

Item 11.5

Notices of Motion

Unpaid Timed Parking Meters in the City of Sydney Local Government Area

By Councillor Phelps

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) during discussion on the revised draft Neighbourhood Parking Policy in 2018, the Council was asked to review the “4P (8am-12midnight, Area 15 permit holders excepted)” permit parking restrictions on Greens Road and implement “2P Ticket (8am-8pm), 4P Ticket (8pm-12midnight)” permit parking restrictions, as:
 - (a) residents have continually raised concerns that the 4P restriction has reduced parking availability for residents and their visitors; and
 - (b) to increase parking opportunities in the area for residents and their visitors;
- (ii) there have been two proposals regarding the change of parking conditions in Area 15 (Paddington and Darlinghurst):
 - (a) the changing of the parking limit from 4P to “2P (8am-8pm), 4P (8pm-12midnight)” along Greens Road, Paddington (between Oxford Street and Moore Park Road); and
 - (b) the introduction of paid parking meters to aid in the enforcement of the new parking restrictions across Area 15. In particular:
 - Greens Road, Paddington (between Oxford Street and Moore Park Road);
 - Oxford Street, Paddington (between Oatley Road and Greens Road) and;
 - Goulburn Street, Darlinghurst;
- (iii) there is a strong community objection to the use of parking meters, with numerous written objections and representatives have spoken against installing such meters at committee meetings;

- (iv) numerous constituents with business and personal interest in the area have written to the Council opposing the implementation of paid parking restrictions due to:
 - (a) parking meters imposing a cost and therefore deterring customers and residential visitors from coming to the area;
 - (b) increasing financial strain on local businesses and shops; and
 - (c) creating more parking congestion in other already congested sections of Area 15 as visitors search for free parking.
 - (v) the lack of substantial community consultation regarding the planned changes, tabling a new addition (Item 47) at the December 2018 Local Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming Committee meeting on which a decision was made without the appropriate authority; and
 - (vi) previous correspondence from 2017 between the Lord Mayor and a constituent explicitly stated the City would not implement paid parking in Area 15;
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
- (i) suspend use of the new paid parking meter on Goulburn Street, Darlinghurst;
 - (ii) deem the decision made regarding Item 47, which recommended paid metered parking along Greens Road, at the 13 December 2018 Local Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming Committee meeting is invalid as the Local Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming Committee does not have the appropriate authority to determine the matter; and
 - (iii) investigate introducing unpaid timed parking meters throughout the City of Sydney Local Government Area to assist rangers with enforcing parking limits.

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