

Item 20.**Parking - Disability Parking and 2P Permit Parking - Kepos Street, Redfern**

TRIM Container No.: 2021/337887

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the western side of Kepos Street, Redfern.

- (A) Between the points 20 metres and 27.8 metres south of Telopea Street as "Disability Parking Only" and,
- (B) Between the points 31 metres and 38.8 metres south of Telopea Street as "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri, Permit Holders Excepted Area 41".

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

A resident of Kepos Street, Redfern has requested a disability parking space in their street. The resident has advised they are not in a wheelchair but cannot physically walk far.

Comments

The kerb space, where the changes are proposed, is currently signposted as timed permit parking "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 41" and "No Parking 9am-6pm Mon-Fri Council Vehicles Excepted" on the western side of the street.

Under existing conditions, vehicles park on both sides of the street which reduces the trafficable lane for two-way traffic flow to an approximate width of 8.8 metres. The remaining width is allocated for on-street parking.

Footpaths (approximately 3 metres wide) are provided on both sides of the street.

The Australian Standard for on-street disability parking (AS 2890.5 – 2020) requires spaces to be 7.8 metres long and 3.2 metres wide.

A 7.8 metre long bay is proposed and with consideration for the width of existing parking lane in Kepos Street, a 3.2 metre wide bay can not be accommodated within the carriageway. However, as Kepos Street has very low traffic volumes, low vehicle speed and only provides local access then the requested disability space can be provided with reduced dimensions.

The City's Inclusive and Accessible Public Domain Guidelines notes that not every designated on street mobility parking space provided for residential use needs to comply with the requirements of the Australian Standard.

Due to the thick garden bed and tree roots near the property in question, the proposed disability space was relocated to a location further north that ensures better access to the footpath from the car space. This will result in a swap with one permit parking space replacing the location closer to the property in question so no overall permit spaces are lost as part of this proposal.

Although the resident is not wheelchair-bound and kerb ramps are not necessary, the City will investigate installing ramps at this site should the proposal be endorsed.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 119 letters sent out with no responses supporting or opposing the proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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