

Item 40.**Car Share - Commonwealth Street, Surry Hills****TRIM Container No.:** 2018/242709**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the eastern side of Commonwealth Street, Surry Hills between the points 9.2 metres and 19.3 metres (two car spaces) south of Little Albion Street, as "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Bays 245 and 906".

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Surry Hills PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Sydney	[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 Car Next Door for a car share space in Commonwealth Street, south of Little Albion Street.

Comments

The kerb space on the eastern side of Commonwealth Street, Surry Hills, south of Little Albion Street, where the parking change is proposed, is currently signposted as "2P Ticket 8am-10pm Mon-Sat Permit Holders Excepted Area 18".

Following the application by Car Next Door, 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, Bays 245 and 906".

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 83 letters sent out with no responses supporting the proposal and one response opposing the proposal due to loss of parking.

Financial

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

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