

Following an editorial, [*KO Congestion Pricing*](#), just two weeks ago, the Queens Courier in an editorial below, simply asks the City Council's 41 members from districts outside to” Just vote NO.”

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Kill congestion pricing in City Council

We have to agree with former Queens City Councilmember Walter McCaffrey, the lead spokesperson for Keep NYC Congestion Tax Free. McCaffrey points out - as we have in this space - that, “The congestion pricing plan offers no guarantees or fairness, there is no room on mass transit or available parking for commuters on our neighborhood streets, and no extra money in working people’s budgets for the big business boondoggle.”

The Traffic Mitigation Commission failed to deliver a reasonable and viable alternative to Mayor Bloomberg’s original flawed plan. Therefore, it is incumbent upon our elected officials, especially the 41 councilmembers who represent outer-borough districts, to vote NO on this grab for the federal “fool’s gold.”

Do not allow us to become stuck in a quagmire of bureaucracy. The City Council is in the driver’s seat now, and they must put the breaks on congestion pricing here and now. Just vote NO.