

Item 32.**Car Share - Thomas Street, Ultimo**

TRIM Container No.: 2019/294777

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the northern side of Thomas Street, Ultimo, between the points 78.5 metres and 88 metres (two car spaces) east of Wattle Street as 'No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Bays 557 and 884'.

Voting Members for this Item

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

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

The City is committed to providing dedicated parking for car sharing across the Local Government Area as part of a Council approved Car Share Policy. A submission has been received from Popcar for an additional car share space in Thomas Street, Ultimo, east of Wattle Street.

Comments

The kerb space on the northern side of Thomas Street, between Wattle and Jones Streets, is currently signposted as "2P Ticket 8am-7pm" and one car share space for GoGet.

Following an application by Popcar, it is proposed to extend the existing car share space to create a double pod and signpost the spaces as "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Bay 557 & 884".

The car share space will be installed and managed in accordance with the Roads and Maritime Service's Technical Direction 2018/001 and the provisions of the Council-approved Car Share Policy.

Car sharing is popular in more than 600 cities worldwide, and research has shown substantial environmental benefits. Car sharing reduces total urban driving, reduces household vehicle holdings, and increases walking, cycling and public transport use.

On average, each car share vehicle in the City can replace up to 12 private vehicles that would otherwise compete for parking.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 10 letters sent out with no responses received supporting or opposing the proposal.

Financial

All costs associated with the Car Share space installation will be borne by the Applicant.

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