

Item 30.**Parking - Electric Vehicle (EV) Parking - Ross Street, Glebe**

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee review the reallocation of parking on the eastern side of Ross Street, Glebe between the points 6.5 metres and 18.5 metres (two car spaces) north of Hereford Street as "4P 8am-8pm Electric Vehicles Only While Charging" and "No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted While Charging All Other Times".

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

Council at its meeting on 26 June 2023, resolved to adopt the Electrification of Transport in the City Strategy and Action Plan. The strategy outlines key actions to support this transition, including, advocacy, and actions within the City's control.

Action 20 of the Strategy outlines that the City will work with private sector providers to trial paid on-street electric vehicle charging in residential areas with constrained private charging opportunities. This should be cost neutral to the City and avoid negative impacts on the public domain and residential amenity.

In collaboration with Ausgrid and EVX who are the charging point operator, the City is proposing to install dedicated on-street parking for charging of electric vehicle using Ausgrid infrastructure

Comments

Parking along the kerb space on the eastern side of Ross Street, Glebe between Hereford Street and Wigram Lane, where the parking changes are proposed is currently signposted as "2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area G".

It is proposed to change parking at this location to "4P 8am-8pm Electric Vehicles Only While Charging" and "No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted While Charging All Other Times".

The proposed parking changes would allow only electric vehicles to park while charging. This would be permitted for up to four hours of parking between 8am and 8pm, seven days a week. After 8pm electric vehicles can park for longer periods only while charging.

The proposed EV charging spaces in Ross Street meets the following criteria:

- Support residents without access to off-street parking, or major off-street public electric vehicle charging facilities.
- Have limited direct impact on residential properties.
- The footpath adjacent to the parking space is sufficiently wide to ensure no impacts to pedestrians.
- Have no impacts to loading or mobility parking spaces.
- The Ausgrid electric pole is suitable to accommodate the electric vehicle chargers.
- Have adequate street and footpath lighting to support night time use.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 189 letters sent out with two responses supporting the proposal and one response opposing the proposal due to loss of on-street permit parking spaces.

One of the submissions in support of the proposal requested the installation of fast-charging EV infrastructure and suggested that, to offset the loss of two on-street permit parking spaces, parking on Ross Street be amended to permit holders only

EVX as the charging point operator decides the type of charger to install at each location. The City does not have influence over the specific charger model or configuration chosen. Given that Ross Street is a public and not a private road, the City is unable to designate parking for the exclusive use for permit holders only.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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