# ITEM 26. PARKING - PERMIT PARKING - ASHMORE MALCOLM AND BINNING STREETS ERSKINEVILLE

TRIM RECORD NO: 2014/360480

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of the following parking in Erskineville as "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 40":

- (A) Southern side of Ashmore Street between the points 10 metres and 82 metres (12 car spaces), 87 metres and 142 metres (nine car spaces) and 148 metres and 154 metres (one car space), east of Bridge Street;
- (B) Northern side of Ashmore Street between the points 10 metres and 24 metres (two car spaces), east of Bridge Street;
- (C) Northern side of Ashmore Street between the points 10 metres and 24 metres (two car spaces), east of Malcolm Lane;
- (D) Northern side of Ashmore Street between the points 10 metres and 24 metres (two car spaces), east of Malcolm Street;
- (E) Northern side of Ashmore Street between the points 10 metres and 24 metres (two car spaces), east of Binning Lane;
- (F) Western side of Malcolm Street between the points 10 metres and 70 metres (10 car spaces), north of Ashmore Street;
- (G) Eastern side of Malcolm Street between the points 10 metres and 188 metres (30 car spaces), north of Ashmore Street, as "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 40";
- (H) Eastern side of Malcolm Street between the points 10 metres and 28 metres (three car spaces), north of Swanson Lane;
- (I) Western side of Binning Street between the points 10 metres and 187 metres (29 car spaces), north of Ashmore Street;
- (J) Eastern side of Binning Street between the points 10 metres and 108 metres (16 car spaces), south of Elliott Avenue; and
- (K) Eastern side of Binning Street between the points 10 metres and 67 metres (nine car spaces), north of Elliott Avenue.

### **DECISION**

### **BACKGROUND**

In November 2011, the City consulted with residents in Ashmore, Malcolm and Binning Streets, Erskineville asking for support for the introduction of timed permit parking as part of the Alexandria Parking Trial.

At that time, residents in the streets did not support the timed permit parking proposal. It was noted that the City would monitor parking conditions in the streets and reconsider the permit parking proposal if there was strong support from residents in the future.

In August 2014, the City received petitions signed by residents of 18 properties in Ashmore Street, 35 properties in Malcolm Street and 43 properties requesting consideration for timed permit parking in Ashmore, Malcolm and Binning Streets, Erskineville.

### **COMMENTS**

Parking in Ashmore, Malcolm and Binning Streets, Erskineville is currently unrestricted.

On-site inspection shows there is a need to provide some timed permit parking to increase parking turnover and improve resident access to on-street parking.

The proposed changes would limit any vehicle which does not have a permit to two (2) hours of parking from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday where the signs are installed.

Residents with an Area 40 parking permit will be exempted from the two-hour time limit.

The proposed parking changes are consistent with current parking restrictions in the adjacent Bridge Street and Elliott Avenue.

A two-hour parking limit is preferred for streets in the inner residential areas as it better balances the long-stay parking needs of permit holders with the needs of all households to use parking for visitors, family, carers and tradespeople.

The City is required to enforce parking restrictions in accordance with the Road Rules 2008, which prohibit parking within 10 metres of an intersection without traffic lights. Signposting of restrictions is required where there is adjoining signposting or if there are compliance or safety issues.

Parking at intersections can obstruct driver vision and cause unsafe conditions especially for pedestrians crossing the road.

#### **CONSULTATION**

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 423 letters sent out with one response supporting the proposal (not including the original petition) and two responses opposing the proposal. In addition, there were 46 submissions from petitioners reiterating their support for the proposal.

The submissions opposing the proposal were concerned about the loss of unrestricted parking. The petitioners and submission supporting the proposal believe the parking changes would improve resident access to on-street parking.

There were also requests from the submissions for timed parking to be extended beyond the "8am-6pm Mon-Fri" period. The proposed parking times are consistent with current parking restrictions in the adjacent Bridge Street and Elliott Avenue. Extension of times can be considered as a precinct wide proposal in the future to ensure that parking issues are not transferred from one street to another.

## **FINANCIAL**

Funds are available in the current budget.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Parking – Permit Parking – Ashmore, Malcolm and Binning Streets Erskineville Clement Lim, Senior Traffic Engineer



