

Item 23.**Parking - Bus Zone - Kimberley Grove, Rosebery**

TRIM Container No.: 2019/040436

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the northern side of Kimberley Grove, Rosebery between the points 62.1 metres and 87.5 metres (four car parking spaces) east of Rosebery Avenue, as “Bus Zone”.

Voting Members for this Item

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

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

State Transit has requested the extension of the existing Bus Zone restrictions in Kimberley Grove, Rosebery to facilitate the safe operation of higher frequency and capacity buses stopping at the existing bus stop.

Changes to bus routes were undertaken by State Transit (Transport for NSW) based on service requirements. In accordance with the NSW Road Rules, drivers must not stop within

20 metres before and 10 metres after a bus stop. The City seeks endorsement for and installs bus zone restrictions to clarify this for all road users.

In this case, the bus changes have been in operation since December 2018 and remain without signposted Bus Zone restrictions as the previous proposal was deferred pending the provision of further information.

Comments

The kerb space on the northern side of Kimberley Grove, Rosebery between Rosebery Avenue and Dalmeny Avenue, where the changes are proposed, is currently signposted as “No Stopping”.

The extension to the “Bus Zone” would allow for higher frequency and capacity bus services for residents and businesses along the bus route. Given that the proposal reduces an existing “No Stopping” restriction, there is no loss to on-street parking.

The bus stop on Kimberley Grove currently operates as the terminus for the 304 bus route. 180 passengers board a bus at this stop during the weekday peak hour. In accordance with the road rules and to minimise their impact to the area, bus drivers are instructed not to idle.

The terminus bus stop has been chosen as it is close enough for adjacent residents to access bus services while being directly adjacent to non-residential land uses and as far as possible from the nearest residents on both Rosebery Avenue and on Kimberley Grove east of Dalmeny Avenue.

Consultation

As part of the proposal, the State Transit Authority consulted with affected residents and businesses along the amended bus route. However, as the proposed changes on Kimberley Grove removes a short section of “No Stopping”, there was considered to be limited impact to on-street parking and traffic in the area.

Financial

All costs associated with the bus changes will be borne by the State Transit Authority.

BRENDAN RABBITT, STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY