

**Item 23.****Parking - Timed and Permit Parking - Walker Street, Waterloo**

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**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation and reallocation of parking on Walker Street, Waterloo between Phillip Street and Wellington Street as "2P 8am-6pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 41" in the following locations;

- (A) On the eastern side, between the points 14.6 metres and 26.6 metres (two car spaces), south of Phillip Street;
- (B) On the eastern side, between the points 10 metres and 160 metres (25 car spaces) south of Clarendon Street;
- (C) On the eastern side, between the points 10 metres and 18.7 metres (two car spaces) south of Brunswick Street;
- (D) On the western side, between the points 10 metres and 160 metres (25 car spaces), south of Clarendon Street; and
- (E) On the western side, between the points 10 metres and 25 metres (three car spaces), south of Brunswick Street.

**Voting Members for this Item**

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Object</b>
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[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

Residents of Walker Street, Waterloo has requested consideration of extension to timed parking restrictions in the street to improve access and turnover of parking.,

## Comments

The kerb space in Walker Street, between Phillip Street and Wellington Street, where the changes are proposed, is a combination of "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 41" and unrestricted for parking, with small sections of motorbike and disability parking.

The City received a petition with 66 signatures from the residents of Walker Street requesting consideration of an extension to the timed parking restrictions to cover weekends on the western side of the street and to install more timed parking on the unrestricted eastern side of the street.

As a result, the City reviewed the parking restrictions in Walker Street, and found that there is a need to provide additional timed parking to increase parking turnover and improve access for the area. The City also found that the existing Monday to Friday timed parking restrictions s to be extended to seven days a week to improve access to parking space on weekends.

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

## Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 161 letters sent out with 11 responses supporting the proposal and 5 responses opposing the proposal.

The responses supporting the proposal noted that timed parking would increase turnover and prevent all day parking on the street. The responses opposing the proposal noted that residents without a permit would not be able to park their vehicles all day on the street.

One response opposing the proposal but signed the petition requested that eastern side of Walker Street remained as unrestricted for parking to allow visitors to park their vehicles all day on the street. However, by increasing turnover, two-hour restrictions increases the likelihood of available parking spaces for visitors while discouraging non-residents parking all day. As such, the two-hour permit holders excepted restriction is considered to provide a better balance the parking needs of the community.

**Financial**

Funds are available in the current budget.

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