

Item 19.**Parking - Disability Parking - Gowrie Street, Newtown**

TRIM Container No.: 2019/289180

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the northern side of Gowrie Street, Newtown as follows:

- (A) Between the points 8.5 metres and 16.3 metres west of Erskineville Road, as "Disability Parking Only"; and
- (B) Between the points 16.3 metres and 25.3 metres west of Erskineville Road, as "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Bays 670 and 847".

Voting Members for this Item

| Voting Members | Support | Object |
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| City of Sydney | [Insert] | [Insert] |
| Roads and Maritime Services | [Insert] | [Insert] |
| NSW Police – Newtown PAC | [Insert] | [Insert] |
| Representative for the Member for Newtown | [Insert] | [Insert] |

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting

Background

A medical practice on Erskineville Road has requested a disability parking space in Gowrie Street, Newtown near their new location at 17 Erskineville Road. The disability space is required to assist customers with a disability.

Comments

Gowrie Street, Newtown between Erskineville Road and Railway Lane is designated for one-way traffic flow westbound with an approximate width of 8.2 metres. The road and footway grades are relatively flat adjacent to this proposed space.

The kerb space, where the changes are proposed, is currently signposted as No Stopping and Car Share.

Under existing conditions, vehicles park on the northern side of the street, reducing the trafficable lane for one-way traffic flow to an approximate width of 6.1 metres. The remaining width is allocated for on-street parking.

Footpaths (approximately 2 metres wide) are provided on both sides of the street.

The Australian Standard for on-street disability parking (AS 2890.6 – 2009) requires the provision of a 3.2 metre wide by 7.8 metre long bay.

A 7.8 metre long bay is proposed and with consideration for the width of existing parking lane in Gowrie Street, a 3.2 metre wide bay can be accommodated within the carriageway.

As the resident is wheelchair-bound, the City will investigate installing ramps at this site should the proposal be endorsed.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 112 letters sent out with no responses supporting or opposing the proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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