

Item 24.**Traffic Treatment - Speed Cushions - Walker Street, Redfern**

TRIM Container No.: 2021/225768

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of speed cushions in Walker Street, Redfern at a point 10 metres south of James Street.

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – South Sydney PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Newtown	[Insert]	[Insert]

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

The City received a petition signed by 31 residents seeking support for traffic calming measures in Walker Street, Redfern. The petition raised concerns about vehicles speeding in Walker Street.

Comments

Traffic Calming

Walker Street, Redfern runs north-south, parallel to Elizabeth Street, and links Cleveland Street to Wellington Street, with cross links to Redfern, Cooper and Phillip Streets.

Residents are concerned that drivers are using the road as a short-cut route to avoid congestion on nearby streets. Concerns were also raised about the speed of drivers on approach to the traffic lights at Cleveland Street.

Given the initial support from residents, the City developed a proposal for traffic calming in Walker Street. Traffic calming devices, such as speed cushions, would help to reduce the speed of traffic and improve safety on Walker Street.

Therefore, it is proposed to install two speed cushions in Walker Street, south of James Street. The proposal would help to improve general safety in the area by reducing the speed of traffic travelling along Walker Street as part of the City's commitment to calm traffic and improve residential amenity.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 86 letters sent out with three responses supporting the proposal and no responses opposing the proposal.

Submissions supporting the proposal noted that the changes would calm traffic, increase safety, and improve residential amenity.

Financial

Appropriate funding for the proposal will be secured once greater certainty on the construction timeline is reached.

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