

Queens Member of the Assembly Vivian Cook, a member of the NYC Traffic Congestion Mitigation Commission told the Queens Courier her view of the options presented by the Commission's staff.



Commission to make final report

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Next week, the state's Traffic Congestion Mitigation Commission will issue its final recommendation to the city council and state legislature about an issue that has made headlines for the past nine months - congestion pricing.

Queens Assemblymember Vivian Cook, who was an appointee to the commission by Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, said she has not seen any plan come before the commission that satisfies her.

“With the economy in this country, people are taxed to death already in this country, and any way you look at it, congestion pricing is a tax on people that can least afford to pay it,” Cook said. “I think there are some other ways to do this. Maybe we can eliminate trucks parking on the street all day long or put more police officers on the street to help traffic flow.”

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