

**ITEM 50. TRAFFIC TREATMENT – ONE WAY TREATMENT – MURRAY
STREET WATERLOO**

TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/495570

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of the following changes in Murray Street, Waterloo:

- (A) A one-way eastbound traffic flow, between Taylor and South Dowling Streets;
- (B) Reallocation of parking on the southern side, between 6.1 metres and 50.4 metres (seven car spaces) west of South Dowling Street, as “No Stopping”;
- (C) Provision of a 2.1 metre wide footpath widening on the southern side, between the points 0 metres and 6.1 metres, west of South Dowling Street;
- (D) Provision of two 2.1 metre wide kerbside islands on the southern side, between the points 16.6 metres and 26.3 metres and between 45.7 metres and 55.4 metres west of South Dowling Street; and
- (E) Provision of two 2.1 metre wide kerbside islands on the northern side, between the points 3.8 metres and 14.8 metres and between 32.9 metres and 43.9 metres west of South Dowling Street.

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

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

DECISION

BACKGROUND

The Lachlan Precinct, bound by Bourke, Lachlan and South Dowling Streets and O’Dea Avenue, forms part of the Green Square urban renewal area. The access and circulation plan for the Precinct recommended that an eastbound traffic flow is provided along Murray Street between Taylor and South Dowling Streets.

COMMENTS

Murray Street is a 5.2 metre wide, two-way street, between Taylor and South Dowling Streets. The kerb space on the southern side of Murray Street is currently unrestricted with a “No Stopping” restriction on the northern side of the street.

The proposal for a one-way eastbound restriction on Murray Street helps improve general safety in the area and prevents short-cut traffic using Murray Street to avoid the traffic

signals at Lachlan and South Dowling Streets. This measure is part of the City's commitment to calm traffic, improve residential amenity and promote sustainable transport in the Lachlan Precinct in Waterloo.

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) approved a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) for the proposed one-way restriction on 10 August 2017.

The proposal includes the provision of kerbside islands on both sides of Murray Street, between Taylor and South Dowling Streets, and the installation of "No Stopping" yellow linemarking along the southern side of the street. This will result in the loss of seven kerbside unrestricted parking spaces. However these measures will help reduce vehicle speeds, increase safety and improve residential amenity by limiting the one-way traffic flow to a three metre wide travel lane.

A footpath widening is also provided on the southern side of Murray Street at South Dowling Street. This provides a physical restriction for drivers turning from South Dowling Street into Murray Street and reinforces the left turn only restriction.

CONSULTATION

In compliance with Section 116 of the *Roads Act 1993*, the City consulted with local residents and businesses for a period of 28 days and advertised the proposal in The Sydney Morning Herald and the Central Sydney Magazine.

In June 2017, the City consulted with 53 properties via letterbox drop requesting feedback on the proposal. A total of two submissions were received with both opposing the proposal.

The submissions noted that the changes would reduce access for drivers travelling westbound on Murray Street.

Given that the proposed one-way restriction is meant to reduce short-cut traffic on a local street and improve safety for future residents of the area, the City proposes to proceed with the proposal.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget as part of the City's Green Square budget.

Traffic Treatment – One-Way Restriction – Murray Street Waterloo

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