

ITEM 49. TRAFFIC TREATMENT – ACCESS EXEMPTION TO SYDNEY TOWN HALL – YORK STREET BETWEEN MARKET AND DRUITT STREETS SYDNEY

TRIM RECORD NO: 2016/072751

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse an exception for access to Town Hall loading dock via York Street and to include '*Town Hall Access Excepted*' on sign plates as follows:

- (A) On the southeast corner of Clarence Street and Market Street sign '*No Right Turn Buses Taxis Service and QVB Car Park Vehicles and Town Hall Access Excepted*';
- (B) On the northeast corner of Clarence Street and Market Street sign '*No Entry Buses Taxis Service and QVB Car Park Vehicles and Town Hall Access Excepted*';
- (C) On the southeast corner of York Street and Market Street sign '*No Left Turn Buses Taxis Service and QVB Car Park Vehicles and Town Hall Access Excepted*'; and
- (D) On the northeast corner of York Street and Market Street sign '*All Traffic Right Buses Taxis Service and QVB Car Park Vehicles and Town Hall Access Excepted*'.

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

<i>Voting Members</i>	<i>Support</i>	<i>Object</i>
City of Sydney		
Roads and Maritime Services		
NSW Police – Sydney City LAC		
Representative for the Member for Sydney		

DECISION

BACKGROUND

The Sydney Town Hall operations for events and service vehicle access will be impacted by the full closure of George Street between Druitt Street/Park Street and Bathurst Street which is due to occur in April 2016.

Town Hall has over 300 events per year with both requirements for loading dock access and passenger pick-up/set-down. The current arrangement for guest pick-up/set-down are on George Street but this will not be possible after April 2016.

It is proposed to move coach pick-up/set-down activities to Bathurst Street and the Town Hall loading dock off Druitt Street for goods deliveries and assisted drop-offs (Disability access).

COMMENTS

The Druitt Street Loading Dock access and operations will be modified to improve operations to minimise disruption and improve safety around the driveway in Druitt Street opposite York Street.

It has been identified that access from York Street directly into the Town Hall Druitt Street driveway would have a distinct advantage for safety and reduce the impact on traffic flows on Druitt Street, westbound.

The proposal is to provide an exemption for vehicles wishing to access the Town Hall loading dock via York Street from Market Street to Druitt Street.

New sign plates will be required to be installed on exiting No Right Turn, No Entry and All Traffic with the legend *'Buses Taxis Service and QVB Car Park Vehicles and Town Hall Access Excepted'*. The sign sites are as follows:

- On the southeast and northeast corners of Clarence Street and Market Street; and
- On the southeast and northeast corners of York Street and Market Street.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is not required as the change to provide Town Hall loading dock access will impact on other road users.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget for sign change.

ATTACHMENTS

Traffic Treatment – Access Exemption To Sydney Town Hall – York Street Between Market and Druitt Streets Sydney

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Closed sections of George St



Entry/Exit Town Hall loading dock



