

Item 16.**Parking - 4P Mobility Parking - Cathedral Street, Sydney**

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the northern side of Cathedral Street, Sydney between the points 18 metres and 33.6 metres east of the Access Road to the off-street car park as "4P Mobility Parking Only 6am-10pm".

Voting Members for this Item

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

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting

Background

The City's Inclusion (Disability) Action Plan 2021-2025 (IDAP) includes a series of actions to actively address barriers faced by people with disability.

One of the IDAP actions is to *“continue to explore and implement strategies to increase access to on-street and off-street accessible parking and drop off points in the City of Sydney area”*.

In response to feedback from the community about difficulties for Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) permit holders to access parking close to nearby recreational facilities such as the Cook and Phillip Park Pool and St Mary's Cathedral it is proposed to change the existing all day Mobility Parking restrictions in Cathedral Street to 4P Mobility Parking Only between 6am and 10pm seven days a week to increase parking turnover and improve on-street parking access for MPS permit holders visiting the area.

Comments

Cathedral Street, Sydney between St Mary's Road and the Access Road to the off-street carpark is designated for two way traffic with an approximate width of 10.8 metres.

The kerb space, where the changes are proposed, is currently "Mobility Parking Only" (two parking spaces) and Ticket parking.

Footpaths (approximately 3 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.

The length of the existing two mobility parking spaces is 11 metres which is less than the standard length as per AS 2890.5 - 2020. As such, it is proposed to extend the length of the mobility parking spaces to the standard length of 15.6 metres to make them accessible for Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) permit holders.

To increase parking turnover and improve on-street parking access for Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) permit holders visiting the area, it is proposed to change the all day "Mobility Parking Only" restrictions to "4P Mobility Parking Only 6am-10pm" seven days a week. There is an existing kerb ramp located along the "Mobility Parking Only" spaces to assist MPS permit holders who are wheelchair users.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 17 letters sent out with no responses received either supporting or opposing the proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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