ITEM 40. OTHER AUTHORITIES – PARKING – LOADING AND TAXI ZONES – GEORGE STREET BETWEEN ARGYLE STREET AND HICKSON ROAD THE ROCKS

TRIM RECORD NO: 2016/233072

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the following reallocation of parking on the eastern side of George Street, Sydney, north of Argyle Street as:

- (A) "Taxi Zone" between the points 68.3 metres and 84.9 metres (three car spaces);
- (B) "Loading Zone 7am-6pm" and "Taxi Zone Other Times" between the points 84.9 metres and 104.7 metres (three car spaces);
- (C) "Bus Zone 7am-10pm" and "Taxi Zone Other Times" between the points 104.7 metres and 127.5 metres (four car spaces); and
- (D) The Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority (SHFA), in conjunction with TfNSW, to review the provision of parking in Argyle Street, between Harrington and Lower Fort Streets, six months after implementation.

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

Voting Members	Support	Object
Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority		
Roads and Maritime Services		
NSW Police – Sydney City LAC		
Representative for the Member for Sydney		

DECISION

BACKGROUND

Transport for NSW proposes to reallocate parking in George Street, between Argyle Street and Hickson Road, to provide full-time and part-time Taxi Zones to service the area.

COMMENTS

This section of George Street is under the control of the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority.

The kerb space on the eastern side of George Street, between Argyle Street and Hickson Road, is currently signposted as Bus Zone, Loading Zone, Taxis Zone and No Stopping.

The CBD and South East Light Rail Project requires all parking, includes Taxi Zones, on the western side of George Street, between Alfred and Bridge/Grosvenor Streets, to be removed.

On-site inspection shows there is a need to provide alternative spaces for Taxi Zone to service the area.

It has been identified that the No Stopping restriction on the eastern side of George Street, next to an existing marked pedestrian crossing, can be reduced in length and converted to Taxi Zone.

Under the RMS Technical Direction (TDT 2011/01a), the 18 metres of No Stopping on the eastern side of George Street, approaching the marked pedestrian crossing, can be reduced in length due to the footpath widening. It is proposed to reallocate the "No Stopping" restriction to "Taxi Zone".

Also, the Bus Zone on the eastern side of George Street, just south of Hickson Road, operates from 7am to 10pm. Outside of these times parking can be allocate as "Taxi Zone".

CONSULTATION

The proposal was consulted and supported by the local community, NSW Taxi Council and Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority (SHFA).

FINANCIAL

All costs associated with the parking change will be borne by Transport for NSW.

ATTACHMENTS

Other Authorities – Parking – George Street between Argyle Street and Hickson Road The Rocks

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