

**Item 2.****Item for Committee Information - Permit Parking - Swanson Street, Erskineville**

TRIM Container No.: 2019/186001

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on the northern side of Swanson Street, Erskineville as "2P 8am-10pm, Permit Holders Excepted Area 36" between the following points:

- (A) 33.5 metres and 75.8 metres (seven car spaces), west of Park Street;
- (B) 10 metres and 61.4 metres (nine car spaces); and
- (C) 116.4 metres and 195 metres (13 car spaces).

**Voting Members for this Item**

Voting Members	Support	Object

**Decision**

Swanson Street, between Railway Parade and Park Street, is a state road, under the control of the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS). The RMS has reviewed and approved this proposal.

**Background**

The Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) and the City have received requests from residents of Swanson Street, Erskineville to install permit parking in front of their homes to improve parking access.

Swanson Street is a classified State Road under RMS control, therefore any parking changes are approved under their authority. However the proposal to install permit parking is supported by the City on behalf of the residents.

**Comments**

The kerb space on the northern side of Swanson Street, Erskineville, between Railway Parade and Park Street, where the changes are proposed, is currently unrestricted for parking.

The introduction of permit parking in front of residential properties would increase parking turnover and improve resident access to on-street parking.

A two-hour parking limit is preferred for streets in the inner residential areas as it better balances the long-stay parking needs of permit holders with the needs of all households to use parking for visitors, family, carers and tradespeople.

The proposed parking changes would limit any vehicle that does not have an Area 36 parking permit to two hours of parking from 8am to 10pm, every day, where the signs are installed. Residents with an Area 36 parking permit will be exempt from the two-hour time limit.

**Consultation**

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 238 letters sent out with two responses supporting the proposal and one response opposing the proposal.

The submission supporting the proposal noted that the parking changes would increase parking turnover and availability. The submission objecting the proposal noted that the proposal would limit the time which visitors could park in the street to access local businesses.

Given, the proposed parking changes would increase the parking turnover and provide more frequently available parking spaces for visitors to the area.

**Financial**

RMS will arrange for the necessary signposting changes.

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