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**Resolution requesting a base budget increase for Community Boards**

At the June 12, 2019 Full Board meeting of Manhattan Community Board Six, the Board adopted the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, in Fiscal Year 2019 all 59 Community Boards received a non-baselined \$42,500 increase to their Other Than Personal Services budget;

**WHEREAS**, this one-time budget increase allowed Community Boards to fund projects and services that would not require additional funding in future fiscal years;

**WHEREAS**, for example, Manhattan Community Board Six (CB6) used this additional money to fund a website redesign and a CRM prototype to better serve residents of the district;

**WHEREAS**, for at least the past four fiscal years there has been no increase in Community Boards' base budgets;

**WHEREAS**, CB6 has advocated for additional base budget funding for Community Boards in each of our District Needs Statements from Fiscal Years 2017-2020;

**WHEREAS**, additional base budget funding would allow Community Boards to hire additional staff and retain current staff, allowing for more ambitious community planning projects and constituent services;

**WHEREAS**, as board members are now term limited, retention of Community Board staff will be crucial, as the district office will become the repository for the institutional memory of each district;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Manhattan Community Board Six requests that each of the city's 59 Community Boards have their base budget increased to at least \$276,411 starting in Fiscal Year 2020.

**VOTE: 44 in Favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstention 0 Not Entitled**

Best regards,



Jesús Pérez  
District Manager

Cc: Hon. Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President  
Hon. Carlina Rivera, Council Member  
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