

# Legislation Text

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Resolution approving the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations to receive funding in the Expense Budget.

By Council Member Recchia

Whereas, On June 29, 2011 the Council of the City of New York (the "City Council") adopted the expense budget for fiscal year 2012 with various programs and initiatives (the "Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget"); and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving local, aging and youth discretionary funding, and by approving the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations to receive funding pursuant to certain initiatives in accordance therewith; and

Whereas, On June 29, 2010 the Council of the City of New York (the "City Council") adopted the expense budget for fiscal year 2011 with various programs and initiatives (the "Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget"); and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget by approving the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving local and youth discretionary funding, and by approving the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations to receive funding pursuant to a certain initiative in accordance therewith; and

Whereas, On June 19, 2010 the Council of the City of New York (the "City Council") adopted the

expense budget for fiscal year 2010 with various programs and initiatives (the "Fiscal 2010 Expense Budget"); and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for the Sunnyside Community Services Center, Inc., an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$40,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development to read: "To sustain adult day services for seniors; expand programming and case assistance in new Center for active older adults."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for the Department of Sanitation (Queens West), an agency receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$21,000 to read: "Custom Baskets along Roosevelt Ave from 82nd Street to 104th Street and cost to provide litter basket service on alternate Sunday and additional service on Saturdays for 2hrs for 26 weeks."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Centro Altagracia de Fe y Justicia, an organization receiving local discretionary funding to read: "This expansion of our current community organizing program would consist of week-long service projects for youth, ages 13-18, to be conducted during the school breaks in the summer and mid-winter. The intended service projects would be conducted at various locations within Community Board 12, such as senior center, parks, churches, CBOs, etc. Each service day would conclude with a reflectionary session, giving the participants an opportunity to share their experiences as well as receive additional information regarding some of the big picture questions. For example, participants working on a project at a senior center, would reflect on the perceptions, treatment and care of the elderly in our society."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Ansob Center for

Refugees, an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$10,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development to read: "Funding in support of its English Language Program."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Elmcor Youth and Adult Activities, Inc., an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$12,857 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development to read: "To be used for two events - Black History and Women's Conference."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for CIVITAS Citizens, Inc., an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$6,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development to read:

"Funding for a Design Ideas Competition for the East River Esplanade to consider useful and original concepts to improve user experience and access to this important park. The area encompassed by the Competition will be 60<sup>th</sup> Street to 125<sup>th</sup> Street. The purpose of the program is to generate ideas and build community support for the Esplanade. When the CB8 Esplanade is connected to the existing greenway south of 34th Street, there will likely be an increase in stakeholders using the continuous waterfront pathway. Improvements to the CB8 Esplanade will be a long-term project. A Design Ideas Competition is an important first step. There is a dire need for improved conditions as it is one of few parks in a neighborhood that lacks green space. CB8 has less than .5 acre per 1,000 residents. This is below the optimal ratio (2.5 acres per 1,000 residents) in other NYC neighborhoods. With its narrow footprint between FDR Drive and the river, the Esplanade presents a design challenge to maximize the use and enjoyment of this important amenity. Furthermore, in sections there are limited, difficult to locate or unsafe access points to the Esplanade. A notable example is the dangerous grade crossing at 96th Street that traverses multiple FDR Drive entry and exit ramps. The competition will include a

call for entries to designers, a juried selection process and a public display of entries. To continue to generate community support, the entries will also be available for review on a website after the display has been removed. The project will be administered by CIVITAS staff and volunteers. The overall budget of the project is 30,000 and CIVITAS requests 10,000 in funding. This includes: costs of administering the program and publicizing the program via the public display and website."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Forest Park Trust, Inc.an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$10,000 within the budget of the Department of Parks and Recreation to read: "To support the 5K run and concerts in the Sueffert Bandshell."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Flushing Town Hall, an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$5,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development to read: "To support arts programming for District 30."

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for

Guardians of the Sick an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$5,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development within the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget to read: "The Family Crisis Intervention Program assists families whose children are at risk for abuse and neglect, as well as with situations of domestic violence. Referrals are made to our office from any number of sources, including neighbors, relatives, or school principals/teachers. The staff then arranges a home visit and makes a complete assessment. Our intervention serves as a safety net for thousands of children by guiding parents into therapy, assisting with payment for counseling, and providing food and clothing vouchers redeemable in local

stores. Our bi-weekly parenting classes offer guidance and coping techniques in relation to real- life problems and concerns. Additionally, a support group for victims of domestic violence meets regularly under the program's auspices. When a familial situation deems it necessary, children are sponsored during the summer to day or overnight camps. We also provide big brothers/big sisters who serve as positive role models, by giving one on one attention to at- risk children. Volunteers advocate and assist families with employment, housing, and school placement. A Sunday morning art class for pre-teen girls is facilitated both by a professional artist and social work interns. Through artistic expression these children build self-confidence and self-esteem. Built into the program is social skills training led by the social work interns. The City Council's grant for the Family Crisis Intervention Program helps ensure the continued existence of this vital community program."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Agudath Israel of America Community Services, Inc., an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$15,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development within the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget to read: "To provide career counseling, training, placement, advice and referrals to individuals seeking employment or facing job related or other economic or social issues, many of whom are low income."; and

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Bobbi and the Strays, Inc., an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$1,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development within the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget to read: "Funds to support the neutering of animals."

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the

Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for

Maspeth Town Hall, Inc., an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$2,000 within the budget of the Department of Youth and Community Development within the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget to read: "Funds to support general operating expenses."

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for Greenpoint Manufacturing and Design Center Local Development Corporation, an organization receiving local discretionary funding in the amount of \$15,000 within the budget of the Department of Small Business Services within the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget to read: "GMDC will provide services to businesses located in GMDC owned buildings. The services include referrals and accessing incentives."

Whereas, The City Council is hereby implementing and furthering the appropriations set forth in the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget by approving the new Description/Scope of Services for United Senior Citizen Center of Sunset Park, Inc., an organization receiving aging discretionary funding in the amount of \$18,750 within the budget of the Department for the Aging within the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget to read: "For the purchase of equipment and renovations."; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new Description/Scope of Services for certain organizations receiving local discretionary funding in the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new Description/Scope of Services for certain organizations receiving local and aging discretionary funding in the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving local discretionary funding in accordance with the Fiscal 2012 Expense

Budget, as set forth in Chart 1; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving aging discretionary funding in accordance with the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 2; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving youth discretionary funding in accordance with the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 3; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving funding pursuant to the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Assistance Program Initiative in accordance with the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 4; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving funding pursuant to the Expansion at New Amsterdam Market in accordance with the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 5; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving funding pursuant to a PEG Restoration relating to senior center closures in accordance with the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 6.

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving funding pursuant to a PEG Restoration relating to Runaway and Homeless Youth Services in accordance with the Fiscal 2012 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 7.

Resolved, That the City Council approves an Initiative Fund Transfer, as set forth in Chart 8.

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving local discretionary funding in accordance with the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 9; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving youth discretionary funding in accordance with the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 10; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving funding pursuant to the Immigration Opportunity Initiative in accordance with the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 11; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations receiving funding pursuant to an Initiative Fund Transfer in accordance with the Fiscal 2011 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 12; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Council approves the new designation and changes in the designation of a certain organization receiving local discretionary funding in accordance with the Fiscal 2010 Expense Budget, as set forth in Chart 13.

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