ITEM 22. PARKING – DISABILITY PARKING – REUSS STREET GLEBE

TRIM RECORD NO: 2013/366302

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the southern side of Reuss Street, Glebe, between the points 15 metres and 22.8 metres west of Purves Street as "1P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area G, Disability Parking Only Other Times" (1 car space).

DECISION

BACKGROUND

A resident has requested a disability parking space in Reuss Street, Glebe. The resident has advised they are not in a wheelchair but cannot physically walk far.

COMMENTS

Reuss Street, Glebe west of Purves Street is a dead-end street with an approximate width of 5 metres. The road and footpath grades are relatively flat adjacent to this proposed space.

The kerb space is currently signposted as "1P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area G" on the southern side of the street.

Footpaths (less than 1 metre wide) are provided on both sides of the street.

The Australian Standard for on-street disability parking (AS 2890.6-2009) requires the provision of a 3.2 metre wide by 7.8 metre long bay.

A 7.8 metre long bay is proposed however with consideration for the constrained width of Reuss Street, the 3.2 metre wide bay cannot be accommodated either within the carriageway or the adjacent footpath. However as Reuss Street is a dead-end street, the requested disability space can be provided with reduced dimensions outside of the permit parking hours when traffic volumes and vehicle speeds are low and demand for parking is high.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 70 letters sent out. The City received no responses supporting the proposal and 1 response opposing the proposal.

The objection to the proposal was based on the limited amount of parking in Reuss Street for residents as many houses do not have off-street parking allocations.

It was suggested that the disability parking space be relocated to St Johns Road or Bridge Road. This was considered however it does not provide access for the resident who requested the disability space. Locating the disability parking space on St Johns Road would require the resident to walk uphill on Purves Street to access the parking on St Johns Road. This does not assist the resident with access to parking close to their home.

Bridge Road is a State Road with "No Stopping" restrictions, therefore the City is not able to provide a disability parking space on this street.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Parking – Disability Parking – Reuss Street Glebe

John Gill – Engineering Traffic Officer

