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### **QUEENS BP CANDIDATES TO DEBATE**

The six candidates for Queens borough president will face off in a debate sponsored by the Queens Civic Congress at York College on Monday May 21 at 7:00 p.m. Republican Al Stabile, Democrats Carol Gresser, Helen Marshall, Sheldon Leffler, Karen Koslowitz and Audrey Pheffer will match wits with each other in their first televised joint appearance. Moderating the debate will be Barbara Barr of the League of Women Voters, New York Chapter.

The debate panelists will be Scott Shifrel of the Daily News, Calvin Lawrence of Newsday, Jonathan Hicks of the New York Times and Queens Civic Congress vice president Paul Kerzner who is also president of the Ridgewood Property Owners Association.

Queens Public TV is videotaping the event for later broadcast.

The Queens Civic Congress is a coalition of almost 100 neighborhood based civic groups representing thousands of Queens residents living in every part of the borough. QCC executive vice president Patricia Dolan of Kew Gardens Hills who will chair the event noted, "we expect the candidates to address issues that resound across the borough ranging from aviation and education to housing, land use and parks. We are looking forward to an exciting evening of verbal and intellectual jousting."

The debate will follow a format agreed to by the participants which is similar to ones used in recent presidential and mayoral debates.

The debate is open to the public.

York College's Performing Arts Center is located at 94-45 Guy Brewer Boulevard (just south of Archer Avenue).