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We're excited to announce that, with the support of a new grant from the Knight Foundation, we're gearing up to develop a new round of games for GothamGazette.com. And, we hope our readers can help us make these new games thoughtful, informative and engaging.

These games will let you — the reader — make policy. What problems would you like to take on as a virtual policy-maker? The fate of the city's garbage? The right way to balance civilliberties and security in an Emergency? Developing a balanced land use plan for a neighborhood?

This time around we're planning to add a new element to the games: We will take note of the decisions you make and encourage players to offer explanations of the solutions you've proposed.

What would you like the next Gotham Gazette game to be? Write directly to webmaster at gothamgazette dot com

If you use del.icio.us , you can tag your suggestions with "gothamgazette" and "games" and we'll find them.

Switch It On!

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City Laws Quiz

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May 12, 2003 — In an effort to close the city's $3.8 billion deficit, public officials have been playing the usual budget games - laying off workers, raising taxes, and threatening to close firehouses and zoos. Now with our interactive NYC Budget Game, you can play too. You spend the money. You make the cuts. You raise and lower the taxes.
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August 04, 2003 — With a steady stream of new revelations about scandal and political

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NYC Housing Trivia Quiz

February 17, 2003 — What is the most expensive city in the world â€“ New York, Paris, or Hong Kong? And does Mayor Michael Bloomberg really want to house homeless people on a cruise ship? And how much is a one-bedroom apartment in Greenwich Village?
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July 16, 2001 — Who is NOT running for public office this year: a 19 year old, a Seinfeld character, a salsa singer, or a State Senator? How many golf courses are there in New York City; how many pigeons? Who are the Vieques Four? Which is greater, New York City's annual budget or Harvard University's endowment? Is NYPD Blue filmed in New York City? How about Friends? Take Gotham Gazette's Summer Quiz and test your New York knowledge.
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March 21, 2001 — So, you think you know New York City? Which is the longest subway ride? Which is bigger, the Fresh Kill's garbage dump or the Great Wall of China? Test your knowledge in Gotham Gazette's interactive quiz.
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