

## Resolution of Council

**25 June 2018**

### Item 12.4

#### Free Parking After 7pm

Moved by Councillor Forster, seconded by Councillor Chung -

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) Action 1 of the City of Sydney's recent discussion paper, 'An Open and Creative City: Planning for culture and the night time economy', provides for shops and local businesses in areas with an established retail character to extend their opening hours without a new development consent from 7am to 10pm, seven days per week;
- (ii) community feedback included strong support for shops and local businesses in established retail areas, such as Oxford Street, and mixed use areas, like Surry Hills, to be able to trade from 7am to 10pm, seven days a week, without requiring additional development consent;
- (iii) feedback resulting from a review of late night trading in Sydney also included strong support for an increase in trading hours for late-night premises across the city, particularly in Green Square, Broadway and parts of Surry Hills;
- (iv) on 13 March 2018, Inner West Council unanimously resolved to turn off parking meters at 7pm along two main streets in the Inner West local government area;
- (v) on 5 April 2018, parking meters were turned off along Norton Street, Leichhardt, and Darling Street in Rozelle and Balmain;
- (vi) the Inner West's program is to be funded through a miscellaneous 2017/2018 budget savings and not via an increase in parking permit fees or parking fees; and

- (vii) the Mayor of Inner West Council stated that councils generally had become too reliant on parking meter revenue, to the detriment of local business; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
- (i) immediately investigate the possibility of the implementation of a proposal to turn off parking meters after 7pm along City of Sydney retail and late-night high streets, including, but not limited to, Oxford Street, Darlinghurst, Harris Street, Pyrmont, Crown Street, Surry Hills, Glebe Point Road, Glebe and King Street, Newtown; and
  - (ii) report back to Councillors the result of that investigation via a CEO Update as soon as practicable.

Motion lost.

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