

Dele 10 Authorities - Transport NSW - No Stopping Taxis Excepted 1 Minute - Various CBD Locations

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking to "No Stopping Taxis Excepted 1 Minute" at the following locations in Sydney:

- (A) Western side of Macquarie Street, north of Cahill overpass (one space outside 61 Macquarie Street);
- (B) Northern side of Bent Street between O'Connell and Bligh Street (one space outside 2 Bent Street);
- (C) Eastern side of Pitt Street, south of Bridge Street (one space outside 56 Pitt Street);
and
- (D) Western side of Elizabeth Street, north of Martin Place (one space outside 23 Elizabeth Street)

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

NSW Transport Minister the Hon Jo Haylen MP, announced the NSW Government was acting on calls for a review into taxi ranks in Sydney CBD. This follows concerns raised by industry bodies about inaccessible drop-off and pick-up zones in busy city locations, causing potential safety and economic impacts.

Transport for NSW has been tasked with leading this work, coordinating with the City of Sydney, which is responsible for many of these taxi zones, the Point-to-Point Transport Commissioner and industry stakeholders, to find solutions which ensure the best outcomes for drivers and passengers. The NSW Taxi Council and Business Sydney recently identified what they consider to be the 10 most challenging areas in the CBD for taxis.

Comments

TfNSW has identified the following sites as suitable for either extending existing zones or establishing new "No Stopping Taxicabs Excepted 1 Minute" zones:

- 61 Macquarie Street - Currently there is one existing space with enough available kerbside area for an additional space.
- 2 Bent Street - Currently this is full time No Stopping. This will be installed on the departure side of the existing P5 parking space. It will provide taxis with a location for quick drop off passengers.
- 56 Pitt Street - Currently this is full time No Stopping. It is located on the departure side of the traffic signals and will not impact on the pedestrian crossing or traffic signal operation. Observations have shown it is already used by taxis for drop off so is a good location.
- 23 Elizabeth Street - Currently this is full time No Stopping. It is on the departure side of Martin Place traffic signals and will not impact on the pedestrian crossing or traffic signal operation.

Consultation

As all locations are existing "No Stopping" zones, there will be no parking removed therefore there is no requirement for consultation.

Financial

Transport for NSW will assume full responsibility for the costs and work involved in implementing the parking change.

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