

**ITEM 29. PARKING – DISABILITY PARKING – PALMER STREET
DARLINGHURST**

TRIM RECORD NO: 2015/525033

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the western side of Palmer Street, Darlinghurst, between the points 26.3 metres and 42.1 metres (three car spaces), south of Barnett Lane as “Disability Parking Only 7am-3pm Mon-Fri”.

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

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

DECISION

BACKGROUND

Beehive Industries has requested an increase to the operating times of the existing disability parking space allocated to the centre on Palmer Street to improve disability access.

COMMENTS

This section of Palmer Street is restricted One-Way southbound and is seven metres wide. The road and footway grades are relatively flat adjacent to the subject space.

The subject kerb space outside Beehive Industries, on the western side of Palmer Street, is currently signposted as “No Parking 8am-2pm Mon-Fri Authorised Disabled Vehicles Excepted”.

Beehive Industries has requested an increase to the operating times of the disability parking space from 8am to 2pm to 7am to 3pm. The proposed parking change will simplify signage and improve disability access to the centre.

Under existing conditions, vehicles park on western side of the street which reduces the trafficable lane for one-way traffic to an approximate width of 4.9 metres. The remaining width is allocated for on-street parking.

Footpaths (approximately 3.7 metres wide) are provided on both sides of the street.

The Australian Standard for on-street disability parking (AS 2890.6 – 2009) requires the provision of a 3.2 metre wide by 7.8 metre long bay.

A 15.8 metre long bay is proposed and with consideration for the width of existing parking lane in Palmer Street, a 3.2 metre wide bay can be accommodated within the carriageway.

The installation of kerb ramps is not necessary as the space will predominately be used by Beehive Industries mini buses to pick-up and drop-off seniors and persons with disability to the centre.

The City has undertaken a risk assessment and will investigate ramps at this site should the proposal be endorsed.

Beehive Industries is a not for profit social enterprise supporting seniors, persons with disability and the socially disadvantaged.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 62 letters sent out with no response supporting the proposal and one responses opposing the proposal.

The submission opposing the proposal didn't see a need to change the operating hours of the disability parking zone.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

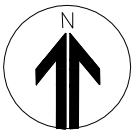
ATTACHMENTS

Parking – Disability Parking – Palmer Street Darlinghurst

Rodney King, Senior Traffic Engineer



- ▬ **Proposed "Disability Only 7am-3pm Mon-Fri"**
Existing "No Parking 8am-2pm Mon-Fri Authorised Disabled Vehicles Excepted"
- ▬ Existing "Loading Zone 8.30am – 5.30pm Mon – Fri"
- ▬ Existing "No Parking"
- ▬ Existing "No Stopping"



PROPOSAL

Palmer Street, Darlinghurst

Proposed change to disability parking operation times



