

Item 26.**Parking - Disability Parking - Ralph Street, Alexandria**

TRIM Container No.: 2022/241112

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on the eastern side of Ralph Street, Alexandria between the points 64.1 metres and 71.9 metres north of Gillespie Avenue as "Disability Parking Only".

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 Heffron	[Insert]	[Insert]

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting

Background

A resident of Ralph Street, Alexandria 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

Ralph Street, Alexandria east of Gillespie Avenue is designated for two-way traffic flow with an approximate width of 12.8 metres. The road and footway grades are relatively flat adjacent to this proposed space

The kerb space, where the changes are proposed, is currently unrestricted for parking on the eastern 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 8.6 metres. The remaining width is allocated for on-street parking.

Footpaths (approximately 3.7 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 Ralph Street, a 3.2 metre wide bay can be accommodated within the carriageway.

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.

The City has confirmed that no off-street parking is available for this particular resident.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 197 letters sent out with no responses supporting or opposing the proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

TERRY XU, ENGINEERING TRAFFIC OFFICER