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## **Unresolved Questions**

Keep NYC Free calls attention to the many issues that remain <u>unresolved</u> concerning the implementation of the congestion tax. An article in *City&State* highlights these problems including the selection of the members of the Traffic Mobility Review Board which recommends the the toll-tax scheme to the MTA's Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority. Most importantly that means who pays, how much, and when, because under the current law, no answers need be made until <u>AFTER</u> we all vote in November 2020. This remains particularly nettlesome as the toll-tax must net, by state law, \$1 billion annually. The MTA argues the board can deliberate in <u>secret</u>; <u>Keep NYC Free</u> and most others support open meetings! Might this be a good time to look at <u>alternative revenues</u>. Read more at *City&State* (article excerpt below).

## The unresolved questions on congestion pricing implementation



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In 2021, New York is expected to be the first city in the United States to implement a congestion pricing road-tolling program, but by the looks of it, the officials in charge of setting up that program are in no rush.

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MTA Chairman Pat Foye has said to expect an announcement of appointments to the panel early this year – a vague phrase that, depending on one's interpretation, could mean any time in the next five months.

Read the full article at <a href="https://www.cityandstateny.com/articles/policy/transportation/unresolved-questions-congestion-pricing-implementation.html">https://www.cityandstateny.com/articles/policy/transportation/unresolved-questions-congestion-pricing-implementation.html</a>