Item 22.

Parking - No Parking St Vincent's Hospital (NEPT) Patient Transport Vehicles Excepted and No Parking Authorised Fire and Rescue NSW Vehicles Excepted - Leichhardt Street and Barcom Avenue, Darlinghurst

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the following reallocation of parking:

- (A) On the western side of Leichhardt Street, Darlinghurst between the points 11 metres and 28 metres (three car spaces) south of Barcom Avenue as "No Parking St Vincent's Hospital (NEPT) Patient Transport Vehicles Excepted"; and
- (B) On the northern side of Barcom Avenue, Darlinghurst between the points 0 metres and 7.5 metres (one car space), 47 metres and 58 metres (two car spaces) and 63 metres and 73 metres (two car spaces) west of Ice Street as "No Parking St Vincent's Hospital (NEPT) Patient Transport Vehicles Excepted"; and
- (C) On the northern side of Barcom Avenue, Darlinghurst between the points 12 metres and 29 metres (three car spaces) west of Ice Street as "No Parking Authorised Fire and Rescue NSW Vehicles Excepted".

Voting Members for this Item

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

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

Sy Vincent's Hospital have requested consideration to reallocate parking in Leichhardt Street and Barcom Avenue to accommodate the hospital's authorised Non-Emergency Patient Transport (NEPT) vehicles and authorised Fire and Rescue NSW vehicles.

Comments

The kerb space on the western side of Leichhardt Street, Darlinghurst between Barcom Avenue and Lacrozia Lane, where the changes are proposed, is currently signposted as "No Parking 8.30am-6pm Mon-Fri".

It is proposed to reallocate the part-time "No Parking" restrictions in Leichhardt Street to "No Parking St Vincent's Hospital (NEPT) Patient Transport Vehicles Excepted".

The kerb space on the northern side of Barcom Avenue between Ice and Boundary Streets where the changes are proposed, is currently signposted as "No Stopping". This section of Barcom Avenue is a one-way eastbound street with access restricted to only authorised St Vincent's Hospital vehicles only.

Given that access to Barcom Avenue is permitted to authorised hospital vehicles only, an on-site inspection showed that the "No Stopping" restrictions may not be required to deter non-hospital vehicles from parking in the area. As such the kerb space can be reallocated to "No Parking St Vincent's Hospital (NEPT) Patient Transport Vehicles Excepted".

The proposed changes will assist efficient deployment of St. Vincent's Hospital's disaster response vehicles, medical equipment and staff in the event of major incidents in the Greater Sydney area.

The on-site inspections also indicated that a section of the "No Stopping" restrictions along Barcom Avenue between Ice and Boundary Streets can be reallocated to "No Parking Authorised Fire and Rescue NSW Vehicles Excepted". This would allow Fire and Rescue NSW vehicles to park in the designated area during emergency operations.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 40 letters sent out with one response supporting the proposal and no responses opposing the proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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