ITEM 30. PARKING – PERMIT PARKING – WENTWORTH STREET GLEBE

TRIM RECORD NO: 2014/106399

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on Wentworth Street Glebe, east of Cowper Street, as follows:

- (A) On the northern side between the points 19 metres and 114.4 metres (19 car spaces) as "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area G"; and
- (B) On the southern side between the points 10 metres and 65.8 metres (9 car spaces) and between 114.6 metres and 121.9 metres (2 car space) as "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area G".

DECISION

BACKGROUND

A resident of Cowper Street has requested consideration of permit parking in Wentworth Avenue.

The unrestricted parking in Wentworth Street is currently used by commuters and transient motorists for long term parking. This reduces the available kerbspace for residents.

COMMENTS

The kerb space in Wentworth Street is currently allocated as statutory "No Stopping", No Parking" over some driveways, a disability parking space and unrestricted for parking.

As part of this proposal the City is proposing to remove the disability parking space from the southern side of street. This space is not compliant with the Australian Standards and was provided for a resident living in an adjacent Housing NSW apartment block. The resident has moved and this site is currently being redeveloped.

The Glebe Parking Study conducted in October 2013 showed the disability parking space in the street is often left vacant. It is therefore appropriate to remove the disability parking space and reallocate the kerbspace for resident to park. Motorists with an RMS Mobility Parking Permit will be able to parking for an unlimited amount of time within the 2P permit parking restriction should they require parking in the street.

Pressure on parking in this street has increased since the City introduced pay parking restrictions on Wentworth Park Road. On-site inspections have shown there is a need to provide 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 and businesses with an Area G parking permit will be exempt from the 2-hour time limit.

A two-hour parking limit is preferred for streets in the inner City 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.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area in April 2014. There were 59 letters sent out and the City did not receive any responses supporting or opposing the proposal.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Parking - Permit Parking - Wentworth Street Glebe

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