

Hi everyone. My name is Neal D'Alessio. I was born in Boro Park, Brooklyn, and I attended the public school system, P.S. 160, Shallow Junior High School and Brooklyn College. I earned my MBA at Pace University's downtown campus.

I would like to represent you as your next Councilman in District 4.

There are many things that the City Council is missing the point on.

First, taxes must be lowered; we must have a balanced budget. The current City Council voted themselves a pay raise recently; I think it's time that we vote ourselves a reduction.

I would suggest an independent council of citizens trained in analyzing the budget and coming up with recommendations.

There are major quality of life issues that need to be addressed. I have friends telling me they cannot sleep at night because the bars have people standing outside playing music until all hours of the morning. Union Square Park has been taken over by skateboarders. I get reports on a weekly basis that cyclists are endangering the welfare of people trying to cross the street.

The Second Avenue train construction has wreaked havoc on all the lives that it comes in contact with. The businesses on Second Avenue need and should be entitled to some relief. Yes, they will be better off after the construction, but many of them won't last that long.

Finally, small businesses and yellow cabs cannot be the pocketbook of the City. These people need to be encouraged to create jobs. The last round of payroll taxes and

fare increases are counterproductive to that end.

Being a good City Councilman doesn't take novel ideas or ground breaking thought. It takes someone who will be able to paint the picture of how great our City could be for the people who live and work here and get the rest of the Council Members to work together to that end.

I will be that person for you. Please vote Neal D'Alessio for City Council, District 4.

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