

Item 20.**Parking - Mobility Parking - David Street, Forest Lodge**

TRIM Container No.: 2024/363696

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the southern side of David Street, Forest Lodge between the points 36.2 metres and 44 metres east of Junction 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 –Leichhardt PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Balmain	[Insert]	[Insert]

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting

Background

A resident of David Street, Forest Lodge has requested a mobility parking space in David Street. The resident has advised that a family member of their household has a Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) Permit and that they are a wheelchair user.

Given that there are steps leading from the street to resident's property, the resident has advised that they do not require a wheelchair kerb ramp and would transfer their family member to/from the wheelchair to the car.

Comments

David Street, Forest Lodge between Junction Street and David Lane is designated for one-way westbound traffic flow with an approximate width of 6.1 metres.

The kerb space on the northern side of David Street in front of the resident's property is "No Stopping". As such the mobility parking space is proposed opposite the resident's property on the southern side of David Street. The kerb space on the southern side of David Street, where the changes are proposed, is currently signposted as "1P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area G"

Under existing conditions, vehicles park on the southern side of the street which reduces the trafficable lane for one-way traffic flow to an approximate width of 3.9 metres. Most part of the road is restricted to No Parking, No Stopping and a short section of permit parking.

Footpaths (approximately 1.2 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, as well as gradient of the road and the availability of alternative on-street parking spaces in David Street, Forest Lodge, a 3.2-metre-wide bay can be accommodated within the carriageway.

Whilst the resident's family member is a wheelchair user, they have not requested for kerb ramps as there are steps leading from the street to their property. The resident has advised that they would transfer their family member to/from the wheelchair and car. As such, a wheelchair ramp is not proposed at the mobility parking space. If the resident requests for a kerb ramp in the future, the City will investigate installing ramps at this site.

Consultation

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

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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