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**Request for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) (the LGOIMA)**

Thank you for your email of **13 March 2025** requesting the following information:

***I request the following information for the 2023/24 Financial Year:***

**1. Average residential rates**

Average residential rate is \$3,774

- ***The average (mean) residential costs of rates and other Council charges, where average residential costs =  $(A + B) / C$ . Please ensure that the figures used (A, B, and C) are disclosed in the response, where:***
  - ***A is the total of all rates (general and targeted) charged by the Council to residential rating units (inclusive GST);***  
A = \$73,928,000 including GST
  - ***B is the total amount of user charges or levies applicable to residential rating units (for example charges relating to metered water, infrastructure contributions, refuse collection, fire protection etc.); and***  
B = \$8,693,000 including GST (includes the Council's fixed and volumetric water rate and Water Conservation device rates)

***Please note that any information provided in response to your request may be published on the Council website, with your personal details removed.***

- ***C is the number of residential rating units (however defined by the Council) within the Council's district or city. If the Council does not have a classification for residential, please use the closest definition (such as urban).***

$$C = 21,894$$

***Please do not include Council charges that are not part of the rates demand (for example retail sales of Council rubbish bags).***

- ***If possible, the median residential rates payment (inclusive GST) by residential units.***

Median residential rate is \$3,665

***Please include all residential rates in this calculation, regardless of location, as we are aiming to compare residential rating units (i.e. non-income producing) to non-residential (commercial/rural, income-producing).***

## **2. Average non-residential rates**

Average non-residential rate is \$4,910

- ***The average non-residential costs of rates and other Council charges, where average non-residential costs =  $(X + Y) / Z$ . Please ensure that the figures used (X, Y, and Z) are disclosed in the response, where:***

- ***X is the total of all rates (general and targeted) (inclusive GST) charged by the Council to rating units except those defined as residential\*;***

X= \$17,673,000 including GST

- ***Y is the total amount of user charges or levies applicable to rating units except those defined as residential\* (for example, charges related to metered water, infrastructure contributions, refuse collection, fire protection etc); and***

Y= \$1,794,000 including GST (includes the Council's fixed and volumetric water rates and Water Conservation Device rates)

- ***Z is the number of rating units except those defined as residential\* (however defined by the Council) within the Council's district or city. If the Council does not have a classification for non-residential, please use the closest definition (such as commercial).***

$$Z = 3,966$$

***Please do not include Council charges that are not part of the rates demand (for example, retail sales of Council rubbish bags).***

- ***If possible, the median (inclusive GST) non-residential rates payment for the council.***

Median non-residential rates payment is \$2,940

Ngā mihi,



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