

# APRIL 2010 OPEN SPACE ALLIANCE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING IDEAS & VOTING RESULTS

## **REGION: McCarren Park**

Total votes registered: 149 votes

### Maintenance:

54 votes

Idea: Add a dry well and trench drainage system in McCarren Dog Run

Votes: 41 dots

Idea: Fix the always damaged pathways in the Northwest corner (Bedford and Lorimer) and Southeast corner (Driggs and North 12th) of main park. Or just higher quality pathways around park perimeter

Votes: 11 dots

Idea: No smoking in park

Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Remove random concrete blocks located around park

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Hose down playground

Votes: 0 dots

### Infrastructure:

18 votes

Idea: Build a small hill or some other permanent solution to the pond of water that always seems to be there between ball fields

Votes: 5 dots

Idea: Lights for McCarren Dog Run

Votes: 5 dots

Idea: Storm water management to alleviate ponding in park and support Plan NYC

Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Expand Farmers Market  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: More picnic tables  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Curb vehicles from cutting across field  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Parking reserved for Park Visitors  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: More benches  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Improve Walking Plan  
Votes: 0 dots

Greening:  
3 votes

Idea: Grass. Nice grass you would want to sit on.  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: A meadow between Green Dome Garden and Dog Run  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: More small hills like mounds, great for visuals and kids play  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: A small community viewing garden  
Votes: 0 dots

Playgrounds and Sportsfields:  
63 votes

Idea: Resurface the Tennis Court  
Votes: 13 dots

Idea: "No Bikes. No Dogs" sign visible from McCarren Track in Spanish, Polish, English  
Votes: 12 dots

Idea: Inside lanes 1 and 2 of McCarren Track marked “Runners” and outside lanes marked “Walkers” in Spanish, Polish, English  
Votes: 10 dots

Idea: Allow Coach Miro to return to Tennis Courts  
Votes: 6 dots

Idea: Fully book the baseball field with only baseball related sports  
Votes: 4 dots

Idea: Have permanent volleyball courts  
Votes: 4 dots

Idea: Hill for sledding for kids in wintertime  
Votes: 4 dots

Idea: Wood chips on outer baseball and softball area  
Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Artificial Field Turf for Softball/Baseball Fields  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Redesign Fences in playground for security  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Miniature golf area  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Lanes in pool  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Better basketball courts  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Lights on longer  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Better signage on the track (etiquette)  
Votes: 0 dots

Other (including Capital Projects):  
11 votes

Idea: More bathrooms open the whole time park is open  
Votes: 4 dots

Idea: BMX bikes in skate park  
Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Water Sources in the area near compost, Green Dome Garden, farmer's market and dog run  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Union De-mapping Open Planning Process  
Votes: 2 dots

Art in Parks:  
0 votes

Idea: Replace Lost Weathervane on Field House  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Legal graffiti wall for Williamsburg artists  
Votes: 0 dots

**REGION: North Williamsburg Parks**  
Total votes registered: 28 votes

Maintenance:  
7 votes

Idea: Goose Poop Initiative - Open State Park 1 Day/Week to dog owners as a dog run. Or perhaps 2 mornings/week. Geese learn quickly that dogs may be present, along with their scent. The Geese will choose another location to feed. Station a park employee to monitor dog poop pick up. This works out in Long Island where geese are a huge problem.  
Votes: 6 dots

Idea: State Park - Smooth pathways to picnic area (concrete pad) and water's edge  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Powers Street Garden - Rubble Removal  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Cooper Park - Enforce leash laws

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: North Williamsburg - More trash cans especially in high traffic areas

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: State Park - Better clean up & development

Votes: 0 dots

Infrastructure:

2 votes

Idea: State Park - Seating & Benches on the Water

Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Bushwick Inlet Soccer Field - Port-o-Potty

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Macri Park - Dog Poop Bag Dispenser with attaché trash can

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Cooper Park - Enclosure/fencing around playground

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Bushwick Inlet - Space for Public Boat House

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Bushwick Inlet - Bike Parking

Votes: 0 dots

Greening:

5 votes

Idea: State Park & Anywhere - Community Gardens

Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Cooper Park - Additional trees + shade around the playground

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Macri Park - General greening and maintenance

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: More trees please everywhere they'd fit

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Cooper Park - Reseed lawn  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Bushwick Inlet - Shade trees around soccer field  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Marcy Green - Trash cans/recycle bins, permission to plant/garden/use land, outreach with local schools to teach to keep trash picked up and teach about gardening  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: East River Park & Bushwick Inlet - Native species garden or edible garden  
Votes: 0 dots

Playgrounds and Sports Fields:  
5 votes

Idea: Cooper Park - Redesign facilities for sports - soccer, tennis, handball  
Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Bushwick Inlet - Miniature Golf  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Cooper Park - Water park/water play area designated just for smaller children (babies & toddlers) with shade  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Cooper Park - Volleyball  
Votes: 0 dots

Other (including Capital Projects):  
5 votes

Idea: Cooper Park - Redesign park oval. Allow for recreation (vs. org. sports)  
Votes: 3 dots

Idea: State Park - Longer Hours  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: DCAS & DOT Building South of Williamsburg Bridge should be a park  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Macri Park - Remove bums  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Cooper Park - No BBQ rules  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Cooper Park - "real" fence around dog run interior  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Red Shed Garden - Designate Red Shed as a park or purchase log  
Votes: 0 dots

Art in Parks:  
4 votes

Idea: Bushwick Inlet - Legal Graffiti Wall  
Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Macri Park - Public Art, Flowers/tree planting and summer music mini festival work with 3<sup>rd</sup> ward or other art organization to organize competition -  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Bushwick Inlet - Movies  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Macri Triangle - Add something to look at in Macri Triangle - right now all benches face an empty park!!! What about art?  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Macri Park - As this is a tiny park, allow students from the district or artists from the area to create a sculpture garden.  
Votes: 0 dots

### **REGION: South Williamsburg Parks**

Total votes registered: 32 votes

Maintenance:  
0 votes

Idea: Continental Army Plaza & Playground - Water fountains need to be repaired.  
Votes: 0 dots

Infrastructure:

1 vote

Idea: LaGuardia - Water Fountain

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Cap Space between Rodney & Marcy

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Peoples Park - Comfort Station

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Address unsafe traffic & access problem at park & playground on Marcy & Metropolitan

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Rodney & Marcy Park - expand picnic area.

Votes: 0 dots

Greening:

10 votes

Idea: Marcy Green - Trash cans, recycling bins, garden and use green space

Votes: 6 dots

Idea: Break up concrete on greenway for tree planting on Kent Avenue

Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Bring Community Gardens into OSA network

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: More green space on south side

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Broadway at Bedford - Make the divider space on the street into a green space to prevent cars from making illegal u-turns

Votes: 0 dots

Playgrounds & Sports Fields

1 vote

Idea: New Basketball court lines

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: LaGuardia Playground - Clean courts shade  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Rodney Park - Advertise yearly Rodney Park Basketball tournament  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Rodney Park - Repaint lines  
Votes: 0 dots

Other & Capital Projects:  
18 votes

Idea: Cover BOE and turn into park. Expand Rodney  
Votes: 8 dots

Idea: Create new park across Kent Avenue from Robert Clemente & Jacob's Ladder  
Votes: 5 dots

Idea: Wallabout Channel - Add free kayaking facility to entry  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Improve way finding and information sharing about the parks network around the neighborhood, maps and news about improvements  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Support the Green Light District LED by El Puente  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Create database for all community gardens in CB! For volunteers to access  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Develop parkland at old ConEd site  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Roberto Clemente - add bathroom/comfort station  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Open permitting to start a green market at continental army plaza  
Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Roberto Clemente - Dog Run  
Votes: 0 dots

Art in Parks:  
2 votes

Idea: People's Park - More organized events great space for music, arts chess  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: LaGuardia Playground/Rodney Park - Murals of Latino culture on side of  
BOE deck spanning the park/wider swing seats for adults  
Votes: 1 dot

**REGION: East Williamsburg Parks**  
Total votes registered: 12 votes

Infrastructure:  
no ideas

Maintenance:  
no ideas

Greening:  
no ideas

Playgrounds and Sportsfields:  
0 votes

Idea: De Hostos Playground - Basketball Court Markings  
Votes: 0 dots

Other (including Capital Projects):  
Idea: Sternberg Park - Traffic calming along Montrose Avenue Side of Sternberg  
Park. Traffic too fast on Montrose near park.  
Votes: 12 dots

Art in Parks:  
no ideas

**REGION: Greenpoint Parks**  
Total votes registered: 73 votes

## Maintenance

3 votes

Idea: McGolrick Park Pavillion needs repair

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: McGolrick monthly maintenance of dog runs including new woodchips and/or sand

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Clean up all comfort stations and improve infrastructure

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: More signage in McGolrick Park in Polish and English to stop feeding pigeons

Votes: 0 dot

## Infrastructure (Safety)

12 votes

Idea: Bike racks at Manhattan Avenue Street End Park

Votes: 4 dots

Idea: Get McGolrick Park safe for families and the police serious about moving out all the drunks and vagrants

Votes: 4 dots

Idea: More trash and recycling bins on every street corner in Greenpoint (especially along Franklin Avenue)

Votes: 3 dots

Idea: McGolrick dog run improvements including benches, lighting, water sources poop bag dispenser and trash can

Votes: 1 dot

## Greening

9 votes

Idea: Trees planted where absent or needed on public streets and in public parks & removal of old/dead trees (some sited in McGolrick Park); helps with pollution and air quality

Votes: 6 dots

Idea: More Community Gardens created in empty lots for vegetable and flower plots and sitting areas. (Second mention for especially for lot on McGuinness between Green Street and Franklin Street on Southside)

Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Greenpoint Branch Brooklyn Public Library Landscaping/Garden needs a lot of work refurbish and greening. Good for area and library goers

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: More flowers and trees in the American Playground

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: More general nature supporting planting (for birds and bees)

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Move Fig tree in Transmitter Park to safe area before demolition and construction on park begins

Votes: 0 dots

### Playgrounds and Sportfields

0 votes

Idea: Play area for children in Transmitter Park

Votes: 0 dots

### Other (including Capital Projects)

37 votes

Idea: MTA lot @ 65 Commercial Street. Force the city and the Mayor to make good on their '05 promised park.

Votes: 10 dots

Idea: Public marina established in Greenpoint waterfront for boating and kayaking. At either Transmitter Park or Manhattan Avenue Street End park.

Votes: 10 dots

Idea: Block off streets surrounding Greenpoint Park to create a public space for people to rollerskate, ride bikes, walk, play, and sit separate from traffic. Put big cement planters with trees at the intersection of Commercial and Clay and Dupont and Franklin to create public space free from cars

Votes: 4 dots

Idea: Eco-doc for Kayaking  
Votes: 3 dots

Idea: A dog run in Northwest Greenpoint either at Transmitter Park, India Street and/or Manhattan Avenue Street End Park  
Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Composting drop off set up for the community in McGolrick Park, Lentol Gardens and Transmitter Park  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Bee Hives in all parks with flowers they are inexpensive there are programs that support this (and they help bee populations and flora and fauna thrive. Honey can be sold to benefit OSA)  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Buy MTA site @ Quay Street and make into a park  
Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Footbridge to LIC from Manhattan Ave Street End Park  
Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Outlaw all idling trucks and cars parked outside parks and playgrounds (work vehicles/ice-cream trucks/vendor trucks/ private vehicles/construction vehicles etc.) AND enforce it  
Votes: 0 dots

### Art in Parks 12 votes

Idea: Public art revolving sculpture program (like the one in Dumbo) in Transmitter and Manhattan Avenue Street End parks  
Votes: 7 dots

Idea: Memorial garden for the Polish first family and cabinet members who died in 2010 in the plane crash flower garden with a small plaque in McGolrick Park  
Votes: 5 dots

Idea: Turn the building in Transmitter park into a radio museum/radio themed restaurant from art deco era with old broadcast photos etc. to honor history of WNYC, the original public radio in America  
Votes: 0 dots

**REGION: Anywhere/Other**

Total votes registered: 10 votes

Idea: Leaf, composting & yard waste in every park. No more export.

Votes: 3 dots

Idea: Permeable pavement and storm water runoff in all parks

Votes: 2 dots

Idea: More wild flowers around parks and abandoned lots and traffic triangles

Votes: 2 dots

Idea: Area-wide plan for storm water management for all parks in order to prepare for community benefit money coming to the area this year

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Water harvesting to water grass

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: A list of all improvements and activities in each park

Votes: 1 dot

Idea: Dog runs without woodchips - cement top or other sealed surface with water access for cleaning

Vote: 0 dots

Idea: Better signage for areas with rat poison

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: No smoking in parks

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Education materials about the history of parks, monuments/artwork

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: More public bathrooms

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: More bike racks

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Fencing around new trees

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: More recycle bins

Votes: 0 dots

Idea: Easier process for artists to propose & install artwork in parks.

Votes: 0 dots