Photos from Thursday, January 10, 2008 News Conference outside Queens Borough Hall with community leaders from Queens, Brooklyn and Manhattan calling on the NY Metropolitan Chapter of the American Architects Institute to withdraw their harmful zoning text proposal. The hearing on this proposal before the City Planning Commission is February 13, 2008.



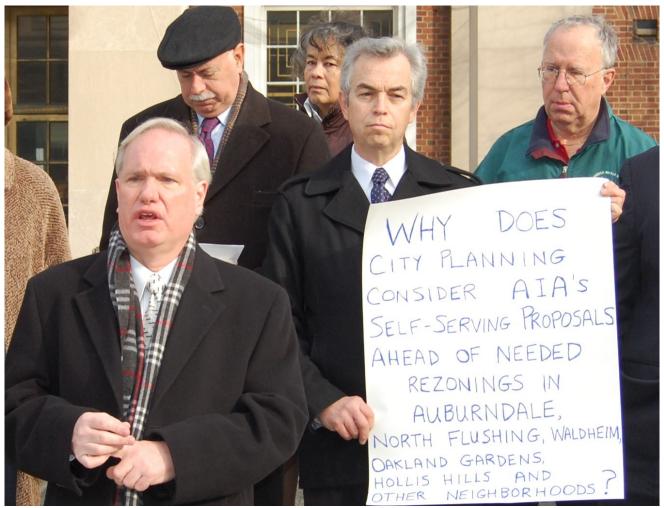
Council Member Tony Avella speaking to the news media. Left to right: Elias J. Weir (South Carnarsie Civic Association), Ed Kampermann (Juniper Park Civic Association), Mary Ann Calastro (President, South Carnarsie Civic Association), City Council Zoning and Franchises Chair Tony Avella, Jim Trent (Queens Civic Congress Treasurer, Four Borough Neighorhood Preservation Alliance, and also Creedmoor Civic Association), Sandra Atwell (President, Hollis 11423 Block Association), Henry Euler (Zoning and Enforcement Chair, Auburndale Improvement Association), Robert Harris (Queens Civic Congress *Founder* and President, West Cunningham Park Civic Association), and Corey Bearak (President, Queens Civic Congress, and also, North Bellerose Civic Association). (Photo: courtesy of Council Member Avella's office)

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Queens Civic Congress Presiden Corey Bearak calls on the AIA to withdraw their proposal. Left to right: Mr. Jordi Reyes-Montblanc (immediate past Chair, Manhattan Community Board 9), Elias J. Weir (South Carnarsie Civic Association), Ed Kampermann (Juniper Park Civic Association), Mary Ann Calastro (President, South Carnarsie Civic Association), City Council Zoning and Franchises Chair Tony Avella, Jim Trent (Queens Civic Congress Treasurer, Four Borough Neighorhood Preservation Alliance, and also Creedmoor Civic Association), Sandra Atwell (President, Hollis 11423 Block Association), Henry Euler (Zoning and Enforcement Chair, Auburndale Improvement Association), Robert Harris (Queens Civic Congress *Founder* and President, West Cunningham Park Civic Association), and Corey Bearak (President, Queens Civic Congress, and also, North Bellerose Civic Association). (Photo: courtesy of Council Member Avella's office)

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Henry Euler (Zoning and Enforcement Chair, Auburndale Improvement Association) displays sign asking, "Why does City Planning consider AIA's self-serving proposals ahead of needed re-zonings in Auburndale, North Flushing, Waldheim, Oakland Gardens, Hollis Hills and other neighborhoods?" Also picture are Councilman Avella, Jim Trent, Sandra Atwell and Bob Harris. (Photo: courtesy of Council Member Avella's office)