

# WORKING TOGETHER



## COMMITTEE TASKS AND ACTIVITIES 2009 - 10

### PARKS, ARTS AND CULTURE

- AS PART OF THE BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF PARKS, THE ARTS, AND CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS (WHERE SHOULD THE MONEY BE SPENT?)
- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED IN THE ADOPTED BUDGET FOR PARKS, THE ARTS, AND CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS **(See Capital Expense Budget Request CS)**  
**Keep the community and the Board abreast of the renovation of Von King Arts Center.**
- **Advocate for and monitor progress toward a cultural and recreational facility in the Sumner Armory.**
- WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO DEVELOP A DATABASE OF ARTS, CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS AND PARKS IN THE AREA.
- ADVERTISE/ANNOUNCE CULTURAL EVENTS AT THE MONTHLY PUBLIC MEETINGS.
- DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING A LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM CB #3

### CIVIC & Police, Fire and Safety

- **Participate in the voter registration drive**
- WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A CURRENT LISTING OF BLOCK ASSOCIATIONS, CIVIC, TENANT ASSOCIATIONS, AND FAITH BASED INSTITUTIONS.

- WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER COMMUNITY GROUPS AND CITY AGENCIES TO FOSTER NEW BLOCK ASSOCIATIONS AND STRENGTHEN EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS.
- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF CITY SERVICES, INCLUDING POLICE, FIRE, AND SAFETY (E.G., EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS) (WHERE SHOULD THE MONEY BE SPENT?)
- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED IN THE AREAS OF POLICE, FIRE, AND SAFETY SERVICES (HOW IS THE MONEY BEING SPENT?)
- **Alert the community to any impending police, fire or safety issues or programs (e.g., increases in crime, reports from the Safety Task Force, speakers from the precinct councils/precincts, Fire Safety Month, National Night Out Against Crime, etc.)**
- PLAN ONE INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION ON POLICE FIRE AND SAFETY SERVICES [SEXUAL PREDATORS IN CB#3]

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER SERVICES**

- OVERSEE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSING PROCESS.
- WORK WITH HOUSING & LAND USE TO DEVELOP A COMMUNITY CONTRACT FOR FUTURE DEVELOPERS.
- WORK WITH HOUSING & LAND USE COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP AN ECONOMIC AND HOUSING PLAN FOR THE VACANT LAND ON ATLANTIC AVENUE AND THE VACANT LAND ON FULTON STREET WHICH IS IN COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY'S DISTRICT.
- UPDATE THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC ON THE EAST BROADWAY BID.
- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES. **(See expense budget request # 12 & 13) Contact DSBS.**
- **Update the Board and the public of the Bed-Stuy Gateway Business Improvement District and streetscape plan with a presentation from DSBS (pick a month)**

## **EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES**

- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH INITIATIVES.

- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR EDUCATION AND YOUTH INITIATIVES. (HOW IS THE MONEY BEING SPENT?) CONTACT THE SCHOOLS IN BOARD 3 AND ASK ABOUT BUDGET CUTS AFFECTING THEIR PROGRAMS.
- DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR ANY GROUPS APPEARING BEFORE THE COMMITTEE THAT ARE REQUESTING LETTERS OF SUPPORT. [SEE SAMPLES FROM LAND USE AND CONSUMER SERVICES.]
- INTERFACE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD (SHOULD WE HAVE REPRESENTATION?)
- WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO DEVELOP A DATA BASE OF ALL CURRENT YOUTH AGENCIES AND GROUPS IN THE COMMUNITY.
- **Complete a biographies package based on the streets that have been co-named after African-Americans.**

## **HOUSING AND LAND USE**

- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF HOUSING/LAND USE ISSUES (WHERE SHOULD THE MONEY BE SPENT?)
- **Work with the economic committee to develop a community contract for future developers.**
- **Develop the plan for the Rezoning of Brooklyn North (include initial contact timelines)**
- WORK WITH THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO FORMULATE A HOUSING & ECONOMIC PLAN FOR THE VACANT LAND ON FULTON STREET AND THE VACANT LAND ON ATLANTIC AVENUE IN COUNCIL MEMBER MEALY'S DISTRICT.

## **LANDMARKS**

- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF LANDMARK/HISTORICAL ISSUES (WHERE SHOULD THE MONEY BE SPENT?)
- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR LANDMARK/HISTORICAL ISSUES. (HOW IS THE MONEY BEING SPENT?)
- IMPLEMENT THE PLAN FOR THE LAND-MARKING OF OTHER SITES IN CB #3.
- KEEP THE PUBLIC INFORMED OF GRANTS AND SERVICES OFFERED BY CITY AGENCIES. (COMMITTEE MUST DO THE RESEARCH.)

## POSTAL

- ADVOCATE FOR EXTENDED HOURS AT AREA POST OFFICES.
- COLLABORATE WITH THE CIVIC COMMITTEE AND ADVOCATE FOR EARLIER DELIVERY HOURS IN SOME SECTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY.
- ADVOCATE FOR ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL/IMPROVED SERVICE AT SELECTED POST OFFICES.
- PROVIDE INFORMATION ON HISTORICAL STAMPS AND OTHER PROGRAMS OF INTEREST TO THE COMMUNITY.
- **Have a postal representative at a monthly board meeting for Q&A session.**

## SENIOR SERVICES

- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF SENIOR SERVICES (WHERE SHOULD THE MONEY BE SPENT?)
- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR SENIOR SERVICES. (HOW IS THE MONEY BEING SPENT?)
- IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DISTRICT MANAGER, PREPARE A DATABASE OF SENIOR CENTERS, SENIOR HOUSING, AND OTHER SENIOR SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY.
- PREPARE A BROCHURE THAT EXPLAINS SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS (E.G., STAR, HEAP, EPIC, MEALS-ON-WHEELS, ETC.)
- PARTICIPATE IN PROJECTS THAT FIGHT AGAINST PREDATORY LENDING.
- IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SENIOR TASK FORCE, SPONSOR ONE EVENT.

## SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH

- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES (WHERE SHOULD THE MONEY BE SPENT?)
- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES. (HOW IS THE MONEY BEING SPENT?)
- **Develop guidelines for any groups appearing before the committee that are requesting letters of support. [See samples from the Land Use and Consumer Services committees]**

- KEEP THE BOARD AND COMMUNITY INFORMED ON MAJOR HEALTH ISSUES THAT IMPACT THIS COMMUNITY. (INFANT MORTALITY, DIABETES, OBESITY, SWINE FLU, HIV VIRUS)
- IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DISTRICT MANAGER, UPDATE THE LISTING OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH RESOURCES IN THE COMMUNITY.
- MEET WITH THE COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO DEVELOP A DATA BASE OF HOMELESS FACILITIES.
- PLAN AN INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION BY HEALTH PROVIDERS [WHAT SERVICES DO OUR HOSPITALS OFFER?] SELECT A MONTH.
- MONITOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE HOMELESS POPULATION IN CB#3. (PUBLIC & PRIVATE COMMUNITY BASE ORGANIZATIONS)

## **TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT INCREASED/IMPROVED TRANSPORTATION **services (See Capital Expense Request # 2 for Utica Avenue train station elevator)**
- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR TRANSPORTATION **services (See Capital Expense request #1 for Nostrand Avenue)**
- AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF IMPROVED/INCREASED ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND SANITATION SERVICES. (WHERE SHOULD THE MONEY BE SPENT?)
- MONITOR THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND SANITATION SERVICES. (HOW IS THE MONEY BEING SPENT?)
- **In collaboration with the Board Chair and the District Manager, continue to advocate for the construction of the Sanitation Garage, and provide progress reports to the Board and community.**
- IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DISTRICT MANAGER, MONITOR ISSUES REGARDING DRAINAGE AND SEWER PROBLEMS, AND PROVIDE PROGRESS REPORTS TO THE BOARD AND COMMUNITY.
- PRESENT ONE INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND SANITATION SERVICES. (SELECT A MONTH.)

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- PARTICIPATE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DISTRICT NEEDS STATEMENT AND THE CAPITAL AND EXPENSE BUDGET.
- MONITOR THE PROGRESS OF ALL FUNDED PROJECTS.
- PLAN PROJECT DATES.
- BE *fully familiar* WITH MAJOR LAND USE ISSUES.
- BE RESPONSIVE TO COMPLAINTS FROM THE COMMUNITY.
- PLAN THE MONTHLY PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA.
- PARTICIPATE IN THE HANDLING OF CONFIDENTIAL ISSUES THAT MAY ARISE.