ITEM 18. PARKING – NO PARKING – TURTLE LANE ERSKINEVILLE

TRIM RECORD NO: 2016/224543

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on the western side of Turtle Lane between the points 65.8 metres and 84.3 metres (three car spaces) north of Victoria Street as "No Parking".

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney		
Roads and Maritime Services		
NSW Police – Newtown LAC		
Representative for the Member for Newtown		

DECISION

BACKGROUND

Residents of George Street, Erskineville who access their property's driveway via Turtle Lane have requested that the City consider removing parking in the along the western side of the northern dead end of Turtle Lane. This is to ensure unobstructed access to their property's driveway.

COMMENTS

The kerb space on the western side along the northern dead end of Turtle Lane is mainly "No Stopping" with three spaces unrestricted for parking.

Turtle Lane is approximately 4.5 metres wide and provides rear-lane property access to houses fronting George Street, Erskineville.

Under existing conditions, when a vehicle parks in Turtle Lane two-way traffic flow is reduced to a single lane. This restricts rear-lane property access for houses fronting George Street. Section 6 of the Roads Act 1993 gives adjoining land owners a right of vehicle access to the public road. Complying with this legislation sometimes results in the loss of on-street parking.

On-site inspection shows there is a need to provide a 'No Parking' restriction to maintain rear-lane property access. A 'No Parking' restriction allows drivers to stop for a maximum period of two minutes to either drop off or pick up passengers or goods. The driver must not leave the vehicle unattended.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 93 letters sent out with two responses supporting the proposal seven responses opposing the proposal.

The two responses supporting the proposal acknowledged that the parking changes will improve residents' access to their rear lane property's entrance.

The responses opposing the proposal were due to loss of on-street parking spaces.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

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Ganesh Vengadasalam, Engineering Traffic Officer

