

**Item 13.5****Notices of Motion****Traffic Calming in Rainford Street, Surry Hills**

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
- (i) residents have reported that since the construction of the Eastern Suburbs and CBD Light Rail, traffic volumes within Surry Hills have changed, with residents reporting increased use of “rat-runs” in laneways;
  - (ii) residents report that in particular, one-way streets in Surry Hills, such as Rainford Street, are now being heavily used as a short cut to avoid traffic lights;
  - (iii) increased volumes of traffic on narrow one-way streets such as Rainford Street pose safety concerns to pedestrians and local residents;
  - (iv) a petition of 41 Rainford Street residents, from approximately 83 per cent of the households, requesting traffic calming measures be investigated for Rainford Street was tabled before Council;
  - (v) City staff will arrange for traffic counts in early 2022 once traffic patterns return to normal;
  - (vi) the City rejected Transport for NSW’s proposal to ban Right Turns into Bourke Street for eastbound vehicles on Cleveland Street resulting in potential increased traffic in Rainford Street; and
  - (vii) the City is currently investigating a Continuous Footpath Treatment (CFT) at various intersections (including Rainford Street) along Crown Street as part of streetscape improvement projects for Crown Street; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate traffic calming measures for Rainford Street and report back to Councillors via the CEO Update.

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