

ITEM 47. CAR SHARE – RICHARDS LANE SURRY HILLS

TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/390876

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the western side of Richards Lane, Surry Hills between the points 10 metres and 15 metres (one car space) south of Foveaux 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 Car Next Door has a car to occupy the space.

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

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

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 Car Next Door for a car share space in Richards Lane, Surry Hills, south of Foveaux Street.

COMMENTS

The kerb space on the western side of Richards Lane south of Foveaux Street, is currently signposted as '2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 18'.

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.

Within a 250 metre radius of this location, there are currently no spaces allocated for Car Next Door car share vehicles.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 71 letters sent out with no responses supporting the proposal and one response opposing the proposal.

The responses opposing the proposal are due to the loss of parking and that the number of spaces already dedicated to car sharing in the local area is sufficient. One resident suggested Collins Street as an alternative location for the proposed bay.

However the existing car share spaces nearby have consistently high turnover usage and membership numbers in the surrounding area necessitate further capacity.

The proposed bay is close and convenient to residents in the area and relocating the space to Collins Street would have a greater impact along the frontages of residential properties.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Car Share – Richards Lane Surry Hills

Manbir Singh, Traffic Engineer



LEGEND

- "No Stopping" (Existing)
- "2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 18" (Existing)
- "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted" (Proposed)



PROPOSAL

**PROPOSED CAR SHARE SPACE
RICHARDS LANE SOUTH OF FOVEAUX STREET
SURRY HILLS**



