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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 the Statement of Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022. This report contains the formatted but otherwise unedited content provided by the community board, collected through an online form available to community boards from August to November, 2020.

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:

### 1. 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.

### 2. 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.

### 3. Community Board Budget Requests

The final section includes the two types of budget requests submitted to the City for the FY22 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.

### Disclaimer

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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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## 1. COMMUNITY BOARD INFORMATION

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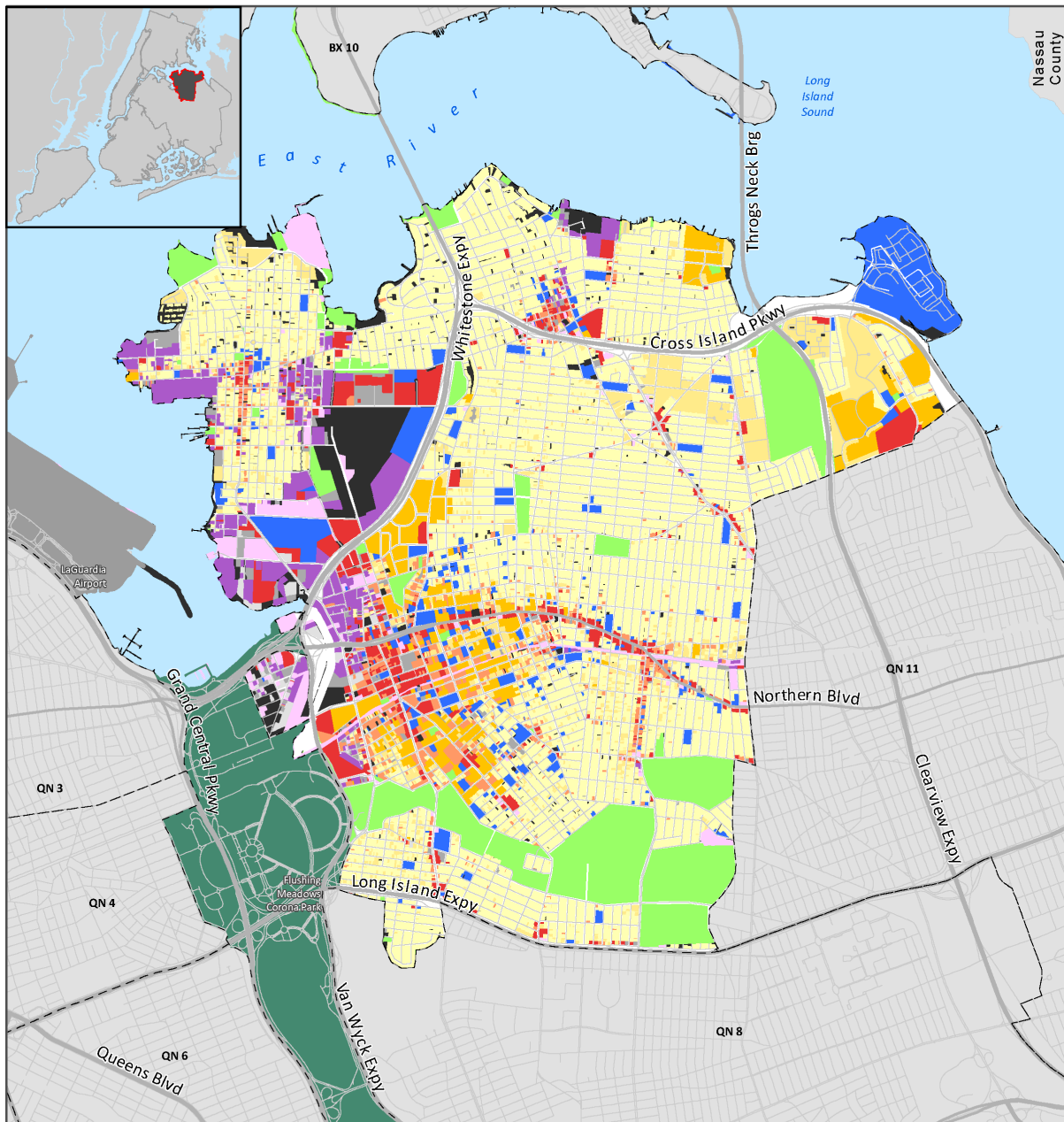
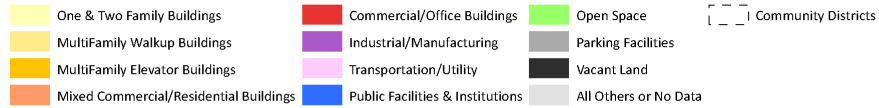
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## 2. COMMUNITY DISTRICT PROFILE AND LAND USE MAP

For the most up-to-date information about your Community District's built environment, socioeconomic, and demographic conditions, please visit NYC Department of City Planning's Community District Profiles tool at [communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov](https://communityprofiles.planning.nyc.gov).

# Queens Community District 7 - Land Use



### 3. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT

Community Board #7 is the largest in population and 5th largest citywide in acreage of all 59 Community Boards. It is comprised of eight towns, Bay Terrace, Beechhurst, College Point, most of Flushing, Malba, Queensborough Hill, Whitestone, and, Willets Point, making up 12.7 square miles and 285 miles of city streets. We are an extremely diverse community consisting of one and two family homes, suburban/urban high rise apartments, 64 park locations, 30 greenstreets, an intermodal transportation hub with 26 bus lines, the #7 train, and the L.I.R.R. In addition, we are the 4th busiest retail area in the city, the second largest industrial area in the borough because of the College Point Corporate Park, and, the 2nd busiest downtown behind Herald Square. Our board has the largest waterfront area running from Flushing Bay to Fort Totten. Our diversity presents us with many challenges and problems, which we must address and resolve, if we are to maintain the level of our past accomplishments, and improve our quality of life in the 21st century. These can be summarized along the following issues: zoning, parking, the environment, transportation, traffic, service delivery, waterfront development, in addition to maintaining the economic growth in downtown Flushing, College Point, Bay Terrace and Whitestone. We are concerned about meeting the needs of our senior citizens, the proliferation of houses of worship, maintaining the viability of our parks, as well as our historic heritage. Our most immediate emphasis is concentrating on managing new developments within our board area, and the potential of its impact on traffic, service delivery, and schools for our youngsters. Evidence shows that our board has experienced enormous building growth in both commercial and residential areas. For example within only a four block radius of downtown Flushing, the housing stock in the past 25 years has grown, and projects presently on the drawing board will bring in additional units of housing within the next several years. Flushing Commons is doing a mixed use development on the old Municipal Parking lot #1, the Hyatt Place hotel opened on Prince Street as part of the Fulton 1 mixed use development, and the anticipated Fulton 11, also a mixed used "as of right" development, is on the drawing board directly across the street on 39th Avenue between Prince Street and College Point Boulevard. With the completion of the 2010 census, our population was estimated to be approximately 256,000 documented persons, making us the largest population wise of all 59 boards. Many census tracts in and around downtown Flushing have experienced substantial population growth. This data confirms that the trend of substantial growth in our area has continued adding to the demand for new market rate and affordable housing, senior housing, classroom space, and city services.



## 4. TOP THREE PRESSING ISSUES OVERALL

### Queens Community Board 7

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The three most pressing issues facing this Community Board are:

#### **Street conditions (roadway maintenance)**

Federal, State and City funding is insufficient to meet the needs of our capital projects, which are necessary to provide desperately needed infrastructure improvements. The majority of our capital priorities has been and will remain, transportation requests. Capital construction needs to be accelerated to accommodate the increased volume of traffic, and deteriorated condition of our streets. We need to see Linden Place phase 2, connecting to 20th Avenue accelerated since this street will be needed for the reconstruction of Ulmer Street between the Whitestone Expressway Service road and 25th Avenue, as well as 28th Avenue between College Point Boulevard and Linden Place. Both Ulmer Street and 28th Avenue will have to be closed for several years because of the necessity to do surcharging. The city recently resurfaced 20th Avenue, however, with its heavy utilization by cars, buses, and trucks - many of which are 18 wheelers, the roadbed will not be able to be sustained, and will eventually begin collapsing. The agency took a Band-Aid approach to a hemorrhage. The condition of our streets are terrible,, with a myriad of potholes and ruts it is difficult to navigate resulting in many drivers have sustained damage to their cars. The agency needs to accelerate some of its basic maintenance issues, such as repainting of street markers indicating "Stop Ahead", "Speed Bumps", school crossing signs, and re-installation of street name and stop ahead signs. These delays generate many community complaints.

#### **Street flooding**

The agency must seriously look at accelerating our number one capital budget request for the reconstruction of 20th Avenue from the Whitestone Expressway service road to College Point Boulevard, as well as 127th Street between 14th and 22nd Avenues. This major roadway connects the communities of Whitestone to College Point. The roadbed which is heavily utilized is uneven, has many ruts, as well as a serious drainage problem.

#### **Traffic**

The commercial areas of Flushing, College Point, and Whitestone generate a tremendous amount of car, bus and truck traffic. This puts an incredible strain on the streets and highways of these communities.

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## 5. SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY DISTRICT NEEDS AND BUDGET REQUESTS

### HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### Queens Community Board 7

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##### Most Important Issue Related to Health Care and Human Services

###### **Programs, services or facilities for seniors (incl. remote programming)**

Community Board #7 being the largest population wise, have approximately 110,000 seniors living in our district. We have seen a younger, more vibrant senior whom want innovative and exciting programs. We are happy to see that the Department for the Aging has created more innovative centers. They have expanded the hours, their programs are more diverse, and have expanded programming by introducing technology, cultural arts, weekends, and addressing the needs of our multi-cultural community. They have realized that by keeping their minds active, they remain younger. In addition DFTA has seen the need to introduce Virtual Senior Centers programs, and has also implemented a tele-health kiosk to measure and track health outcomes for their members on an ongoing basis.

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##### Community District Needs Related to Health Care and Human Services

###### **Needs for Health Care and Facilities**

No comments

###### **Needs for Older NYs**

Our concern is that 1/3 of our population are seniors, and growing. There is a need for additional services for better access to "Access A Ride" or perhaps a voucher program for transportation as "Access A Ride" has a poor track record. and, centers that would accommodate the active to frail senior with programs to meet their needs, as well as affordable housing. In additional with regard to the frail senior, these centers must actively pursue the idea of an ongoing intergenerational program connecting seniors with high school and college students who can either be companions, or assist them with simple chores.

###### **Needs for Homeless**

No comments

###### **Needs for Low Income NYs**

No comments

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## Capital Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
22/28	DFTA	<b>Renovate or upgrade a senior center</b>	<i>Funding must be obtained to allow the Department for the Aging to re-establish the North Flushing Senior Center and develop additional sites within CB#7-Qns. Our District has a senior population with close to 1250,000, &amp; with the lack of upgraded facilities this goal is hard to accomplish. Our seniors are more active &amp; involved. In addition provide voucher program for senior transportation.</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Health Care and Human Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
7/25	DFTA	<b>Other senior center program requests</b>	<i>As mention in the Capital Priority, the need of Senior Centers is now at a status Quo, what is needed is continued funding for the existing Senior Centers as well as increasing the funding to maintain the amount of seniors that are using these facilities.</i>	
24/25	HRA	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance food assistance, such as Food Stamps / SNAP</b>	<i>Provide, expand or enhance food assistance, such as Food Stamps/ SNAP as well as other programs such as Transportation Vouchers Board 7 has a very high population of Senior Citizens, immigrant adults an low income Families. Any funding to assist in these areas is recommended. Agency's response is that SNAP is a Federal program however other programs are not and fund should be provided to assist them.</i>	

## **YOUTH, EDUCATION AND CHILD WELFARE**

### **Queens Community Board 7**

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

##### **Youth workforce development and summer youth employment**

Beacon programs are effective programs that offer positive youth development through educational, cultural and literacy programs. Currently we have two Beacon sites that serve the needs of approximately 47,000 youth. Preventative programs are necessary to keep youngsters active and engaged in constructive programs, and should include educational and career choice counseling, as well as high school drop out prevention. Youth employment programs should be expanded to address youth employment, develop jobs, and job training programs. In order to make certain that we are doing the best for our youth, the Dept. of Youth and Community Development, must engage in cooperative planning, ensure the most effective use of current youth programs, as well as the development of additional pro

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#### Community District Needs Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

##### **Needs for Youth Education**

Construction of a middle school for College Point is essential. With the increase in population, and the only middle school that closed decades ago, these children need to travel to the communities of either Flushing or Whitestone. In addition anytime the board votes on a large scale development, one of the criteria for approval is that the developer must look at placing a school within the site to accommodate the children in the area. In downtown Flushing, due the school over-crowding, P.S. 107, which is located at 167-02 45th Avenue, for the next two years will be accepting the kindergarten children from P.S. 24, which is located at 141-11 Holly Avenue.

##### **Needs for Youth and Child Welfare**

No comments

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## Capital Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

## Expense Requests Related to Youth, Education and Child Welfare

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
20/25	DOE	<b>Other educational programs requests</b>	<i>Joint Education Programs between Board of Education and Parks Dept. It was felt that Parks is funding a lot of the playgrounds and in most cases they can't and refer back to the Community Boards to get funding from the Borough President's Office and Local Elected Officials. It is requested that the Board of Education provide fund on joint playgrounds. The board has seen improvements but continue supporting joint funding by both Agencies.</i>	

## **PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**

### **Queens Community Board 7**

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

##### **Emergency service delivery (including rapid response)**

With both Police and Fire, our residents are concerned with the effect of quality of life issues. Due to the increased urbanization, and new high rise development, which is increasing the population, resulting in a heavier workload with our Public Safety agencies. The present geographical boundary, and the influx of new Americans within our district has been burdened with the demand to service the community properly. The ability to maneuver through the district with an emergency vehicle becomes a challenge. Thus delaying the response time to either a fire or police incident.

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#### Community District Needs Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

##### **Needs for Public Safety**

Recently due to the needs of this community, the local precinct (109th) has received an additional 60 officers, and, within the next several months, an additional 30 officers will be assigned to the precinct. In addition, we are now involved in a program which allows for a total of 6 NCO's . The district is broken up into four sectors that are covered by two NCO's , and our NYCHA housing projects are covered by two additional NCO teams. This is in addition to the usual police coverage. The residents living in these specific areas, if they request, are given the cell phone numbers of the NCO's covering their specific area. It is a program that allows for almost instant police coverage/communication in that specific area. It is a hands on program that the residents of our district are very happy to have received.

##### **Needs for Emergency Services**

As there has been an increase within the Asian community, our community desperately needs more Korean and Chinese personnel. Our board has over 800 establishments selling alcohol, karaoke bars, internet cafes to name a few. Several buildings within our district have these types of establishments under one roof. This does create a problem for emergency services, since the information that we are able to obtain from the Dept. of Buildings, may indicate several serious issues/violations which SLA pays no attention. Doors can be blocked, they have not built according to plans, no emergency lighting, sprinklers or secondary means of egress. In case of a real emergency the lives of the patron as well as the service provider will be in jeopardy. All agencies must be on the same page. SLA must listen to the Community Board as well as both fire and police departments as it pertains to the laws on the books.

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## Capital Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
13/28	FDNY	<b>Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations</b>	<i>Rehabilitate or renovate existing Fire Houses &amp; EMS Stations. Due to growth in the number of housing units in CB#7-Qns. upgrading the firehouse is of the utmost importance which includes electrical system, plumbing, painting throughout , and back-up diesel generators (E295 &amp; E297). Relates to four Engine companies 274, 273, 297 &amp; 295</i>	
21/28	FDNY	<b>Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response</b>	<i>Complete &amp; Upgrade of E.R.S. boxes will cut down on false alarms and provide better services in times of real emergencies. Will eliminate wear and tear and waste of diesel fuel on the rigs.</i>	
24/28	NYPD	<b>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</b>	<i>Over the years crime has increased in Flushing Meadows Corona Park. The Precincts surrounding the park are too busy to assist with regard to park security. If an incident was to occur within the park the response time would be significantly improved with the establishment of a satellite precinct. Safety must be our number one priority for the myriad of families utilizing the park on a daily basis</i>	
28/28	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>At present locker room are old and must be updated to accommodate the female officers and new hire's at the 109th Pct.</i>	
CS	FDNY	<b>Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>There is a need to develop a multi agency civic learning center to teach youngsters about safety issues as it pertains to fire, buildings, environmental protection, health, police and sanitation departments. In addition, these site could be used for seniors as a refresher center.</i>	

CS	NYPD	<b>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</b>	<i>Community Board #7 having the largest population of the 59 Community Boards, and one of the largest in geographic area, there is a need for an additional police precinct in our district. According to information the 109th precinct is 4th in the overall index crime complaints in the city, and first in Queens for radio runs (approximately 6,000 per month). The fair share allocation for manpower has to take into consideration the quality of life issues that the precinct has to deal with. This requires time and manpower of which our precinct is being stretched far beyond their limit.</i>
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### Expense Requests Related to Public Safety and Emergency Services

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/25	NYPD	<b>Assign additional uniformed officers</b>	<i>Support funding for additional personnel to address quality of life complaints, maintain the DARE program (workshop on drug education for school children). Additional civilian personnel to relieve officers assigned to the 109th precinct, school crossing guards. Additional traffic enforcement agents are needed to intensify enforcement coverage. In addition, the K9 unit dogs are capable of sniffing out drugs and bombs.</i>	
10/25	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>Need funds for order boots for commercial trucks that park overnight in residential areas as well a heavy duty tow truck for 18 wheelers. Additional equipment Plate Readers, GLA Trackers and Argus Cameras</i>	
14/25	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Funds for Fire Department personnel and Training, Restoration of Fire salvage Unit Fire Safety Education Unit Marine Units, Haz-Mat Units as well as additional training in counter terrorism</i>	
15/25	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Provide funding for Fire House to upgrade them with backup generators, GPS for their Apparatus,. Funding for Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors and CPR Kits for their Fire Safety Education Unit.</i>	



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19/25	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Fire Marshals are the detectives for the Fire Department and are on the scene of a fire to determine if arson is the cause. The evidence must not be destroyed, and with the projected opening of the base in Queens the backload of open cases and arson fires will be reduced. Request funding for Fire Marshal Personnel and programs ie. the Juvenile Fire Setters Intervention and the arson task force.</i>
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## CORE INFRASTRUCTURE, CITY SERVICES AND RESILIENCY

### Queens Community Board 7

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

##### **Cleanliness/trash collection**

While they are all important, it is very difficult to just narrow it down. Our residents are constantly calling our office with regard to dump outs, improper garbage disposal, and persons going through the trash looking for bottles/cans for recycling. Because of the importance of this issue, the formation of a BID was established in the downtown Flushing area to help alleviate the debris left on the sidewalks, the overflowing baskets, as well as the greasy sidewalks. In addition the Councilperson in Whitestone has funded a twice a weekly BID operation to make sure that the Village is kept clean. With regard to Whitestone, we are working with the Dept. of Transportation to change the parking regulations in order to assist.

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#### Community District Needs Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency.

##### **Needs for Water, Sewers, and Environmental Protection**

Since 1984 our board has included in their capital and expense budget submissions the need to construct both sanitary and storm water systems within the district. We have seen a major increase due to the aging sewer systems which have resulted in major flooding problems especially in the areas of north Flushing, College Point as well as Whitestone. One of our major projects is SE809 which goes from along the N/B Whitestone Expressway Service Road from College Point Boulevard to 25th Road, and Union Street on the eastern portion. It entailed water mains, sanitary sewers, a storm system and chambers, and later this year we will see the start of SE807 which will cover the western portion of College Point, and, followed by SE810/811 which will be east of SE809. All of these projects have always received special attention when doing our budget due to the severity of the flooding that occurs, impacting not only homes, but, major roadbeds.

##### **Needs for Sanitation Services**

Litter, especially in the downtown shopping areas, is a never ending problem even with the Flushing BID in place. Multi-language educational efforts are required to explain the various sanitation laws in the District's citizens and businesses. Enforcement is needed, but it must be fair and reasonable. We request that emphasis be placed on ticketing the litterbugs instead of where their litter falls. This will reduce litter now, and in the future as this will also be an educational effort for those ticketed. Community Board #7 supports the various recycling programs, and the outreach and educational efforts must continue, and be increased to encourage vigorous participation by all citizens and businesses. Weekly recycling must continue, and we are happy to see new materials targeted for recycling, such as textiles and food wastes. Multi language educational efforts must target those areas with lower capture and diversion rates. The towing of cars from snow emergency streets during snowstorms must be initiated to allow for better snow removal. Snow removal efforts have improved since the agency added the trucking of snow out of the congested areas, and where possible, the melting of snow to reduce the mounds of plowed snow. With the recent opening of the North Shore Marine transfer station, efforts must be in place to ensure that sanitation drivers from other community districts use only the approved truck routes coming and going from the MTS. Local streets are not through streets, and should not be used.

## Capital Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
8/28	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>The construction and reconstruction of sanitary, storm and combined sewers Mitchell Linden area will help lessen the incidents of sewer back-ups and will assist in the draining of storm and sanitary water. Problem sites 138th St. from cross section at 31st Rd to 29th Rd. Also, 137th St. from 31st Rd. at cross section to 32nd St. along the Whitestone Expwy Service Rd. going north betw Linden Place and 141st St. The modernization of interlocker catch basins and granite head catch basins will facilitate maintenance within board #7 (1984-project)</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Core Infrastructure, City Services and Resiliency

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
3/25	DEP	<b>Investigate noise complaints at specific location</b>	<i>Money must be allocated to purchase noise mitigation equipment for the Agency to measure the sound levels of pile driving &amp; jack hammering. With the accelerated new construction going on in our district we have been receiving an increase in complaints from area residents regarding noise which presently is been monitored &amp; enforced by DEP. Investigating noise complaints at specific locations is needed. Tickets issued in 2018 - 93 and in 2019 - 92. Other agencies also issued tickets ie: NYPD</i>	
5/25	DEP	<b>Clean catch basins</b>	<i>Additional maintenance staff is needed to handle the increase number of street collapses and to perform odor control monitoring at water plants &amp; staff to handle repairs for the general cleaning and repairing of catch basins.</i>	
6/25	DSNY	<b>Other enforcement requests</b>	<i>Additional personnel are needed to handle basket pick-ups on Saturday, Sunday &amp; Holidays on commercial strips. Maintain 5-day school collection &amp; twice weekly recycling collection &amp; sweepers. Plus household bulk must be opened during the week to accommodate homeowners who need access to the dump. If the household dump is not accessible illegal dumping will increase.</i>	

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16/25	DSNY	<b>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up</b>	<i>Maintaining the weekly recycling program is a necessity with the increasing population, building growth and new products-i.e.: all plastics, clothing and food waste. It's extremely important to have weekly collections in order to accommodate the anticipated growth of the agency/population. Quota numbers need to be increased.</i>
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## HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

### Queens Community Board 7

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

##### **Building code and/or zoning enforcement**

To facilitate the demands of the District, the Building/Housing Committee is recommending Building Code Enforcement as a priority since it will protect homeowners, coop/condo owners and renters alike. To further support the request for Building Code Enforcement, the borough of Queens receives more requests for code enforcement than any other borough.

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#### Community District Needs Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

##### **Needs for Land Use**

Our board has been working with the elected officials as well as City Planning on the development of Flushing West which goes from Roosevelt Avenue to Northern Boulevard from Prince Street to the water. We have had quite a few meetings with all affected parties, however, just recently City Planning, at the request of our Councilman have put the brakes on this project. We are concerned with regard to the need of an additional CSO tank which presently is not on the drawing board. What DEP wants to do is chlorinate the water, which is environmentally not safe for marine life. In addition, developers are having major problems with MIH due to the fact that the banks will not give them financing. Three major development projects are moving along - Sky Vu park; Fulton II and Flushing Commons is nearing completion of Phase I. All of these developments will be putting a major burden on city services. Downtown Flushing is presently congested, the #7 train platforms are overcrowded and unsafe, in addition to other city services. While development is good for any neighborhood, we have found that the Environmental Impact Statements do not correctly detail the needs for the development, and/or the community. Any new large scale development does have an impact on city services, that must be addressed.

##### **Needs for Housing**

No comments

##### **Needs for Economic Development**

In working with the Flushing BID and Chamber, we have been having meetings regarding the 360 Grant for the Downtown Flushing Commercial District Needs Assessment. What the agency really needs to address is the hiring of a bilingual person who is knowledgeable in city rules and regulations, and, must be a liaison between businesses and city agencies. This person needs to be able to interface with the Community Board, BID and Chamber. The city needs to make this investment in order for the business community to survive. Rather than violate, they must educate. This investment will maintain the present business growth in Flushing. Our existing Flushing BID has been a very effective and positive influence for our bustling commercial strip...they have worked on graffiti removal programs, sanitation issues, security cameras, a restaurant guide, hanging banners as well as flower baskets. The Executive Director along with his board, are always coming up with new ideas to help improve the commercial atmosphere in the area. Presently the BID is awaiting approval for its expansion.

## Capital Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
CS	EDC	<b>Make infrastructure investments that will support growth in local business districts</b>	<i>Improve and develop Flushing Airport site to support growth in Local Business District also to be utilized for soft recreational uses which would include using an aviation theme. site should include uses such as a driving range, miniature golf, water park to enhance the wetlands, etc. CB#7-Qns. does not want to see heavy trucking uses such as a manufacturing or a retail component. (1980-project)</i>	

## Expense Requests Related to Housing, Economic Development and Land Use

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/25	DOB	<b>Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)</b>	<i>Due to the increase of construction in CB 7, there is a need to increase the number of qualified inspectors to expand the administrative tribunal to deal with the volume of violations and to increase the number of inside personnel to assist CB staff 8 additional support staff, additional administrative staff and additional inspectors are needed.</i>	
22/25	EDC	<b>Expand programs to support local businesses and entrepreneurs</b>	<i>Funding is needed for the Local Businesses to assist them with the current rising cost business.</i>	
23/25	HPD	<b>Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations</b>	<i>Expand programs for Housing Inspections to Correct Code Violations. Funding for Staff Attorney's to handle the backload of cases. Cases are increasing each year by 7-8 per cent.</i>	

## TRANSPORTATION

### Queens Community Board 7

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#### Most Important Issue Related to Transportation and Mobility

##### **Accessibility (ADA related compliance and infrastructure enhancements)**

While we are only given the opportunity to select one, each of the above plays a very important role as to how our residents feel about the flow of traffic, accessibility to mass transit, the ability to safely navigate a congested sidewalk. In addition, there is a lack of properly maintaining our roadways and the maintenance of our bridges. Many of our complaints coming from our residents deal with the condition of the sidewalks, curbs, pedestrian pads as well as the many deteriorated bus pads. Each of these creates a major tripping problem, especially for seniors and the handicapped. Sidewalks and curbs seem to be an issue with Contractors not doing a good job and residents complaining.

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#### Community District Needs Related to Transportation and Mobility

##### **Needs for Traffic and Transportation Infrastructure**

We are constantly receiving complaints from residents living in our district about the #7 train line. The station is filthy, the escalators are constantly in repair, the staircases are extremely narrow, the platforms during rush hour are jammed, and with the increase in population, we are concerned that this station will not be able to handle the crowds that will be utilizing this station. In addition, the L.I.R.R. is a nightmare in downtown Flushing. The staircases are extremely steep and even able-bodied individuals have a difficult time navigating these staircases onto the platform. The construction of the elevator must be accelerated.

##### **Needs for Transit Services**

With the increased populations, and approximately 100,000 persons passing through downtown Flushing every day, we have requested that the #7 line platform be expanded west of Main Street, and that the subway line be extended east to the other neighborhoods of Flushing and Bayside. Thus relieving some of the congestion in the downtown area. We are an intra-modal transportation hub with 24 bus lines converging in downtown Flushing area. MTA has introduced SBS which is having a tremendous negative impact in downtown Flushing. This is having a negative impact on the small business community, making it more difficult to receive deliveries, and parking close to the stores has become more difficult to find. Downtown Flushing is the 2nd most congested area in the city, and by introducing the SBS, they have narrowed down Main Street to one lane in each direction. This has resulted in traffic at times coming to a crawl due to the lack of street capacity. In addition, the LIRR station at Willets Point must be in operation on a yearly basis. The only time that this station operates is for the Mets home games, as well as the USTA. If it were to operate full time, then drivers could utilize the abutting parking fields, thus relieving some of the congestion in downtown Flushing.

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## Capital Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

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1/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Reconstruction of 20th Avenue from the Whitestone Expressway service to College Point Boulevard, and 127th Street from 14th to 23rd Avenues. This heavily utilized main artery within our district connects the communities of Whitestone and College Point, and also serves a large shopping mall between these two areas. The road has extensive flooding problems, and existing roadbed is sinking. Major road construction and sewer work is necessary in order to bring these streets up to grade.</i>	
3/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Reconstruction of Union Street from Northern Boulevard to 26th Ave. and from 26th Ave. to Parsons Blvd.. This is a heavily used major artery serving the southern end of Whitestone into Downtown Flushing, utilized by trucks and busses. The road, bus pads and pedestrian ramps are badly deteriorated.</i>	
4/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Willels Point Phase II - This area has been neglected by the city of New York and needs a total Capital reconstruction to include sidewalks, roadbed, sewers, and street lighting. This area has extensive flooding problems and the roadbed has sunk making it impossible for drivers to navigate the area. Funding not available is unacceptable as this project should be funded by the city department's of DOT &amp; DEC</i>	
6/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Reconstruction of Ulmer Street from the Whitestone Expressway S.R to 25th Avenue. This street which is a main access road into College Point is collapsing causing drivers to lose control. The roadbed must be surcharged, and the sewers placed on piles in order for the street to not collapse again.</i>	
7/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Reconstruction of 28th Avenue from Linden Place to College Point Boulevard. This street is an access road into College Point as well as the Corporate park. The roadbed is collapsing and possibly causing drivers to lose control. The roadbed must be surcharged. and the sewers need to be placed on piles in order for the street not to collapse again.</i>	



10/28	DOT	<b>Improve traffic and pedestrian safety, including traffic calming</b>	<i>Implement recommendations of traffic study for College Point Corporate Park. Park rapidly developing and must move forward. It houses the new Police Academy, two Sanitation garages, the reconstructed Marine transfer station, plus the myriad of buildings, and retail components which adds to the present traffic congestion. With the development, the traffic study has focused on 1800 to 2000 coming to the site, the back-up of traffic along 20th Avenue extends into the community of Whitestone. 1998-project</i>	
14/28	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Muni Lot II located at 38th Avenue between Main &amp; Prince plays an integral role in the economic development of the Flushing community. Rapid development has outpaced Flushing's infrastructure. In order to meet the demands &amp; growth of the Flushing community a multipurpose multilevel parking lot is required.</i>	
16/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Implement Main Street redesign Phase IV. Downtown Flushing street improvements, sewer/water main replacement, curbs, sidewalks, lights, and landscape. This area is to include King Street, 36th Ave, 36th Rd, 37th Ave, and 39th Ave to College Point Boulevard.</i>	
18/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Construct College Point Boulevard between 14th and 23rd Avenues. This location is the main artery for the business district of College Point. The road has extensive flooding problems, in addition to street and sidewalk deterioration. This road reconstruction is necessary to bring this area up to grade.</i>	
25/28	NYCTA	<b>Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.</b>	<i>Expand mezzanine portion of #7 line to Prince Street to include an exit into 39-07 Prince Street. Board #7 passed a zoning change that in the near future, downtown Flushing will see an insurgence of new development west of Main Street. Recently a developer made a commitment that if the mezzanine were extended west they would allow and entrance/exit into this building.</i>	39-07 Prince St

CS	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Expansion &amp; upgrading of Flushing Airport (FA308), realignment of Linden Place required drainage retention pond. grade/curvature adjustments necessary due to location of drainage retention pond. Project abutted by Flushing Airport, College Pt., Sports Complex &amp; Corp. Park. Roadways involves cracked, uneven, &amp; deteriorating. Linden Place has severe water ponding condition w/non-existent curbs. There's a need for marginal road to get traffic off the southbound Whitestone Expwy. Svcs. Rd. (1998-project)</i>
CS	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Reconstruct and Correct Drainage systems at Casey Stengel Bus Depot located at 40-15 126th Street, Flushing(1980-project) MTA is responsible not DOT</i>

#### Expense Requests Related to Transportation and Mobility

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
4/25	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Fund a curb replacement program. Additional funding is needed to continue and accelerate a curb replacement contract in conjunction with the Highways IFA resurfacing program to include three crews which would include cement masons and A.C.H.R's crew personnel. (1993-project) There are quite a number of locations within CB7s District that are missing curbs or substandard ones. This program will help the homeowners</i>	
11/25	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Support replacement contracts for deteriorated bus pads. Community Board #7 with its 13 miles of streets and 24 bus lines, many of the bus pads in the area are deteriorated - they have either sunk or crumbled. The replacement program must be accelerated in order not to create a major liability for the city.</i>	
12/25	DOT	<b>Conduct traffic or parking studies</b>	<i>Support additional Transportation personnel for field studies, crews for handling replacement of missing and worn traffic signs, lane marking, bridge maintenance milling and resurfacing.</i>	

13/25	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Fund Additional equipment for DOT vehicles for inspections, field studies, utility trucks, bucket trucks and machine counters. Additional vehicles for Arterial highways back up trucks, rack trucks to handle trees pruning on the highways.</i>
25/25	DOT	<b>Improve parking operations</b>	<i>Improve Parking Operations. The need for Muni-meters and Commercial Muni-meters will assist in the Shopping areas and allow for a turn around for both deliveries and shoppers. Muni-meters allow for more parking spots and the commercial muni-meters provide a turn aroundfordelivers and well as the City now receives revenue from the deliveries.</i>

## **PARKS, CULTURAL AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

### **Queens Community Board 7**

#### Most Important Issue Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

##### **Forestry services, including street tree maintenance**

Community Board #7 has 64 park locations, over 30 greenstreets, as well as a portion of Flushing Meadows Corona Park. Our residents are always concerned about the maintenance and care of their parks, as well as the care of the trees within each of these parks. Unfortunately the maintenance of the trees within Kissena Park resulted in the death of a pregnant woman. Our residents are always calling us to discuss the conditions of the equipment that their children use within the playgrounds, and many of our seniors call with regard to the tennis courts. Due to the fact that we have a lot of park properties, the leagues are always concerned about the maintenance of the ballfields, soccer and football fields.

#### Community District Needs Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

##### **Needs for Parks**

In each of our parks, where there is a parkhouse, the residents are always requesting that the park have a full time park person over seeing the cleanliness of the building, as well as the balance of the park. As part of our budget we have always supported the needed for supplies that are for the park funded daycare programs. Within our expense budget priorities we have always supported an increase in regular as well as seasonal personnel in order to handle the ongoing maintenance of our tennis courts, proper tree maintenance, pruning and removals. We have quite a few Joint operated parks that need constant maintenance since they abut the local schools, and unfortunately the custodians of the schools do not assist. The JOP's must be maintained by both the parks and the Department of Education. With the tremendous amount of parkland, our district has a full time gardener and two part time gardeners to deal with the upkeep of the grass and flower beds within each of our parks. The sidewalk tree program time must be accelerated. Residents do not want to wait several years to have the roots trimmed on a city sidewalk tree that is uplifting their sidewalks causing tripping hazards and a liability to the homeowner. Since we have a tremendous amount of parkland, many of our capital and expense budget submission are for the parks department either through upgrading of a specific park, or additional resources for the agency.

##### **Needs for Cultural Services**

Flushing being the home of religious freedom, we house a myriad of cultural institutions that play a vital part for our communities. We have Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts housed in Flushing Town Hall, Queens Botanical Gardens, Poppenhusen Institute, Kingsland House, the Louis Latimer House, and Volker Orth House. Each of these buildings have played a very important role in the history of Queens, and we must constantly support their survival. These facilities provide music, art, and historical programs that our communities have requested, and they depend on financial help in order to address these requests. During a difficult budget year, their much needed funding has always been cut. Unfortunately these cuts result in an increase in monies that the patrons have to allocate. These institutions even though they are housed in our community, they serve the borough with programs of interest for all age groups, as well as ethnic populations.

##### **Needs for Library Services**

No comments

##### **Needs for Community Boards**

Community Board #7 is the largest population wise of all 59 community boards, in addition to being the most diverse world wide. In some instances our board serves over 150,000 more people than some Community Boards within the city. Even though we are a city agency, and we do appreciate the city picking up the cost of our rent, we still must pay for various service contracts in order for our agency to operate on a daily basis. In addition, the work load is tremendous due to the increase in population, development within the community - large scale developments - shopping malls and commercial establishments, we are working with 3 1/2 people including the District Manager. With a recorded population of over 250,000 documented people, and perhaps over 300,00 with the undocumented, of which 1/3 are seniors, and 1/3 new Americans, many of which many do not have a command of the

English language. This all takes more time, and while all boards receive the same budget, we feel this has a tremendous impact on our dedicated staff that works extremely hard to make sure that the needs of our residents are met.

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## Capital Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruction of Kissena Corridor Park. There is a need to reconstruct the ballfield at Colden Street and Elder Avenue, in addition to the Little league baseball/soccer field. In addition a sidewalk must be installed on the 56th Avenue side of the park. The park also needs additional benches, light poles, security and a designated walkway from 56th Avenue to Colden Street</i>	
5/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruction for MacNeil Park is needed to include: (1) paths, (2) playground, (3) installation of sidewalk abutting the Poppenhusen Avenue side of the park. (1993-project)</i>	
9/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruction of comfort station/park house for Flushing Memorial Field. The existing parkhouse houses not only the pre-school office, but their maintenance facility. This building is necessary to support the existing sports facilities within the park. (1984-project)</i>	
11/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruct Frank Golden Park. This reconstruction is necessary in order to rehabilitate and correct serious drainage problems. After a heavy rainstorm, this athletic field cannot be utilized for several days. Continued funding is needed for the drainage and Natural Turf Field renovations. Concern that a private entity Shannon Gales was thought than an infusion of money by them would help with some of its problems however, they maintained their own soccer field.</i>	
12/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruct Kissena Park Phase III. Design and rehabilitate the parkhouse abutting Kissena Lake. This parkhouse is utilized the pre-school program. Phase IV is for the upgrade of the paths and landscaping throughout the park. Phase V is for the rehabilitation of outdated and unsafe playgrounds throughout the park. Specifically the playgrounds at 164th, 160th, and Booth Memorial Avenue. Phase VI is for the construction of a comfort station in close proximity to the Veledrome.</i>	

15/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a building in a park</b>	<i>An architectural &amp; structural assessment needs to be done in order to stabilize the building, salvage the remaining details that dated to its original 1829 construction. The Willets Farm House will continue to be an important contributing resource in the Fort Totten Historic District &amp; testament to the early development of the borough.</i>	
17/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Upgrade paths, lighting and proper signage for Flushing Meadows Corona Park and Joe Michael's Mile. These two parks located within our board area, need extensive path and lighting rehabilitation since they are utilized by our residents. The agency must seriously look at these two locations to eliminate a potential liability to the city.</i>	
19/28	DCLA	<b>Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility</b>	<i>Increase funding for Poppenhusen Institute in College Point to preserve its historic structure. Need to complete a partially funded Bluestone Sidewalks &amp; Exterior lamp posts needed is \$1,183,000. The building has sustained damage and needs the installation of a handicapped service elevator, including upgrading of electric, a facsimile of a gas lighting system, safety upgrades for a second means of egress to include raised handrails. This Landmark facility should be funded by the city and not individual organizations as Poppenhusen falls under the Department of Cultural Affairs.</i>	
20/28	DCLA	<b>Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility</b>	<i>Continue upgrade of Queens Botanical Garden. Seeks funding for a new Education Center. In addition to repairs needed to upgrade their greenhouses to include emergency heating systems. Additional bathrooms as well as handicapped facilities replaced. Upgrades should be funded by the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs. (1984 project)</i>	43-50 Main Street
23/28	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>There is a need for a Nature/Environmental Center to be located by the South West Corner of Meadow Lake in FMCP. This Center would provide various groups i.e. birdwatchers, Boy &amp; Girl Scouts and students to utilize the Park in a more organized environmental atmosphere. This building which would need renovation was originally utilized the boat storage.</i>	



26/28	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruction and upgrade of College Point Sport Park on Ulmer. Construction is to include a parking lot, sports lighting (night time) as well as athletic Fields (track &amp; football).</i>
27/28	DPR	<b>Improve access to a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Improve access to George Hugh Harvey Park at 20th Ave. Provide Sidewalk installation on northbound. service road &amp; 20th Ave. for safety &amp; security of park patrons. Park is heavily utilized by youth playing various sports or utilization of playground and without sidewalks both parents and youngsters end up walking in the roadbed in order to use the park, thus creating a very dangerous situation fro both pedestrians &amp; drivers.</i>
CS	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruct Little Bay Park. Construction of a fitness track. (1982-project)</i>

#### Expense Requests Related to Parks, Cultural and Other Community Facilities

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
2/25	DPR	<b>Provide better park maintenance</b>	<i>CB#7-Qns supports an increase in regular, &amp; seasonal personnel in order to maintain park locations, tennis courts, proper tree maintenance which include pruning &amp; removal, Joint Operated Parks, PEP Workers, Green street location &amp; playgrounds. A tremendous amount of parkland in CB#7 seasonal workers and 21 POP workers will eliminate the full time and part time gardeners. Additional monies needed for sidewalk tree programs, maintenance &amp; recreational staff &amp; an operator for Parks Dept. Tram.</i>	
9/25	DPR	<b>Other park programming requests</b>	<i>Increase supplies and equipment for Parks. Items and programs for arts and crafts. As well as tools and equipment in order to maintain our parks, ie mowers, Bobcats vehicles, weed whackers, hand held blowers zero turn mowers.</i>	



17/25	DCLA	<b>Support nonprofit cultural organizations</b>	<i>Support Nonprofit Cultural Organizations - Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts, Lewis Latimer House, Queens Botanical Garden, Poppenhusen Institute Bowne House and the Kingsland House. Request MORE funding for these institutes, In the City-Wide picture, Queens receives the least amount to our Cultural institutions than any of the other 4 Boroughs. Queens should be getting it fair share.</i>	
18/25	QL	<b>Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs</b>	<i>CB#7 is one of the most ethnically diverse communities in the city. It is necessary for our Libraries to have book and electronic equipment not only in English, but in the languages familiar to our newly arrived population.</i>	
21/25	OMB	<b>Provide more community board staff</b>	<i>Agency response is that Community Board budgets are being increased. Recommend continue support</i>	133-32 41st Road Suite 3-B

## **6. OTHER BUDGET REQUESTS**

### **Other Capital Requests**

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

### **Other Expense Requests**

The Community Board did not submit any Budget Requests in this category.

## 7. SUMMARY OF PRIORITIZED BUDGET REQUESTS

### Capital Budget Requests

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4/28	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Willeys Point Phase II - This area has been neglected by the city of New York and needs a total Capital reconstruction to include sidewalks, roadbed, sewers, and street lighting. This area has extensive flooding problems and the roadbed has sunk making it impossible for drivers to navigate the area. Funding not available is unacceptable as this project should be funded by the city department's of DOT &amp; DEC</i>	
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8/28	DEP	<b>Other capital budget request for DEP</b>	<i>The construction and reconstruction of sanitary, storm and combined sewers Mitchell Linden area will help lessen the incidents of sewer back-ups and will assist in the draining of storm and sanitary water. Problem sites 138th St. from cross section at 31st Rd to 29th Rd. Also, 137th St. from 31st Rd. at cross section to 32nd St. along the Whitestone Expwy Service Rd. going north betw Linden Place and 141st St. The modernization of interlocker catch basins and granite head catch basins will facilitate maintenance within board #7 (1984-project)</i>
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13/28	FDNY	<b>Rehabilitate or renovate existing fire houses or EMS stations</b>	<i>Rehabilitate or renovate existing Fire Houses &amp; EMS Stations. Due to growth in the number of housing units in CB#7-Qns. upgrading the firehouse is of the utmost importance which includes electrical system, plumbing, painting throughout , and back-up diesel generators (E295 &amp; E297). Relates to four Engine companies 274, 273, 297 &amp; 295</i>
14/28	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Muni Lot II located at 38th Avenue between Main &amp; Prince plays an integral role in the economic development of the Flushing community. Rapid development has outpaced Flushing's infrastructure. In order to meet the demands &amp; growth of the Flushing community a multipurpose multilevel parking lot is required.</i>
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20/28	DCLA	<b>Renovate or upgrade an existing cultural facility</b>	<i>Continue upgrade of Queens Botanical Garden. Seeks funding for a new Education Center. In addition to repairs needed to upgrade their greenhouses to include emergency heating systems. Additional bathrooms as well as handicapped facilities replaced. Upgrades should be funded by the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs. (1984 project)</i>	43-50 Main Street
21/28	FDNY	<b>Upgrade communication equipment to improve emergency response</b>	<i>Complete &amp; Upgrade of E.R.S. boxes will cut down on false alarms and provide better services in times of real emergencies. Will eliminate wear and tear and waste of diesel fuel on the rigs.</i>	

22/28	DFTA	<b>Renovate or upgrade a senior center</b>	<i>Funding must be obtained to allow the Department for the Aging to re-establish the North Flushing Senior Center and develop additional sites within CB#7-Qns. Our District has a senior population with close to 1250,000, &amp; with the lack of upgraded facilities this goal is hard to accomplish. Our seniors are more active &amp; involved. In addition provide voucher program for senior transportation.</i>	
23/28	DPR	<b>Provide a new or expanded park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>There is a need for a Nature/Environmental Center to be located by the South West Corner of Meadow Lake in FMCP. This Center would provide various groups i.e. birdwatchers, Boy &amp; Girl Scouts and students to utilize the Park in a more organized environmental atmosphere. This building which would need renovation was originally utilized the boat storage.</i>	
24/28	NYPD	<b>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</b>	<i>Over the years crime has increased in Flushing Meadows Corona Park. The Precincts surrounding the park are too busy to assist with regard to park security. If an incident was to occur within the park the response time would be significantly improved with the establishment of a satellite precinct. Safety must be our number one priority for the myriad of families utilizing the park on a daily basis</i>	
25/28	NYCTA	<b>Improve accessibility of transit infrastructure, by providing elevators, escalators, etc.</b>	<i>Expand mezzanine portion of #7 line to Prince Street to include an exit into 39-07 Prince Street. Board #7 passed a zoning change that in the near future, downtown Flushing will see an insurgence of new development west of Main Street. Recently a developer made a commitment that if the mezzanine were extended west they would allow and entrance/exit into this building.</i>	39-07 Prince St
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28/28	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>At present locker room are old and must be updated to accommodate the female officers and new hire's at the 109th Pct.</i>
CS	EDC	<b>Make infrastructure investments that will support growth in local business districts</b>	<i>Improve and develop Flushing Airport site to support growth in Local Business District also to be utilized for soft recreational uses which would include using an aviation theme. site should include uses such as a driving range, miniature golf, water park to enhance the wetlands, etc. CB#7-Qns. does not want to see heavy trucking uses such as a manufacturing or a retail component. (1980-project)</i>
CS	DOT	<b>Reconstruct streets</b>	<i>Expansion &amp; upgrading of Flushing Airport (FA308), realignment of Linden Place required drainage retention pond. grade/curvature adjustments necessary due to location of drainage retention pond. Project abutted by Flushing Airport, College Pt., Sports Complex &amp; Corp. Park. Roadways involves cracked, uneven, &amp; deteriorating. Linden Place has severe water ponding condition w/non-existent curbs. There's a need for marginal road to get traffic off the southbound Whitestone Expwy. Svcs. Rd. (1998-project)</i>
CS	DOT	<b>Other transportation infrastructure requests</b>	<i>Reconstruct and Correct Drainage systems at Casey Stengel Bus Depot located at 40-15 126th Street, Flushing(1980-project) MTA is responsible not DOT</i>
CS	DPR	<b>Reconstruct or upgrade a park or amenity (i.e. playground, outdoor athletic field)</b>	<i>Reconstruct Little Bay Park. Construction of a fitness track. (1982-project)</i>



CS	FDNY	<b>Other FDNY facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>There is a need to develop a multi agency civic learning center to teach youngsters about safety issues as it pertains to fire, buildings, environmental protection, health, police and sanitation departments. In addition, these site could be used for seniors as a refresher center.</i>
CS	NYPD	<b>Provide a new NYPD facility, such as a new precinct house or sub-precinct</b>	<i>Community Board #7 having the largest population of the 59 Community Boards, and one of the largest in geographic area, there is a need for an additional police precinct in our district. According to information the 109th precinct is 4th in the overall index crime complaints in the city, and first in Queens for radio runs ( approximately 6,000 per month). The fair share allocation for manpower has to take into consideration the quality of life issues that the precinct has to deal with. This requires time and manpower of which our precinct is being stretched far beyond their limit.</i>

## Expense Budget Requests

Priority	Agency	Request	Explanation	Location
1/25	DOB	<b>Assign additional building inspectors (including expanding training programs)</b>	<i>Due to the increase of construction in CB 7, there is a need to increase the number of qualified inspectors to expand the administrative tribunal to deal with the volume of violations and to increase the number of inside personnel to assist CB staff 8 additional support staff, additional administrative staff and additional inspectors are needed.</i>	
2/25	DPR	<b>Provide better park maintenance</b>	<i>CB#7-Qns supports an increase in regular, &amp; seasonal personnel in order to maintain park locations, tennis courts, proper tree maintenance which include pruning &amp; removal, Joint Operated Parks, PEP Workers, Green street location &amp; playgrounds. A tremendous amount of parkland in CB#7 seasonal workers and 21 POP workers will eliminate the full time and part time gardeners. Additional monies needed for sidewalk tree programs, maintenance &amp; recreational staff &amp; an operator for Parks Dept. Tram.</i>	
3/25	DEP	<b>Investigate noise complaints at specific location</b>	<i>Money must be allocated to purchase noise mitigation equipment for the Agency to measure the sound levels of pile driving &amp; jack hammering. With the accelerated new construction going on in our district we have been receiving an increase in complaints from area residents regarding noise which presently is been monitored &amp; enforced by DEP. Investigating noise complaints at specific locations is needed. Tickets issued in 2018 - 93 and in 2019 - 92. Other agencies also issued tickets ie: NYPD</i>	
4/25	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Fund a curb replacement program. Additional funding is needed to continue and accelerate a curb replacement contract in conjunction with the Highways IFA resurfacing program to include three crews which would include cement masons and A.C.H.R's crew personnel. (1993-project) There are quite a number of locations within CB7s District that are missing curbs or substandard ones. This program will help the homeowners</i>	

5/25	DEP	<b>Clean catch basins</b>	<i>Additional maintenance staff is needed to handle the increase number of street collapses and to perform odor control monitoring at water plants &amp; staff to handle repairs for the general cleaning and repairing of catch basins.</i>
6/25	DSNY	<b>Other enforcement requests</b>	<i>Additional personnel are needed to handle basket pick-ups on Saturday, Sunday &amp; Holidays on commercial strips. Maintain 5-day school collection &amp; twice weekly recycling collection &amp; sweepers. Plus household bulk must be opened during the week to accommodate homeowners who need access to the dump. If the household dump is not accessible illegal dumping will increase.</i>
7/25	DFTA	<b>Other senior center program requests</b>	<i>As mention in the Capital Priority, the need of Senior Centers is now at a status Quo, what is needed is continued funding for the existing Senior Centers as well as increasing the funding to maintain the amount of seniors that are using these facilities.</i>
8/25	NYPD	<b>Assign additional uniformed officers</b>	<i>Support funding for additional personnel to address quality of life complaints, maintain the DARE program (workshop on drug education for school children). Additional civilian personnel to relieve officers assigned to the 109th precinct, school crossing guards. Additional traffic enforcement agents are needed to intensify enforcement coverage. In addition, the K9 unit dogs are capable of sniffing out drugs and bombs.</i>
9/25	DPR	<b>Other park programming requests</b>	<i>Increase supplies and equipment for Parks. Items and programs for arts and crafts. As well as tools and equipment in order to maintain our parks, ie mowers, Bobcats vehicles, weed whackers, hand held blowers zero turn mowers.</i>
10/25	NYPD	<b>Other NYPD facilities and equipment requests</b>	<i>Need funds for order boots for commercial trucks that park overnight in residential areas as well a heavy duty tow truck for 18 wheelers. Additional equipment Plate Readers, GLA Trackers and Argus Cameras</i>

11/25	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Support replacement contracts for deteriorated bus pads. Community Board #7 with its 13 miles of streets and 24 bus lines, many of the bus pads in the area are deteriorated - they have either sunk or crumbled. The replacement program must be accelerated in order not to create a major liability for the city.</i>
12/25	DOT	<b>Conduct traffic or parking studies</b>	<i>Support additional Transportation personnel for field studies, crews for handling replacement of missing and worn traffic signs, lane marking, bridge maintenance milling and resurfacing.</i>
13/25	DOT	<b>Other traffic improvement requests</b>	<i>Fund Additional equipment for DOT vehicles for inspections, field studies, utility trucks, bucket trucks and machine counters. Additional vehicles for Arterial highways back up trucks, rack trucks to handle trees pruning on the highways.</i>
14/25	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Funds for Fire Department personnel and Training, Restoration of Fire salvage Unit Fire Safety Education Unit Marine Units, Haz-Mat Units as well as additional training in counter terrorism</i>
15/25	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Provide funding for Fire House to upgrade them with backup generators, GPS for their Apparatus,. Funding for Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors and CPR Kits for their Fire Safety Education Unit.</i>
16/25	DSNY	<b>Provide more frequent garbage or recycling pick-up</b>	<i>Maintaining the weekly recycling program is a necessity with the increasing population, building growth and new products-i.e.: all plastics, clothing and food waste. It's extremely important to have weekly collections in order to accommodate the anticipated growth of the agency/population. Quota numbers need to be increased.</i>
17/25	DCLA	<b>Support nonprofit cultural organizations</b>	<i>Support Nonprofit Cultural Organizations - Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts, Lewis Latimer House, Queens Botanical Garden, Poppenhusen Institute Bowne House and the Kingsland House. Request MORE funding for these institutes, In the City-Wide picture, Queens receives the least amountto ourCultural institutions than any of the other 4 Boroughs. Queens should be getting it fair share.</i>

18/25	QL	<b>Extend library hours or expand and enhance library programs</b>	<i>CB#7 is one of the most ethnically diverse communities in the city. It is necessary for our Libraries to have book and electronic equipment not only in English, but in the languages familiar to our newly arrived population.</i>	
19/25	FDNY	<b>Expand funding for fire prevention and life safety initiatives</b>	<i>Fire Marshals are the detectives for the Fire Department and are on the scene of a fire to determine if arson is the cause. The evidence must not be destroyed, and with the projected opening of the base in Queens the backload of open cases and arson fires will be reduced. Request funding for Fire Marshal Personnel and programs ie. the Juvenile Fire Setters Intervention and the arson task force.</i>	
20/25	DOE	<b>Other educational programs requests</b>	<i>Joint Education Programs between Board of Education and Parks Dept. It was felt that Parks is funding a lot of the playgrounds and in most cases they can't and refer back to the Community Boards to get funding from the Borough President's Office and Local Elected Officials. It is requested that the Board of Education provide fund on joint playgrounds. The board has seen improvements but continue supporting joint funding by both Agencies.</i>	
21/25	OMB	<b>Provide more community board staff</b>	<i>Agency response is that Community Board budgets are being increased. Recommend continue support</i>	133-32 41st Road Suite 3-B
22/25	EDC	<b>Expand programs to support local businesses and entrepreneurs</b>	<i>Funding is needed for the Local Businesses to assist them with the current rising cost business.</i>	
23/25	HPD	<b>Expand programs for housing inspections to correct code violations</b>	<i>Expand programs for Housing Inspections to Correct Code Violations. Funding for Staff Attorney's to handle the backload of cases. Cases are increasing each year by 7-8 per cent.</i>	
24/25	HRA	<b>Provide, expand, or enhance food assistance, such as Food Stamps / SNAP</b>	<i>Provide, expand or enhance food assistance, such as Food Stamps/ SNAP as well as other programs such as Transportation Vouchers Board 7 has a very high population of Senior Citizens, immigrant adults an low income Families. Any funding to assist in these areas is recommended. Agency's response is that SNAP is a Federal program however other programs are not and fund should be provided to assist them.</i>	

**Improve parking operations**

*Improve Parking Operations. The need for Muni-meters and Commercial Muni-meters will assist in the Shopping areas and allow for a turn around for both deliveries and shoppers. Muni-meters allow for more parking spots and the commercial muni-meters provide a turn around for deliveries and well as the City now receives revenue from the deliveries.*