



PAUL VALLONE

CANDIDATE FOR NYC COUNCIL 19th DISTRICT  
NORTHEAST QUEENS

Represents: Bayside, College Point, Auburndale, Beechhurst,  
Whitestone Bay Terrace, Robinwood; parts of Flushing,  
Douglaston, Little Neck

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RE: Paul Vallone 2009

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MESSAGE:

Thank you  
Candidate for City Council  
District 19  
Paul Vallone

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### 2009 CANDIDATE SURVEY

- 1) **What do you believe are the top priority park issues that need to be addressed in your district and citywide?**

I will immediately address the poor condition of the existing ball-fields our children play on. I am also proposing two new conservancies for Fort Totten and the soon to be converted Flushing Airport. See further explanation below.

#### Securing Adequate Funding / Maintenance for Parks

- a. **Will you work towards securing long term funding for Parks?**

Yes X No

- i. ***If so, would you consider exploring creative financial models such as Parks Improvement Districts (based on the BID model), tax increment financing (TIF), zoning benefits and public private partnerships to supplement maintenance and operating costs?***

I certainly support these policies and I will develop a stronger relationship with non-profit organizations and increase public-private partnerships throughout our parks system.

- b. **Would you support dedicating revenue earned through park concessions to parks maintenance and operations?**

Yes X No

- i. ***If so, would you also support revising the Major Concessions Rules to include all significant private uses on public property (including parks) to community/borough review?***

Yes X No

- c. **Will you support establishing the tracking of spending and staffing on a park by park basis?**

Yes X No

- d. **When a capital project is not fully funded will you support diversifying funding sources to ensure their completion? What would those sources be?**

Yes X No

Funding our parks is funding our children's future. Raising all capital projects to priority funding areas will direct critical funding to the much needed park projects. Expanding zoning-bonuses and the aforementioned partnerships will help offset any loses to capital funding sources. Expanding community involvement into the funding process will help raise concern at the local level to keep pressure on the Mayor and Council not to cut funding.

- e. **What specific actions would you take to ensure that every park in every neighborhood has properly working facilities such as ball-fields, educational facilities, restrooms, etc?**