

Central NeighborhoodStat Working Group #2

Physical Space Conversation

March 15, 2021





Reminders

- Today's conversation will be recorded
- We encourage you to turn on your camera and be fully engaged
- Please mute yourself unless speaking
- Zoom features



To reiterate, here are
our Community
Agreements.

**Do you agree? Do you
not agree?**

- Respect everyone's opinions
- 1, 2, 3 then me
- One microphone
- Be present and remain engaged
- Be mindful of the time

Agenda: 4-6pm

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|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| 15 min | Welcome + Introduction |
| 10 min | WG #1 Recap + Survey Shareback |
| 85 min | Issue + Power Analysis |
| 5 min | Knowledge-Building |
| 5 min | Next Steps |

WG #1 Recap

- Reviewed work to date
- Drafted vision statements
- Expanded understanding of what policy is through Event Policy Analysis
- Evaluated impact + effort in past efforts
- Gained understanding of what is in an Action Agenda

Working Group Timeline



WORKING GROUP #1
WEEK OF 2/22

INTRO + CONTEXT

- Get to know each other
- Review what we know
- Set expectations
- Draft vision

WORKING GROUP #2
WEEK OF 3/15

IDENTIFICATION

- Identify issues, opportunities and challenges

WORKING GROUP #3
WEEK OF 4/5

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Develop recs

WORKING GROUP #4
WEEK OF 4/26

SUCCESS INDICATORS

- Review and finalize recs
- Develop metrics for success

WORKING GROUP #5
WEEK OF 5/17

WRAP UP + NEXT STEPS

- All Working Groups convene and share out their recs for the Action Agenda

Original Vision Statement: Physical Space

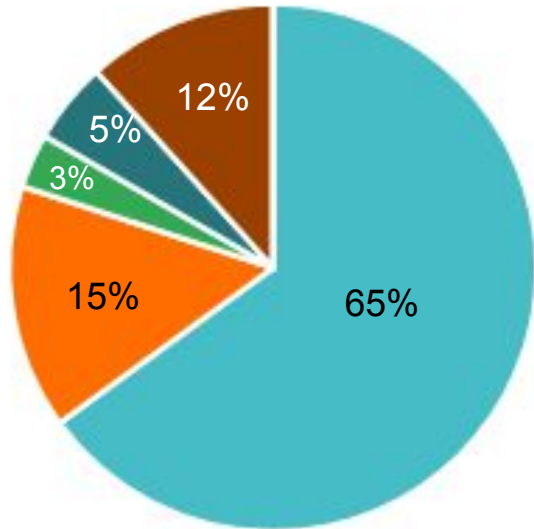
"We envision a future when residents will have access to safe, clean, green, and activated spaces that promote play and recreation for all ages, offer opportunities for rest and community connection, and reflect and celebrate our diverse cultures and history. "

Adjusted Vision Statement: Physical Space

Adjustments from community:

- Change “all ages” to “all people” to inclusive of mobility, gender, etc.
- A space for senior citizens
- Add “keep community cleaner and safer which allows the spaces to unite and interact”
- Mention increasing participation in the community centers
- Add “Including all mental and physical levels of human beings”
- “Build better areas for the community to come together as a family”
- “Provide adequate space to hold forum, events, and workshops”
- “Within that space what about opportunities for small businesses and economic activity?”

Survey Results: Physical Space Top Issues



1. Safety and Health
2. Recreation and Play
3. Culture and Cohesion
4. Greening and Rest
5. Circulation and Wayfinding

Survey Results: Physical Space Top Issues

“Our campus needs repair, and upkeep. We also need to activate under used space.”

“I feel that the black gate is like being in prison. This development was not built with gates, it was built with chain links.”

“Safety and health is a big concern in the community we have to find guidelines or a compromise that helps everyone, this might have to be with strict rules like paying a fine for damaging property like doors.”

Playgrounds can use an update and more gardening.”

“Need more interactions by Community Organizations with the residents based on different age groups.”

Survey Results: Physical Space Actions Taken

- 1. Beautifying the Neighborhood**
- 2. Serving the Community**
- 3. Improving Infrastructure**
- 4. Activating the Neighborhood**
- 5. Working on Community Art and Culture**
- 6. Coordinating with Outside Partners**
- 7. Waiting to Work**
- 8. Conducting Community Outreach**
- 9. Educating the Local Residents**
- 10. Making Resources and Services More Accessible**

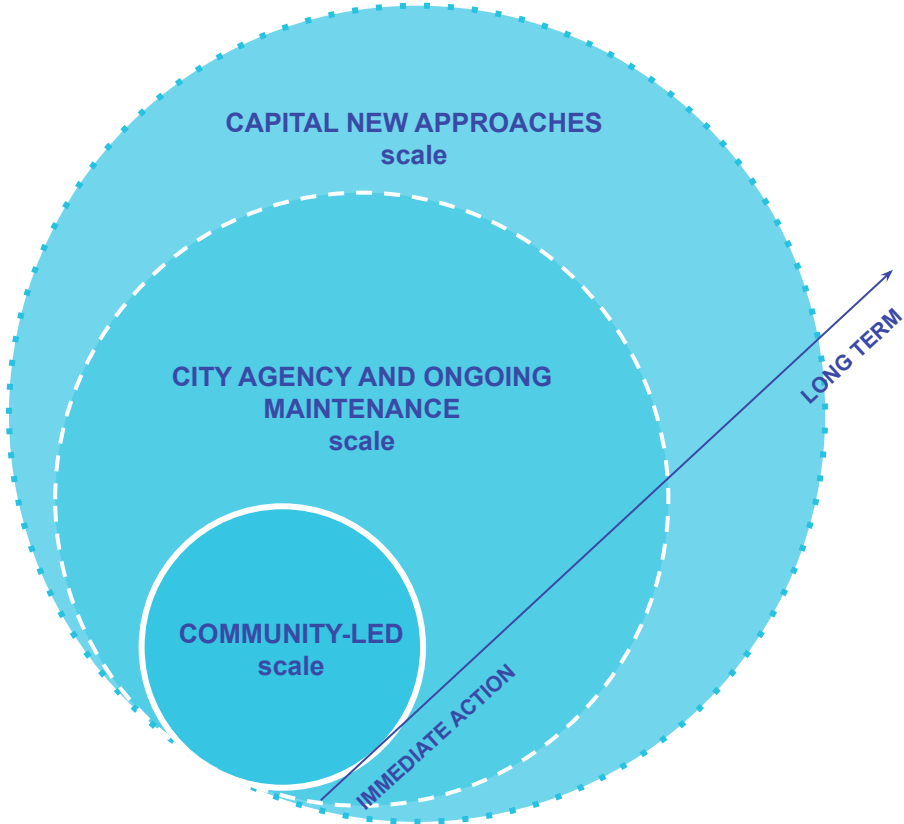
Survey Results: Physical Space Resources + Assets

- Green City Force
- Brownsville Partnership
- Safe in the City Grant
- NYCHA Connected Communities Guidebook
- Neighborhood Safety Court
- HRA Resource Access
- Youth community centers
- Green + Recreational Spaces
- MAP Program
- Artists
- Free programs for youth and adults
- Mental health programs
- Elderly services + support
- Local community organizations
- Senior Resident Watch
- Rodent Task Force Watch
- All residents
- Neon and bright lights
- Street Lab
- Urban agriculture programs
- Single Stop
- NYC Cares
- Funds + Grants
- Personal networks fostered by social media

Survey Results: Ideas to Improve Physical Space

- Safe open spaces
- Resident stewardship
- Garden
- Fines for damaging property
- More police patrol
- New playgrounds
- Community connection
- Lighting
- Dog play area
- Game and earn / train and earn programs
- Bathroom, benches and tables in BBQ/picnic area
- Healthy food options
- Safety audits
- Beautify neighborhood
- Water sprinklers
- Free raffles
- Economic activity
- Family friendly activities
- Lighting

Project Scales



CAPITAL/ NEW APPROACHES

- Renovations
- New equipment
- New initiatives (RAD)
- Laws/regulations

CITY AGENCY MAINTENANCE

- Security
- Building repair
- Scaffolding
- Cleaning
- Permitting/Policies

COMMUNITY-LED

- Programming
- Stewardship
- Outreach

What each of the scales mean



ISSUE

Abandoned bball court



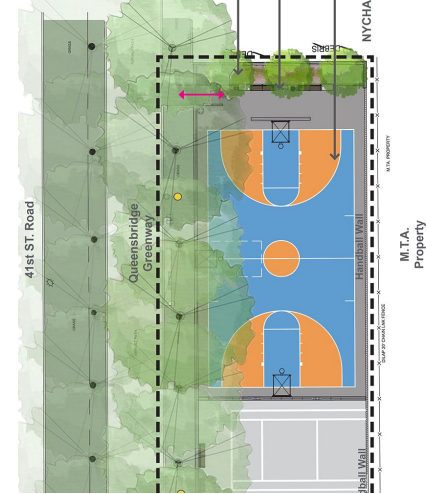
COMMUNITY LED

Bball tournament, clean up day, mural on the court



CITY AGENCY

Repair drains & cracks, re-paint court, replace the hoops, clean regularly, install some benches



CAPITAL

Complete renovation of the court with help from City Council member or new initiative

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**Next Working Group:
Monday, April 5, 4-6 PM**

- Materials from today will be posted at:
<https://map.cityofnewyork.us/>
- Materials will also be shared via email.
- Review issues and recommendations with your partners and during resident meetings. What's feasible? What's missing?
- Questions?