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Nestor kicks off campaign for Ward 4 Councilor

A large and enthusiastic crowd greeted City Council candidate Jim Nestor at the Irish American Tuesday night as he addressed a gathering of supporters and Ward 4 residents.

Nestor said he feels the ward has been "falling behind other areas of the city" and needs an infusion of fresh ideas and change through new representation on Malden's City Council after the November general elections.

Nestor said he is running to make a difference in his community.

"It has been almost two years since the last election, and we have seen little progress in the ward while other sections of the city continue to have improvements made," he said. "There has been some talk of action within the ward, however it shouldn't take an opponent in the race to start a discussion of improvements."

Nestor discussed the downtown area and said communication among the mayor, the city councilors, and the various city departments will be integral to cleaning up and revitalizing the area. He spoke of what he called "the untapped revenue potential the downtown area could provide" to

help fund police, fire, and other city services and educational opportunities in Malden.

"As each day passes without action, the cost of any potential project to help revitalizing the downtown area increases," he said.

He also discussed the frustrations residents of Ward 4 have voiced to him over the "lack of communication" from city officials on quality of life issues in the ward. Nestor promised that if elected in November, the issues that are most important to the residents, "the things that happen outside their front doors," would be given the proper attention and that the residents would have their concerns researched and addressed. Nestor said that all residents would be ensured a place at the table to discuss their concerns and ideas to help make their neighborhoods, and Ward 4, "the great place we remember growing up in."

The crowd, including a number of local politicians, was entertained by local comedians Tony V, Artie Januario and Frank Santorelli.

For information on Jim Nestor's campaign for Ward 4 councilor, call 781-324-2672 or e-mail Nestor4Ward@aol.com.