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**QUEENS CIVIC CONGRESS FORUM
WHEN AS-OF-RIGHT IS WRONG (Part Two):
Community Facilities Siting and Zoning,
Monday, Feb. 28, 7:30 p.m.**

The Queens Civic Congress [QCC] holds a forum on Community Facilities Siting and Zoning, Monday, February 28, 7:30 p.m., announced President Sean M. Walsh. The meeting, at the Kew Gardens Community Center, Suite 202, 80-02 Kew Gardens Road, corner Union Turnpike and Queens Boulevard, will highlight the problem “when community facilities don’t facilitate communities” advised Mr. Walsh.

The Queens Civic Congress hopes to use our February 28 forum to galvanize City Hall and our community’s representatives to deal with this daunting problem, said Executive Vice President for Public Affairs Corey Bearak.

“It would be nice to hear from the communities before City Planning releases its own community facilities plan,” stated Executive Vice President and Land Use Chair Patricia Dolan., who noted the Department of City Planning’s representations that it is drafting a Community Facilities text change.

The program includes a panel of civic leaders: Queens Civic Congress leaders Little Neck Bay Civic Association President Joe DeGeorge, North Flushing Civic Association’s Tyler Cassell, Kew Gardens Civic Association President Dominick Pistone, and Rockaway Action Committee President Harold Rochelle, and, from around the City, civic leaders John Shuttleworth of the Manhattan Neighborhood Council, Concerned Residents of Bay Ridge Executive Vice President Neil Cohen and Riverdale Community Association President Laura Spalter. Vice President John Liu, whose North Flushing community is besieged by these facilities, arranged and moderates the program

As an umbrella group of 97 civic organizations, the Queens Civic Congress membership represents almost every community in the borough.