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To Qld Electoral Commission Moreton Bay Regional Council - Seeking City Status Email lgccsubmissions@ecq.qld.gov.au

Subject: Support for Moreton submission for City Status name change.

It was agreed at The Hills and District Chamber of Commerce's Executive meeting held on 22 January 2022 that I write and register our support towards the name change of the Council to Moreton Bay City Council. Our Chamber of Commerce is still strongly supportive of this City Status.

We see many benefits in a city status, not limited to but including:

- It sits well in the Councils Regional Economic Development Strategy (REDS), for Moreton to be further recognised as a major Economic Generator in Southeast Queensland.
- Based on Population, with Moreton being the third largest Local Government in Australia should warrant the status.
- Our region is one of the fastest growing regions in Queensland and indeed Australia, with the Olympic Games coming to our State we offer, lifestyle, proximity to CBD and major transport routes as well as both national and international airports are within a half hour drive.
- We believe this proposed name change is very important from an investment attraction perspective. We believe the inclusion of the word 'City' makes a significant difference in terms of both awareness amongst our investment attraction target markets, as well as competitiveness.
- We believe that targeted investment attraction (the right businesses in the right places) is important for our local economy. We offer opportunities in agriculture, aqua-culture, tourism, eco-tourism, education, and development.
- The Council's boost to investment activity over the past year, and the potential which the launch of the REDS, provides to the area are unlimited.
- We would be delighted to work with Council in its investment attraction activities e.g., co-hosting delegations or meeting with investors to reinforce our community's support for growing a strong economy.

Our Chamber would also like to congratulate Moreton Bay Regional Council for the significant co-operation and communication/assistance of your Economic Development Team, which is already producing beneficial partnerships with Businesses, Chambers of Commerce, and various other groups to substantiate the strength of the Moreton's Economic credentials.

Should you need any further assistance from our Chamber we would be happy to consider any requests for help in any way possible.

Regards,

Brian H. Battersby

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| Subject: | Our Chamber Submission to the Qld Local Government Change support Moreton's City Status |
| Attachments: | 2022 11 18 Moreton City Status submission to Qld Electoral Commission of support.pdf |

To Local Govt Change Commission – re Moreton Bay Regional Council seeking City Status CC Chamber Secretary CC CEO - Moreton Bay Regional Council

I am authorised by our Chamber of Commerce to lodge our submission supporting Moreton Bay Regional Council efforts to seek City Status.

Our submission is attached as a 2-page PDF Document giving details of strong support, and we urge the commission to approve the City Status change, for Moreton Bay Regional Council.

As our submission is lodged now being the 18th of November 2022, so that it is well ahead of the closure date of 5pm on Monday 28th November 2022.

If you can please confirm receipt of our submission, to ensure it is received.

Regards,

Brian Battersby OAM Cdec

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- If everyone is moving forward together,
- Then success takes care of itself (from Henry Ford)





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