ITEM 35. STREET EVENTS - 2015 SYDNEY MARDI GRAS PARADE

TRIM RECORD NO: 2015/021142

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the temporary road closures for the Sydney Mardi Gras Parade on Saturday 7 March 2015 subject to the following conditions:-

- (A) The applicant must comply with the temporary road closures conditions as stipulated in Schedule B of this agenda.
- (B) The applicant must contact the Surry Hills Police to discuss deployment of user pay police for the event.
- (C) The applicant must contact the City's Venue Management Unit to discuss the event.
- (D) The Traffic Management and Traffic Control Plans are agreed to in principal and to be finalised through the Working Group established by Premiers and Cabinet's Community Engagement and Events Division with representative from the Police, Roads and Maritime Services, Transport Management Centre, Sydney Buses, Council and Event Organisers.

DECISION

BACKGROUND

Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Ltd has applied for the temporary road closures of Oxford, Flinders, Liverpool and College Streets and short sections of adjoining streets for the 2015 Sydney Mardi Gras Parade on Saturday 7 March 2015.

COMMENTS

The Sydney Mardi Gras Parade is an annual event that requires the closure of City streets and traffic detours around the parade route.

The Parade Route and End Areas will remain the same as 2014. College and Liverpool Streets will be used as the Start Area i.e. as a form-up area for the floats and participants in the Parade.

For the 2015 Mardi Gras Event, the Reserve Seating will be located back into Flinders Street between Short and South Dowling Streets, which require rolling lane closures in this vicinity of Albion Street to allow for set-up arrangements.

The Premiers and Cabinet's Community Engagement and Events Division has established a Events Operations Working Group with representatives from the Police, Roads and Maritime Services, Transport Management Centre, Sydney Buses, Emergency Services, Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney Ferries, Railcorp, Council and Event Organisers.

Road Closures

Liverpool Street between Elizabeth and College Streets

College Street between Park and Liverpool Streets

Oxford Street between College Street and Darlinghurst Road

Flinders Street between Oxford Street and Moore Park Road

Route and Time of Event

Northern side of Oxford Street, Darlinghurst commencing at Whitlam Square, turn right at Taylor Square into the eastern side of Flinders Street until Moore Park Road and into Anzac Parade via the bus roadway in Centennial Park.

Sections of the route will be closed at various times, which depends on set-up of barricading while considering traffic and pedestrian movements. The Parade will start of 7.00pm and finish at 10.30pm approximately.

All affected roads will be reopened to traffic at 4am on Sunday 8 March 2015 (approximately). Typically, roads will be handed back earlier than this time, once post parade clean up is complete.

CONSULTATION

The Applicant will be required to notify affected residents and stakeholders as stipulated in Schedule B.

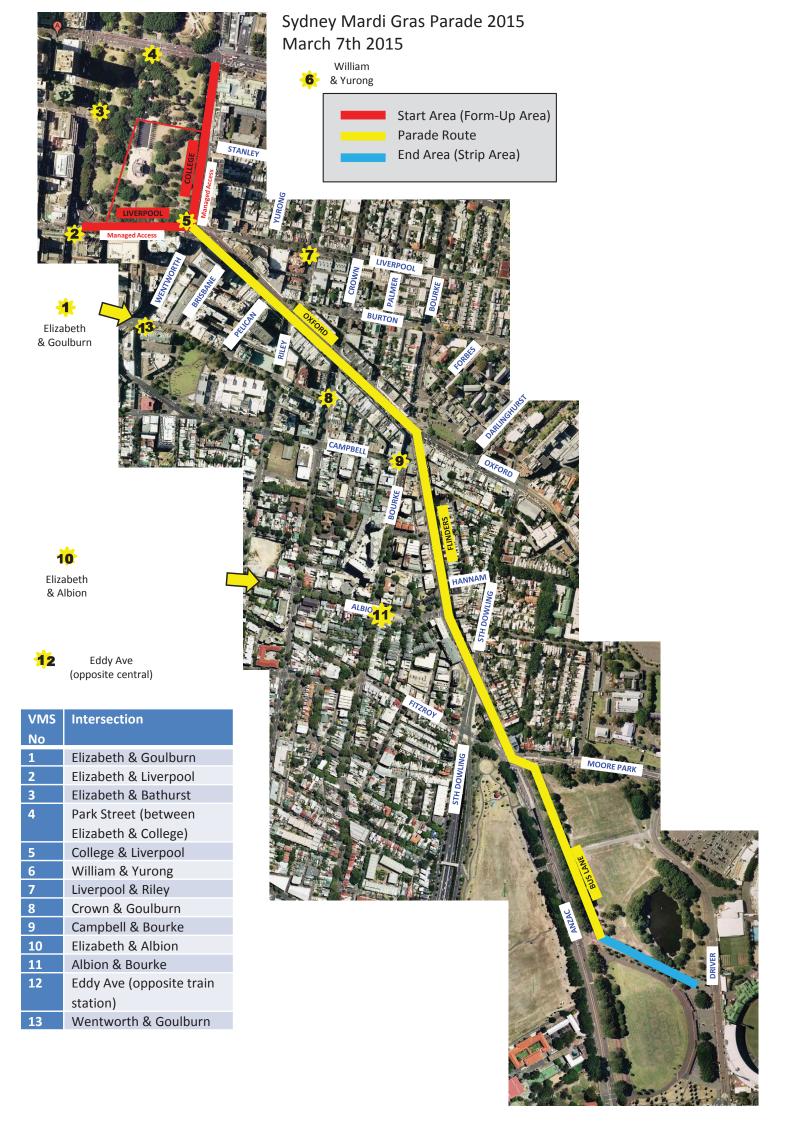
FINANCIAL

Not applicable as Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Ltd is a not-for-profit organisation which is exempt from fees as stipulated in the current Fees and Charges.

ATTACHMENTS

Street Events - 2015 Sydney Mardi Gras Parade

Joseph Gomes - Area Traffic Engineer



Mardi Gras - Saturday 7 March 2015 - Road Closures and Special Event Clearways

