

Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency

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Submission ON A PUBLICLY NOTIFIED PROPOSED POLICY STATEMENT OR PLAN

Under Clause 6 of the First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991

TO Waipa District Council

SUBMISSION ON Proposed Private Plan Change 20 – Airport Northern Precinct Extension

NAME OF SUBMITTER Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency t/a Te Waka

ADDRESS C/- Fiona Carrick

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Attention: Fiona Carrick- Chief Executive Officer

This is a submission on Proposed Private Plan Change 20 – Airport Northern Precinct Extension (PPC20)

Te Waka (the 'Submitter') could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

SUBMISSION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 20

Te Waka supports Proposed Private Plan Change 20 – Airport Northern Precinct Extension in full.

BACKGROUND

Te Waka is the regional economic agency for the Waikato region. We are a business-led and governed organisation established to drive economic growth in the region. Te Waka is all about helping the Waikato reach its full potential. Our objectives are to:

- Lift economic performance across the Waikato region.
- Attract, retain, and grow investment, talent, and business across the region.
- Champion and lead the region's collective voices for economic and business needs and opportunities.

We work in partnership with existing economic development, iwi, business, government, and community organisations to get things done and to unearth opportunities that will lead to jobs, prosperity, and sustainable economic growth for everybody, thereby improving well-being for all communities.

1.0 Reasons for Submission:

1.1 We support PPC20 because:

The Northern Precinct and Airport Business zone is a Strategic Industrial Node that provides economic benefits and job creation to the Waikato Region.

The Airport is an important regional transport hub, an economic growth driver and its influence extends beyond the Waipa District and into the wider Waikato Region.

It will provide additional business land that is plan-enabled and capable of being infrastructure ready in the short term.

It will provide additional business land that will be plan-enabled and infrastructure ready in the medium term.

We agree that the proposed rezoning will help to make the industrial land market more responsive to growth in demand over time, reducing pressure on industrial land prices and making industrial development more affordable than it would have been otherwise.

The request will expand an existing urbanised area and will enable agglomeration benefits to occur which arise by increasing economic activities to cluster together. This clustering of economic activity can help to reduce transport costs and lift the average productivity of firms (for example through sharing of labour, specialised assets, and ideas).

- 2.0 The submitter seeks that Proposed Private Plan Change 20 be approved.
- 3.0 The submitter wishes to be heard in support of their submission.
- 4.0 If others, make a similar submission the submitter will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

Signature:

Date: 28 October 2022

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