

What the?

Someone needs to find out what is going on in the local body elections in Whangarei.

We have a candidate who admits he is only standing because some businessman asked him. Two members of the Northland Regional Council offered Whangarei District council jobs and salaries to two people not to stand against this candidate.

As a ratepayer I would like the reasons for these actions and the interests of these business people in the shadows to be open and available so I can judge the motives at work and whether or not these are in my interests as a voter and citizen of Whangarei.

I note the comments of candidate Warren Slater who says "big business operators want a mayoral puppet who will pull the strings in their favour". He should know as he says he was one of those people approached and offered inducements to pull out of the race.

That statement is very worrying to me. The ratepayers interests are at stake here and I want to know just who is pulling those strings and why.

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