

Item 19.

Parking - No Parking - Mort Lane, Surry Hills

TRIM Container No.: 2025/580692

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Forum review the allocation of parking on the southern side of Mort Lane, Surry Hills between the points 34 metres and 40 metres (one car space) south of Mort Street as "No Parking".

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

A resident of Mort Street, Surry Hills has requested consideration of "No Parking" in Mort Lane to improve access to their rear-lane garage.

Comments

The kerb space on the southern side of Mort Lane, Surry Hills south of Mort Street, where the changes are proposed, is currently unrestricted for parking.

Mort Lane is approximately 4.5 metres wide and provides rear-lane property access to houses fronting Mort Street and Ridge Street.

The NSW Road Rules 2014 prohibit drivers from parking at any time across a driveway, or in any other way which blocks access to a driveway. In narrow streets like Mort Lane car parking opposite driveways obstruct or prevent vehicles from entering or exiting these driveways. Section 6 of the Roads Act 1993 gives adjoining land owners a right of vehicles access to the public road.

On-site inspection shows there is a need to provide a "No Parking" restriction to maintain rear-lane property access.

Consultation

The City consulted/notified local residents and businesses in the area. There were 67 letters sent out with one response received supporting the proposal and one response received opposing the proposal due to loss of on-street parking space.

To maintain uninterrupted access to the resident's property, it is essential that the existing parking space directly in front of the property's access be reallocated to "No Parking". The parking change would ensure safe and unrestricted access for the resident and prevent obstruction caused by parked vehicles.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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