

Item 13.1**Notices of Motion****Free Parking on Weekends to Support Reactivation in the City**

By Councillor Chung

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the past year has been a challenging time for businesses in the City of Sydney and as the City is starting to reopen, many are trying to remain afloat;
- (ii) the NSW Government is rolling out the 'Dine and Discover' program to encourage the community to get out and about and support dining, arts and tourism businesses;
- (iii) local business chambers have been working hard to create events and incentives to encourage visitors back to the City;
- (iv) the City of Sydney changed its planning controls to allow trading past 10pm in late night trading areas to encourage a diverse range of shops and businesses to stay open longer; and
- (v) businesses have reported that the City remains quiet on weekends despite these incentives; and

- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to turn off parking meters on weekends along City of Sydney retail and high streets to support small businesses as they participate in these events and programs to welcome people back to the City.

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