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Unite North Vancouver, says mayoral candidate

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Mayoral candidate George Pringle. Photo Mike Wakefield, North Shore News

A second challenger has stepped forward aiming to wrest the mayor's chain of office in the City of North Vancouver.

George Pringle, a council watcher and blogger who ran in 2011, issued a press release last week declaring his campaign.

Pringle said he is running to provide an alternative for voters who don't support the incumbent, Mayor Darrell Mussatto, nor fellow challenger Kerry Morris - "two factions led by NDP supporters who battle weekly on how to spend more of our taxpayer dollars," he said in his release. "I will be running with a party name, Amalgamate North Van right on the ballot to inform voters clearly the most important issue to me. A vote for George Pringle is a vote for a binding referendum on a detailed amalgamation plan devised by the citizens."

Outside of kickstarting the amalgamation process, Pringle said he wants to turn the city-owned Lonsdale Energy Corp. into a city department, making it more transparent and subject to freedom of information laws.

He also wants to create a "rest from development" by proposing a ban on any developments taller than six storeys.

Pringle said, as mayor, he'd reduce his salary by \$20,000, eliminate the mayor's car allowance and donate any stipends he receives for attending Metro Vancouver meetings.

British Columbians will go to the polls on Nov. 15 to elect local government representatives for four-year terms.

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