



District Service Cabinet Summary

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Description: *The City Charter establishes a District Service Cabinet (DSC) in each community district, to be composed of agency officials responsible for local service delivery. The District Manager of the Community Board chairs the District Service Cabinet, whose members include representatives of the agencies that deliver local services to the Community District. The District Service Cabinet is the primary mechanism through which local service delivery issues can be raised, discussed and resolved. If used effectively, the Cabinet can provide the basis for a comprehensive approach to service delivery within the community district.*

I. Call to Order

II. Service Requests

The following outlines the discussion on service requests and update from various agencies:

- A. DM Rivera opened with a discussion about handling issues with that arise in the summer at public parks, specifically regarding activities like betting or unauthorized games especially at Haviland Ave.
- B. Mr. Acosta from NYC Parks Department explained that there are two scenarios for handling unauthorized teams on fields:
 - 1. If a team with a permit refuse to leave the field, enforcement is called to address the situation.
 - 2. If an unauthorized team is spotted, enforcement is dispatched after receiving a report from concerned individuals.
 - a. Mr. Acosta clarified that playgrounds are intended for recreational purposes only barbequing, gambling, or vending are not allowed in these areas. He emphasized that anyone engaging in organized activities without a permit should be instructed to obtain one. If a situation escalates, NYPD may be involved for further enforcement.
- C. Sergeant Soriano proposed coordinating enforcement operations to address issues with vendors, similar to a past operation in Star Light Park. He suggested holding this operation on a Saturday when the weather is warmer. Another location to keep note of is Morrison and Watson. Sergeant Soriano also recommended involving DCWP to issue fines to vendors and collaborating with sanitation and other agencies to address the problem effectively.
- D. DM Rivera indicated that residents have recently complained about street vendors in Parkchester.
- E. Sergeant Soriano provided an update on a recent enforcement operation that resulted in fines being issued to unlicensed vendors. He noted that some vendors took the fines but

- continued their operations, and he emphasized the need to involve agencies like DCWP, sanitation, and health departments for larger fines, which would have a greater impact.
- F. Mr. Melendez from NYC Aging reminded everyone to encourage older adults to use senior centers, which provide access to various local programs, including physical and mental health services.
 - a. He highlighted the importance of the Agent Connect line for seniors to connect directly with specialists and gain access to resources.
 - G. Mr. Luna from Majority Leader Amanda Farías's office shared that their office has a family law clinic that offers assistance with intimate partner abuse, child custody, and family court matters.
 - a. He also mentioned that the UJC Safety Net Project would be available at the office on March 25 to assist with public assistance issues, fair hearings, and concerns related to HRA.
 - H. Mr. Luna informed everyone that starting April 1, enforcement for leaf and yard waste and food scraps would begin.
 - a. He stated that fines would be issued for violations: \$25 for the first offense, \$50 for the second offense, and \$100 for the third and subsequent offenses.
 - I. Ms. Lazo-Hayes, from NYC Building shared that Homeowner's Night is every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. This is where constituents can come in to resolve any issues they may have where they don't need an appointment.
 - J. DM Rivera shared that there will be a new family shelter at 1499 Bruckner Blvd. coming the summer of 2026.

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