

***“Tāmaki Makau Rau  
Māori Governance & Economic/Social  
Priorities”***

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# Royal Commission Report

- Support the proposed ‘supercity’ – **economic and social reasons**
- Purpose today is to focus on **governance & Māori as a constitutional issue**
  - Election of 2 Councillors by voters from the Māori Roll
  - Election 1 Councillor appointed by Mana Whenua
- Provision of safeguarded seats – spirit & intent of Local Govt Act 2002

# 1,000 years of Business & Economics

- Māori governance over Tāmaki Makau Rau has 1,000 year history
- Economy of Mana established by ancestors
- Urbanisation for Māori – whānau, hapū & iwi is not new – started in 16<sup>th</sup> Century
  - a highly sophisticated people who lived in ‘a virtually urban culture’ (Shawcross 1963:7).
- So what’s the problem of 3 seats at the

## Tāmaki Makau Rau (Auckland) Urbanisation Pre-European



