

**Brooklyn Community Board 7
(Windsor Terrace and Sunset Park)
rejects the congestion tax***

* see also *The Brooklyn Eagle, Board Pans Congestion Pricing*, (published online 03-21-2008)
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**Community Board 7 Votes Against Congestion Pricing, Cites Issues
with Residential Parking Permits**



[Photo courtesy of Anna Lewis]

GL Correspondent Anna Lewis attended last night's CB7 Meeting and filed this report:

Brooklyn Community Board 7 (Windsor Terrace and Sunset Park) **rejected Mayor Bloomberg's congestion pricing plan** at its monthly meeting Wednesday night. It **objected primarily to the Mayor's inclusion of a residential parking permit system** within the congestion pricing plan.

The New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT) developed the residential parking permit system to address community concerns about a lack of on-street parking potentially caused by congestion pricing.

CB7's objections to the Mayor's proposal reflected concerns raised at two separate community forums, held in Windsor Terrace and Sunset Park respectively. They included the effects of the plan on public space, such as decreased access to public parks and museums; questions over the boundaries of the permit zones and their impact on park-and-ride activity in neighborhoods; the exemption of New Jersey drivers from congestion pricing; and questions about permit regulation and enforcement.

Another major concern was that Brooklyn would not receive an adequate portion of the revenues raised by congestion pricing.

--Anna Lewis

[Note from Keep NYC Free: CB 7K Joins CBs 4Q, 6Q, 7Q, 8Q, 8X, 11Q, 13Q, 14K in rejecting the congestion tax]