ITEM 22. CAR SHARE – THOMAS STREET HAYMARKET

TRIM RECORD NO: 2016/228029

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the northern side of Thomas Street, Haymarket, between the points 16.3 metres and 21.3 metres (one car space) west of Quay Street as "No Parking Car Share Vehicles Excepted" subject to the following:

(A) The City will only install signage for the car share space when GoGet has a car to occupy the space.

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

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

DECISION

BACKGROUND

The City is committed to providing dedicated parking for car sharing across the Local Government Area as part of a Council-approved Car Share Policy. A submission has been received from GoGet for a car share space in Thomas Street, west of Quay Street, Haymarket.

COMMENTS

The kerb space on the northern side of Thomas Street, west of Quay Street, is currently signposted as "No Parking".

The car share space will be installed and managed in accordance with the Roads and Maritime Service's Technical Direction 2007/04 and the provisions of the Council-approved Car Share Policy.

Car sharing is popular in more than 600 cities worldwide, and research has shown substantial environmental benefits. Car sharing reduces total urban driving, reduces household vehicle holdings, and increases walking, cycling and public transport use.

On average, each car share vehicle in the City can replace up to 12 private vehicles that would otherwise compete for parking.

Current membership is approximately 29,084, of which 8,356 are business members.

As of April 2016, there were 121 GoGet car share members within a 250 metre radius of this location with 17 members in Thomas Street, 30 members in Quay Street, and six members in Ultimo Road.

Within a 250 metre radius of this location, there are currently seven spaces allocated for GoGet car share vehicles.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 369 letters sent out with no responses supporting the proposal and two responses opposing the proposal.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Car Share – Thomas Street Haymarket

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