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Hogan Announces Bid for Lowell City Council Pledges to be a fresh new voice for neighborhood issues, smarter development for city

LOWELL –Marty Hogan, a resident of Lowell's Centralville neighborhood, officially announced today that he is running for a seat on the City Council.

In announcing his candidacy, Hogan pledged to be a stronger voice for neighborhood interests and vowed to provide better representation for tens of thousands of Lowell residents whose priorities are often overlooked by city councilors.

"It's no secret that Lowell's city councilors mostly represent the Belvedere section of the city, and it's no wonder why that neighborhood receives a disproportionate share of attention," said Hogan. "That's great for the people who live there, but it leaves the majority of residents who live elsewhere without a seat at the table when important decisions are being made. I want to bring a new perspective to our City Council, one that focuses on neighborhoods like the one I live in. I will be a fresh new voice for all the people who live in Lowell and for all their important views and concerns, most especially public safety."

Hogan also believes it is important for Lowell to improve the way it addresses community development. "I want to start a new conversation about the future of our city that focuses on infrastructure improvements instead of just looking for the next deluxe project to build," he said. "I've seen first-hand the success cities like Boston have had with developing empowerment districts for their growth. I want to look at some of those models for Lowell to make a better, more intelligently-planned future for our city."

Hogan says he intends to be one of the first candidates to take out nomination papers when they are made available by the City Clerk later this week, and that he plans to wage an energetic campaign throughout the rest of the year. "I look forward to meeting lots of new faces throughout our neighborhoods and talking with them about ways we can improve our city," Hogan said. He plans to host an official campaign kickoff event later this summer.

For more information about Marty Hogan and his campaign, please visit www.martyhogan4lowell.com.

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