

## Community Board Member Enters 3rd City Council District Race

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Make that three candidates in the race to succeed Christine Quinn to represent such notable Manhattan neighborhoods as Chelsea and Greenwich Village in the City Council.

Andrew Meadows, a member of Community Board 2, [told The Villager](#) ahead of an expected official announcement on Friday that he is going to run for the spot Quinn has to give up because of term limits (she also happens to be running for mayor). A 36-year-old openly gay Cuban American, Meadows worked on Quinn's re-election campaign in 2009 and has been a member of various local political clubs.

Villager reporter Lincoln Anderson writes:

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Diabetes runs on both sides of his family — his father died of the disease at age 53 — which compelled Meadows to enter the healthcare field, specializing in the disease. But he lost his job in the economic downturn a few years ago, which is how he wound up volunteering with Quinn. Now he is in estate management, overseeing a handful of real estate holdings.

Given his family background, health is an important campaign issue for him. Others include education and school safety; caring for seniors; improving public transportation; preserving and expanding affordable housing; fighting for civil rights — especially for the transgender community; and also ensuring quality, accessible healthcare.

The other candidates vying for the 3rd Council District include activist and civil rights attorney Yetta Kurland and Community Board 4 Chairman Corey Johnson.

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