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We have ALL been friends and attended social events together for years
We have ALL worked together on many difficult issues over the years and for the most part agreed, or agreed to disagree on any number of topics
We have ALL worked together on the quarry housing issue over the years and most of us worked closely together to get the NO vote safely home
We have ALL worked together on the BBCAG over the years and many, many other committees
With all that said, this last year, some have created a sense of complete lack of cohesion and respect for any other opinion other than their own, OR what suits their own self serving needs

I am not alone in believing that our City Council are not working together for the betterment of ALL of Brisbane and some of you are so bogged down in the shallow mud of small issues that you are completely missing the big picture of Brisbane moving forward. This dysfunctional behavior puts all of us at risk. There are huge forces at work who would come and change Brisbane into something that most of the residents probably do not want; but unless all personal interests and grudges can be put aside, we are going to be overrun by Outside interests with huge agendas and multi billion dollar budgets. This feels like obstructionist politicking at its' very worst. Nitpicking for the sake of nitpicking. And we think the current sitting Congress is bad and have closed door agendas? The interference and puppeteering is intolerable. I implore my entire City Council to wake up and get to work to serve everyone in town, not just small pockets of people who tend to yell louder than others and have their own personal agendas at the forefront of everything they do.

The latest interference and outright manipulation of the Planning Commission , which I believe to be completely unethical, serves to illustrate my point precisely. Please let us get back to thinking forward and not backwards, so that the serious "change artists" do not take our decision making out of our hands just like they did with the Northeast Ridge. Stop looking in the rear vision mirror at things that are not even going to be relevant 5 years from now; such as vehicle exhaust in downtown Brisbane ~ we have more electric vehicles, hybrids and zero emission cars now than ever before and that is only going to continue to improve. There is so much that we can do together, there is so much that can be destroyed if we do not work as a Team

Cheers

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