What Does "RecoverNYC" mean for our nabes?

I received an email last night (Thursday, June 11) from a civic leader noting a new City program that would direct Stimulus money to finance private construction. The second link below indicates the communities in Queens where the financing can be tapped. One of the very few good things about the economic slow down is a reduction in Building permits, especially where we would see tear downs of very fine one-family homes and their replacement with McMansions that these days look more like modern castles situated on a mass so small that of course no space exists for a protective moat — in otherwords, structures so large to be clearly out of place in a community no matter how aesthetically pleasing the monstrosity might look on a open field.

This new program might just open the floodgates of funding for projects that hurt neighborhoods. Looking at the map (again, that second link), it looks like only certain communities might get targeted. However, every nabe maybe ought to resume their prior vigilance as money is rather fungible and funds aimed at one place may somehow support efforts elsewhere.

Read about the program in the first link below and share your take (via email) with <u>Queens Civic Congress</u>,

The links follow but immediately below find the comments from the concerned civic leader passing on the information about this new city program:

Pardon me, but what the hell is this? The Bloomberg plan to destroy Queens?

The links:

http://www.nycedc.com/FinancingIncentives/Financing/RecoverNYCProgram/Documents/Stimulus%20Package Queens.pdf

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