

**Car Share - Francis Street, Darlinghurst**

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**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the extension to the existing car share space on the northern side of Francis Street, Darlinghurst between the points 12 and 17 metres (one car space) east of College Street as "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted" subject to the following:

- (A) The City will only install signage for the car share space when Car Next Door has a car to occupy the space.

**Voting Members for this Item**

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Object</b>
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Roads and Maritime Services	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Sydney City PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]

**Decision**

[Insert]

**Background**

The City is committed to providing dedicated parking for car sharing across the Local Government Area as part of a Council approved Car Share Policy. A submission has been received from Car Next Door for a car share space in Francis Street, Darlinghurst east of College Street.

## **Comments**

The kerb space on the northern side of Francis Street, between College Street and College Lane, is currently signposted as "2P Ticket 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 21". The proposal will extend an existing car share bay to form a double pod.

The car share space will be installed and managed in accordance with the Roads and Maritime Service's Technical Direction 2007/04 and the provisions of the Council-approved Car Share Policy.

Car sharing is popular in more than 600 cities worldwide, and research has shown substantial environmental benefits. Car sharing reduces total urban driving, reduces household vehicle holdings, and increases walking, cycling and public transport use.

On average, each car share vehicle in the City can replace up to 12 private vehicles that would otherwise compete for parking.

Within a 250 metre radius of this location, there are currently no spaces allocated for Car Next Door car share vehicles.

## **Consultation**

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 445 letters sent out with one response supporting the proposal and 12 responses opposing the proposal.

The opposing submissions raised concerns about the loss of on-street parking spaces in Francis Street.

## **Financial**

Funds are available in the current budget.

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