

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

Decision on an application by the Tauranga District Council to be called a City Council

The Tauranga District Council has applied to the Local Government Commission, under section 27 of the Local Government Act 2002, to be called a city council.

The Commission has considered the application and is of the view that Tauranga District meets the criteria specified in clause 7 of Schedule 3 to the Local Government Act, specifically that:

- (a) It has a population of not less than 50,000 persons; and
- (b) Is predominantly urban; and
- (c) Is a distinct entity and a major centre of activity within the region.

The Commission has therefore resolved that the application should be approved, and, pursuant to section 27(2) of the Local Government Act 2002, be referred to the Minister of Local Government for preparation of an Order in Council to give effect to that application.

The Local Government Commission

Grant Kirby (Chairman) Linda Constable (Member) Kerry Marshall (Member)

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