ITEM 29. PARKING – DISABILITY PARKING – CHAPMAN LANE SURRY HILLS

TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/265617

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on the eastern side of Chapman Lane, Surry Hills between the points 7 metres and 14.8 metres south of the dead end, as 'Disability Parking Only'.

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

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

DECISION

BACKGROUND

A resident of Prospect Street has requested a disability parking space in Chapman Lane, Surry Hills at the rear of their premise. The resident has advised they are not wheelchair bound but they cannot physically walk far.

COMMENTS

Chapman Lane, Surry Hills between Phelps Street and the dead end is designated for twoway traffic flow with an approximate width of 4.2 metres. The road and footway grades are relatively flat adjacent to this proposed space.

The kerb space is currently unrestricted for parking on the eastern side of the street.

Access from either the Prospect Street or South Dowling Street frontages of the premise in question, is not physically possible for this resident. However the premise has a lift which gives access to the rear in Chapman Lane where the resident is physically able to access 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 7.8 metre long bay is proposed however with consideration for the constrained width of Chapman Lane, the 3.2 metre bay width cannot be accommodated either within the carriageway or the adjacent footpath. As Chapman Lane is a dead-end lane 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.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 60 letters sent out with no responses supporting and one opposing the proposal due to loss of parking.

Although the resident is not wheelchair-bound and kerb ramps are not necessary, the City will investigate installing ramps at this site should the proposal be endorsed.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

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Michael Rimac, Engineering Traffic Officer

