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Yoon kicks off campaign for City Council

Hoping to make history as the city's first Asian-American city councilor, Sam Yoon officially kicked off his candidacy yesterday at the Metropolitan apartment building in Chinatown with the help of supporter Mel King.

Yoon, born in South Korea and now of Dorchester, is making his first run for public office after working in Boston's nonprofit sector. Despite his neophyte status, Yoon has been a prolific fund-raiser, drawing money from the Asian community here and across the country.