ITEM 18. PARKING – PERMIT PARKING – MOREHEAD STREET WATERLOO

TRIM RECORD NO: 2016/477601

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the following parking changes along Morehead Street, Waterloo:

Eastern Side

- (A) Between points 36.3 metres and 69.8 metres (five car spaces) south of Phillip Street as "2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 41", currently unrestricted.
- (B) Between points 69.8 metres and 82.3 metres (two car spaces) south of Phillip Street as "2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 41", currently "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 41".
- (C) Between points 82.3 metres and 93.6 metres (two car spaces) south of Phillip Street as "2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 41", currently unrestricted.

Western Side

- (D) Between points 10 metres and 29.2 metres (three car spaces) south of Phillip Street as "2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 41", currently "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 41".
- (E) Between points 10 metres and 73.4 metres (ten car spaces) south of Clarendon Street as "2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 41", currently unrestricted.
- (F) Between points 73.4 metres and 146.6 metres (twelve car spaces) south of Clarendon Street as "2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 41", currently "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 41".

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

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

DECISION

BACKGROUND

The City has received requests from residents to consider increasing the number of timed permit parking spaces in Morehead Street, Waterloo to prevent long term parking by commuters to the area.

COMMENTS

Currently, the kerb space on both sides of Morehead Street, Waterloo between Phillip Street and Brunswick Street is either unrestricted or "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 41".

Parking occupancy surveys completed in June 2015 indicated the following parking occupancy data from 7am to 9pm on Tuesday and Saturday:

- The eastern side of Morehead Street between Phillip and Danks Streets 93% on Tuesday and 71% on Saturday.
- The western side of Morehead Street between Clarendon and Brunswick Streets 89% on Tuesday and 85% on Saturday.

An on-site inspection completed on a weekday and weekend in September 2016 showed that there were limited parking opportunities along Morehead Street south of Phillip Street especially at night and on weekends.

The above parking occupancy data and on-site inspection showed that there is a need to provide timed permit parking along Morehead Street to increase parking turnover and improve resident access to on street parking especially at nights and on weekends.

The proposed parking changes would limit any vehicle which does not have a permit to two (2) hours of parking from 8am to 10pm, seven days where the signs are installed.

Residents with an Area 41 parking permit will be exempt from the two hour time limit.

A two-hour parking limit is preferred for streets in the inner residential areas as it better balances the long-stay parking needs of permit holders with the needs of all households to use parking for visitors, family, carers and tradespeople.

The permit parking proposal introduces 17 new permit parking spaces along Morehead Street between Phillip and Brunswick Streets. Some unrestricted spaces will be retained along the street for long stay visitors to the area and residents without permits.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area on the proposal.

There were 175 letters sent out with five responses supporting the proposal and three responses opposing the proposal.

The responses supporting the proposal agreed that timed permit parking is needed to improve parking turnover and access to available on-street parking.

Two of the opposing responses objected to the proposal due to loss of unrestricted parking spaces. The other response objected to the proposal as they felt more permit parking spaces should be provided.

Following the outcome of the parking occupancy surveys and on-site inspection, the City consequently prepared a new permit parking proposal along Morehead Street which includes two additional permit parking spaces on the eastern side of Morehead Street north of Danks Street which would satisfy one of the objectors.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Parking – Permit Parking – Morehead Street Waterloo

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