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## April 2021 Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6

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### Highlights

1. On March 22, Carlina held a hearing on Health + Hospitals' Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2022. H+H testified about Federal funding for COVID care, how the Test and Trace Corps and long-term COVID treatment will continue into the next fiscal year, and Correctional Health Services during COVID. Carlina also advocated to increase gun violence prevention programs, such as the Stand Up to Violence program at Jacobi Hospital in the Bronx, and ensure sufficient mental health staff throughout the hospital system.
2. In an effort to bring awareness to anti-Asian violence, and steps we can take to end it, Carlina attended a #StopAsianHate Vigil in Union Square on March 20. If you have experienced or witnessed an act of anti-Asian discrimination, please call the New York City Commission on Human Rights at 212-416-0197 to report it.
3. Carlina introduced a bill (Intro 2251) that would require CitiBike to conduct public hearings regarding potential price increases once a month, allowing users to have input in discussions surrounding fare hikes.
4. The City recently announced initiatives to improve quality of life conditions with increased Department of Sanitation litter basket service and the new City Cleanup Corps (CCC) which will hire 10,000 people through July and immediately start to beautify public spaces. For recommendations for areas that could use assistance, please reach out to our office and the Community Board so we can submit them to the CCC contact.
5. All New Yorkers are now eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. If you need assistance or know anyone who does, you can reach out to our office for more information at 212-677-1077.