

Item 22.**Parking - Mobility Parking - Gibbes Street, Newtown**

TRIM Container No.: 2022/296026

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the northern side of Gibbes Street, Newtown between the points 66.3 metres and 74.1 metres east of Whitehorse Street as "Mobility Parking Only".

Voting Members for this Item

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

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting

Background

A resident of Gibbes Street, Newtown has requested a mobility parking space in the street. The resident has advised they are not in a wheelchair but cannot physically walk far.

Comments

Gibbes Street, Newtown, between Whitehorse Street and Gibbes Lane, 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 signposted as “2P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 36” on the northern side of the street. The adjacent kerb space has angle parking allocated along it.

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 mobility 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 Gibbes 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.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 83 letters sent out with no responses supporting the proposal or opposing the proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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