



# Queens Civic Congress

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## QUEENS CIVICS RALLY TO REFORM ZONING & PROTECT LANDMARKS

Queens Civic Congress invites the public to Rally in front of Queens Borough Hall (120-55 Queens Blvd., Kew Gardens) on Monday, May 12, 2008, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. as the borough-wide coalition of civic and condo, cooperative, tenant and other community organizations fights to focus City Hall and City Planning on Unfinished Business in zoning reform and landmarking, announced QCC President Corey Bearak.

“The rally seeks to call attention to those land use issues that will maintain and improve the quality of life for all Queens residents.,” stated rally coordinator Henry Euler. “Queens residents need to make sure that City Hall and City Planning hear our voices!”

Bearak explained the issues of concern to Queens civics and community members include:

- “\*contextual rezonings of those communities not yet completed in order to curb overdevelopment,
- \*new zoning designations for under-protected neighborhoods,
- \*landmarking of deserving buildings, districts and scenic areas, and
- \*making sure any placement of a community facility in our neighborhoods is appropriate and in context.“

“Queens Civic Congress continues to express concerns on the need for consistent and adequate enforcement of zoning and building codes by the Department of Buildings,” stated QCC Vice President Harbachan Singh, co-chair of the Zoning and Code Enforcement Committee.

“The positions that the Congress takes on these issues is found in its platform, Civic 2030 ([www.queensciviccongress.org/CIVIC2030.pdf](http://www.queensciviccongress.org/CIVIC2030.pdf)),” noted QCC Executive Vice President Patricia Dolan, chair of its Land Use and Planning Committee. “Elected officials and community board chairs who endorse the Congress’ positions on these issues will be invited to speak at the rally.” (Elected officials should read, sign and return the letter available at [http://queensciviccongress.org/meetings/files/2008-05-12\\_Rally\\_letter.pdf](http://queensciviccongress.org/meetings/files/2008-05-12_Rally_letter.pdf).)

“All community leaders and concerned citizens are urged to attend the rally to show support for the issues that affect our neighborhoods throughout Queens.” added Euler. For more information, please go to [www.queensciviccongress.org](http://www.queensciviccongress.org).

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