ITEM 25. ITEM FOR COMMITTEE INFORMATION – TRAFFIC TREATMENT – MACQUARIE STREET FROM BRIDGE STREET TO BENT STREET

**SYDNEY** 

TRIM RECORD NO: 2015/301183

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the following:

- (A) Removal of the kerb extension on western side of Macquarie Street between 141.2 metres and 155.83 metres north of the building alignment on Bent Street;
- (B) Modify lane configuration in Macquarie Street between 141.16 metres north of the building alignment on Bent Street and Bridge Street to provide for an additional peak period left turning lane;
- (C) Reallocation of kerbside parking on western side of Macquarie Street between points 126.3 metres and 134.7 metres, north of the building alignment on Bent Street to "Loading Zone Ticket 6am-6pm Mon-Fri, 6am-1pm Sat" and "4P Ticket 6pm-12am Mon-Fri, 1pm-10pm Sat, 8am-10pm Sun and Public Holidays":
- (D) Reallocation of kerbside parking on western side of Macquarie Street between points 134.7 metres and 142.9 metres, north of the building alignment on Bent Street to "No Parking 6am-6pm Mon-Fri, 6am-1pm Sat Ambulance Vehicles Excepted" and "4P Ticket 6pm-12am Mon-Fri, 1pm-10pm Sat, 8am-10pm Sun and Public Holidays";
- (E) Reallocation of kerbside parking on western side of Macquarie Street between points 142.9 metres and 167.7 metres, north of the building alignment on Bent Street to "No Stopping 6am-10am, 3pm-8pm Mon-Fri", "Loading Zone Ticket 10am-3pm Mon-Fri, 6am-10am Sat" and "4P Ticket 8pm-12am Mon-Fri, 10am-10pm Sat, 8am-10pm Sun and Public Holidays";
- (F) Reallocation of kerbside parking on western side of Macquarie Street between points 178.5 metres and 194.0 metres, north of the building alignment on Bent Street to "No Stopping 6am-10am, 3pm-8pm Mon-Fri", "Loading Zone Ticket 10am-3pm Mon-Fri, 6am-10am Sat" and "4P Ticket 8pm-12am Mon-Fri, 10am-10pm Sat, 8am-10pm Sun and Public Holidays"; and
- (G) The Applicant (RMS) must return item (A) and (B)Error! Reference source not found. to pre-construction alignment following the commencement of passenger services of the CBD and South East Light Rail network.

## **DECISION**

The Committee carried the recommendation unanimously out-of-session on 1 October 2015.

# **BACKGROUND**

The Sydney City Centre Capacity Improvement Program (SCCCIP) is a NSW Government initiative to temporarily manage congestion within the Sydney CBD through improved road infrastructure, retaining vehicle capacity and reducing congestion in the

City during the construction of the Sydney CBD and South East Light Rail Project (CSELR).

The SCCCIP will be delivered by Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) and includes:

- Modifying and realigning traffic lanes;
- Introducing changes to kerbside uses;
- Temporarily removing kerb extensions;
- Temporarily reducing footpath widths;
- · Traffic signal modifications; and
- Modifying or removing some on-street parking.

The proposals set out as part of the SCCCIP will be reviewed six months after implementation to ensure effective operation of the changes. Following commencement of services for the CBD and South-East Light Rail, and following consultation between the City and RMS, any measures reducing pedestrian and cyclist accessibility will be reinstated by RMS at full cost.

### **COMMENTS**

The kerb space on Macquarie Street from Bridge Street to Bent Street is generally signposted as Loading Zone and 4P Ticket.

The proposed change seeks support to remove a kerb extension to extend the length of the left turn lane in Macquarie Street at the approach to Bridge Street.

## CONSULTATION

The RMS publically exhibited the Review of Environmental Factors (REF), from 24 November 2014 to 9 January 2015. Notification of the REF included a letterbox drop to 42,000 residents and businesses including about 400 letters to key stakeholders, businesses and residents located adjacent to the various individual proposals.

There were a total of 122 submissions in response to the REF. 104 submission were opposed to the proposal, nine submissions were in support of the proposal.

The submissions in support of the proposal were in favour of increased vehicle capacity in the CBD. The submissions opposed to the proposal were opposed to the reduction in pedestrian space.

## **FINANCIAL**

Implementation of all works associated with the SCCCIP including any restoration works required following the implementation of the CSELR, will be fully funded by the NSW State Government.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

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