ITEM 28. PARKING – DISABILITY PARKING – ANGEL STREET NEWTOWN

TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/153434

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on the western side of Angel Street, Newtown between the points 11.9 metres and 17.9 metres (one car space) south of Newman Street, as "Disability Parking Only".

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

A resident of Newman Street has requested a disability parking space in Angel Street, Newtown. The resident has advised they are not in a wheelchair but cannot physically walk far.

COMMENTS

Angel Street, Newtown is 6.1 metres wide, designated for one-way northbound traffic flow and has kerb side parking only on the western side of the street. The road and footway has a slight longitudinal grade however it would still be suitable for disability access.

Part of the kerb space on Angel Street, between Newman Street and Newman Lane, is currently unrestricted and is adjacent to a car share space and another disability parking space.

Under existing conditions, vehicles park on the western side of the street which reduces the trafficable lane for one-way traffic flow to an approximate width of four (4) metres. The remaining width is allocated for on-street parking.

Footpaths (approximately 1.5 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 six (6) metre long parking bay is proposed instead of 7.8 metres, however, given the proposed space is adjacent to an existing disability parking space and a car share space, the reduced length will still provide adequate space for access.

A 3.2 metre wide bay can be accommodated within the carriageway width and as Angel Street is designated for one-way traffic flow and has very low traffic volumes, low vehicle

speed and only provides local access then the requested disability space can be provided with reduced dimensions.

Although the resident is not wheelchair-bound, a kerb ramp is provided at the nearby intersection of Newman and Angel Streets which provides access to the space.

The City has undertaken a risk assessment for the proposed installation of the dedicated disability parking space. The assessment has been sent to the RMS for consideration.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 66 letters sent out with one response supporting the proposal and two responses opposing the proposal.

The two responses opposing the proposal suggested that the disability space should be relocated either further south in Angel Street, near Newman Lane or further north into Newman Street. However providing the disability parking space in either of the suggested locations would result in a greater loss in parking space after taking into account the road widths and the requirements for statutory clearance near intersections.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Parking – Disability Parking – Angel Street Newtown

James Nguyen, Engineering Traffic Officer



No Stopping (Existing) Unrestricted Parking(Existing)

No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted (Existing)

Disability Parking (Existing)

Disability Parking (Proposed)

Source: Nearmap - Friday 18 December 2015



PROPOSAL

PROPOSED DISABILITY PARKING

ANGEL STREET, NEWTOWN

