is a crucial service all offices provide.	Community Wide	
15/15	DOT	Reconstruct streets	Reconstruct streets within and around the perimeter of the Westchester-Zerega Industrial Business Zone. Especially in the vicinity of Commerce Avenue. A complete listing of those streets was provided to DOT. The Board envisions this to be a joint DOT and DEP project.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a

Bronx Community Board 10 Expense Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location	Supporters
1/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for elementary school students (grades K-5)	The on-site after school programming in CB #10 are the following elementry schools: The Child development Center of the Mosholu Montefiore Community Center at PS 153, the Child Development Center of the Mosholu Montefiore Community Center at PS 160, the Directions For Our Youth Program at PS 72, the Kips Bay Program at PS 304, the Kips Bay Program at Throggs Neck Community Association of NYCHA, Sports and Arts in Schools Foundation at PS 178 and PS 175, the YMCA Program at PS 14, are excellent and require additional funding.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
2/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance after school programs for middle school students (grades 6-8)	The on-site after school programming at the following Middle Schools should receive increased funding: The Child Development Center of the Mosholu Montefiore Community Center at the Equality Charter School, Direction for Youth at IS 180 and IS 181, East Side Houses at the (Urban Assembly Academy of Civic Engagement), Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club at MS101X, Sports and Arts In Schools Foundation at Truman HS , Xposure Foundation at Mott Hall School, New York Junior Tennis League at PS 71. The Phipps Community Development Beacon Program at IS 192 Piagentini-Jones School should be fully funded.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
3/24	DFTA	Other senior center program requests	CB #10 asks that Glebe Avenue Senior Center become a full-time center. Currently, the center is operated by the YMCA as a part-time program. Glebe House, at 2125 Glebe Avenue, Bronx NY 10462, is the Senior Citizen Component for the NYCHA managed Castle Hill Houses.	Glebe Avenue Senior Center 2125 Glebe Avenue	
4/24	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	We have long asked for a fully functional recreation center at Owen Dolen Park. Westchester Square is a thriving community with a strengthening commercial corridor. A recreation center is ideal for this location.	Owen Dolen Park	Westchester Square Zerega Improvement Organization; Westchester Square District Management Association

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5/24	NYCTA	Expand bus service frequency or hours of operation	Several years ago the MTA New York City Transit had to reconfigure the bus service within Co-op City, because of fiscal constraints. The resultant situation was that the northern portion of the development saw service on the BX 26 and BX 28 truncated. A new bus known as the BX 38 was created to link up with the BX 26 and BX 28. We ask for expanded service along these lines as well as on the Bx29, BxM7, BxM8, BxM9. These lines provide are a lifeline to many commuters in CB #10.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
6/24	DPR	Enhance park safety through more security staff (police or parks enforcement)	The number of Parks Enforcement Personnel or PEP officers deployed to Pelham Bay Park, Orchard Beach and Ferry Point Park must be increased. These facilities are used by hundreds of people and they must be made safe.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
7/24	NYPD	Other NYPD staff resources	Establishments along corridors such as East Tremont Avenue, Westchester Avenue and Bartow Avenue recieve the bulk of noise complaints in Community Board #10. We ask that the City provide the 45th Precinct with additional sound meters.	2877 Barkley Avenue	n/a; n/a
8/24	DPR	Provide more programs in parks or recreational centers	Provide a recreational assistant in Pearly Gates Park and Bufano Park.	Pearly Gates Park	n/a; n/a
9/24	DPR	Forestry services, including street tree maintenance	Bronx Community Board #10 is asking that the City allocate an additional \$1 million toward tree pruning in the Bronx.		n/a; n/a
10/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance the Summer Youth Employment Program	We are encouraged by the City's commitment to increase funding for the summer youth employment program. We ask that the City continue to enhance this vital program.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
11/24	NYPD	Provide additional patrol cars and other vehicles	Equip the agency with large tow trucks and a facility in which impounded trucks can be stored.	Community Wide	

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12/24	DOE	Other educational programs requests	CB #10 is in close proximity to Montefiore Hospital, Jacobi Hospital, Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Calvary Hospital. The Board recommends that the City establish a uniquely-specialized high school such as one that pertains to the field health care. An example of this model is the High School for Medical Professions in the borough of Brooklyn.	Proximity to Montefiore Hospital	n/a; n/a
13/24	DOHMH	Reduce mosquito populations	Many of the communities in our Board service area are surrounded by water. We ask that the NYC DOHMH work with the Board to form a more targeted approach to mosquito praying. Our waterfront communities and Pelham Bay Park need the assistance.	Community Wide	n/a; n/a
14/24	DHS	Expand street outreach	Bronx Works is a vital resource to our community. The Board Office contacts the agency routinely to service homeless persons. We ask that the City continue to fund this agency.	Community Wide	N/A; N/A
15/24	DSNY	Provide more on- street trash cans and recycling containers	Bronx Community Board #10 requests more receptacles on Westchester Avenue between East Tremont Avenue to Burr Avenue. We also request more receptacles from East Tremont Avenue from Bruckner Boulevard to Schurz Avenue.	Community Wide	
16/24	DOT	Provide new traffic or pedestrian signals	We request a traffic signal at Coddington Avenue and Crosby Avenue.		Pelham Bay Taxpayers Association; Waterbury Lasalle Community Association
17/24	DEP	Other sewer maintenance requests	Catch basins are needed on Ditmars Street at King Avenue in City Island.		
18/24	DoITT	Information technology goods and services	Place Community Boards on city server.	Community Wide	
19/24	DOT	Conduct traffic or parking studies	We ask that NYCDOT study how to improve parking in Pelham Bay. Specifically, we ask that the City review if City parking signage may be removed to accommodate parking. Additionally, please enforce illegal curb cuts as it removes vital on-street parking spaces.	Community Wide	

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20/24	DSNY	Expand disposal events for hazardous household waste	This event is well-attended. Bronx Community Board #10 request two to three safe disposal events each year.	Community Wide	
21/24	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal dumping laws	Bronx Community Board #10 supports the City allocating more resources toward stopping illegal dumping. We understand that more manpower is needed for this request. Our support is granted.	Community Wide	
22/24	DSNY	Increase enforcement of illegal posting laws	It is crucial DSNY enforce illegal posting of signs on our light posts, highways and on any city property. We support the hiring of more sanitation enforcement officers. Bronx Community Board #10 is plagued by illegal signage.	Community Wide	
23/24	DSNY	Increase vacant lot cleaning	New York City Department of Transportation is notorious for not cleaning its own property, including along the highways. We constantly ask the Department of Sanitation to service these areas through its Lot Cleaning Unit. We ask that the City provide more manpower to DSNY so that it can clean NYCDOT's property or that a large citywide unit be created within NYCDOT to service and maintain NYCDOT property.	Community Wide	
24/24	DYCD	Provide, expand, or enhance Cornerstone and Beacon programs (all ages, including young adults)	Bronx Community Board #10 asks that the City study the feasibility of a youth center in Co-op City.		