ITEM 10. ROAD WORKS – TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES – HUNTLEY STREET ALEXANDRIA

TRIM RECORD NO: 2016/026168

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the temporary road closure for westbound traffic in Huntley Street Alexandria between Bourke Street and Burrows Road from 7am on 11 March 2016 to 5pm on 16 November 2016 subject to the following conditions:

- (A) The Applicant must comply with the temporary road closure conditions as mentioned in Schedule C of this Agenda.
- (B) The Applicant must comply with any other conditions imposed by City's Construction Regulation Unit.
- (C) The Applicant has indicated 16 November 2016 to 16 February 2017 may be required as an additional period for the road works as a contingency for inclement weather.
- (D) The Applicant must contact the Redfern Police to obtain a separate police permit and to discuss deployment of user pay police for the road
- (E) The Applicant is to obtain a Road Occupancy Licence from the Transport Management Centre prior to commencement of works.
- (F) The Applicant must provide a telephone number of the supervisor responsible for the proposed partial road closure to the most highly affected stakeholders around the Huntley Street Bridge and include contact details of the Community Information telephone number in the notification letters to be distributed to affected stakeholders.
- (G) The Applicant must contact Sydney Buses and arrange and pay for the rerouting of bus services around the temporary relocation of bus stops and any additional staff required.

DECISION

BACKGROUND

Sydney Water and the City of Sydney have formed the DG Alliance with UGL Engineering, Seymour Whyte Constructions, Parsons Brinckerhoff Pty Ltd and RPS Manidis Roberts. The Alliance is constructing a new stormwater system to significantly reduce the high hazard flooding currently experienced in the Green Square area.

The DG Alliance has applied for the temporary road closure for westbound traffic in Huntley Street Alexandria between Bourke Street and Burrows Road from 7am on 11 March 2016 to 5pm on 16 November 2016.

COMMENTS

The construction of the proposed bridge is required to reduce flooding in the area. The temporary road closure will enable construction of the Huntley Street Bridge in stages and allow for the staged relocation of existing services. One traffic lane in the eastbound direction will be kept open at all times.

The Applicant has provided a site-specific Traffic Control Plan that includes details of barricades, signs, flagmen and other traffic devices to implement the proposed partial road closure.

The temporary road closure will not affect any other properties, as local access will be provided at all times and alternative access routes are available nearby.

CONSULTATION

The Applicant will be required to notify affected stakeholders as stipulated in Schedule C.

The DG Alliance has met with Sydney Buses regarding the impact on the 348 bus route. The eastbound bus services will not be affected by the proposed closure and westbound services will be diverted along Maddox Street by Sydney Buses.

The DG Alliance has undertaken one-on-one meetings with 17 directly affected properties on Huntley and Maddox Streets and adjacent businesses on Bourke, Burrows and Euston Roads. The purpose of these meetings was to brief the owners and property managers about the proposed traffic changes, including what to expect and how impacts will be managed. Stakeholders had the opportunity to discuss their concerns with the project team.

Sixteen of the businesses were generally supportive of the proposal. Some expressed concerns about additional traffic congestion in what is an already a congested area, but those individuals provided valuable feedback about measures that could help improve local traffic flows. This included having signage installed at the intersection of Huntley Street and Bourke Road. Overall, all 16 owners/managers were accepting of the need for the work.

One business was not supportive. The owners are concerned that their customers who travel to their business by private vehicle will not be able to travel west along Huntley Street during the construction work, but instead will have to use Maddox Street. This will add extra travel time to each journey. They are also concerned about loss of trade.

In addition to the meetings with directly affected businesses, the project team letterbox dropped Community Updates about the proposal to more than 600 properties along Huntley and Maddox Streets, and parts of Euston, Bourke and Burrows Roads.

Two responses were received as a result of the letterbox drop. These were from tenants of commercial properties on Huntley Street and Bourke Road. Both were supportive and were seeking clarification about the timing of the work and parking arrangements.

FINANCIAL

All costs associated with the proposed partial closure will be borne by the Applicant.

ATTACHMENTS

Road Works - Temporary Road Closures - Huntley Street Alexandria

Bernard Jeffery, DG Alliance Interface Manager





Green Square Stormwater Drain Project

Indicative changes to traffic conditions in and around Huntley Street, Alexandria during construction











