6.2 LATE REPORT: MINOR PARKING RESTRICTION IMPROVEMENTS/AMENDMENTS

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Attachments:	1. Plan No. 3534-PP-01 2. Plan No. 3535-PP-01

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. APPROVES the following minor parking restriction improvements and amendments:
 - 1.1 Installation of an on-road ACROD bay adjacent 199 Bulwer Street, Perth, Plan No. 3534-PP-01 (Attachment 1); and
 - 1.2 Installation of a Loading Zone adjacent 69 Edward Street, Perth, Plan No. 3535-PP-01 (Attachment 2).

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To consider improvements and amendments to parking arrangements at various locations throughout the City of Vincent as detailed in the report.

BACKGROUND:

The City regularly receives requests for the introduction of, or changes to, parking restrictions in both residential and commercial areas. Administration generally undertakes a range of investigations including parking demand and traffic volume surveys to assess traffic and on street parking conditions. That data is then used to determine whether new or amended restrictions are warranted to improve parking availability and amenity. Where changes are considered justifiable a report is then presented to Council for consideration as Administration does not have delegated authority to make such changes.

DETAILS:

A number of parking issues have recently been identified and investigated with details provided below:

Request for an ACROD on-road parking bay adjacent 199 Bulwer Street, Perth

The above location is on the southern side of Bulwer Street, approximately between Lake and William Streets.

Bulwer Street is a District Distributor that links Vincent and Lord Streets and has a 40kph posted speed limit as it falls within the City's 40kph Speed Zone Trial area.

The City has received a request for an on-road ACROD parking bay adjacent, or near, the entrance to the Doctors Surgery at U3/199 Bulwer Street. The request relates to the difficulty some of the elderly and infirmed patients have finding a parking place near the surgery.

There is an existing ACROD approximately 70m from the entrance to the surgery near St Vincent de Pauls, at 217 Bulwer Street, near the corner of Lake Street.

However, Bulwer Street streets grades down from Lake Street to William Street and while walking down hill to the Doctors may not be insurmountable walking back up can be. The location of the proposed ACROD bay is approximately 15m from the surgery's entrance where the grade flattens out. The need for the ACROD bay was confirmed by the Doctor who indicated that he has a disproportionally high number of elderly patients whom are long-term inner city residents.

While the existing ACROD bay at 217 Bulwer Street is regularly used it may be that if another ACROD bay is installed closer to the surgery its usage would diminish. Therefore, if the new ACROD is approved the Rangers would be requested to undertake random checks of the existing bay and if no longer warranted, including consulting with the adjacent businesses, its possible removal would be included in a future parking report.

The existing restrictions in Bulwer Street are 2P, 8.00am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday, with the parking often at capacity during the week.

It is therefore recommended that an existing parking space at No. 199 Bulwer Street be changed to an onroad ACROD bay, as shown on Plan 3534-PP-01 (Attachment 1)

Proposed Installation of a Loading Zone adjacent 69 Edward Street, Perth

The above location is on the southern side of Edward Street, east of Lord Street, and specifically relates to first on-road parking space closest the intersection.

Edward Street is an Access Road that services the commercial / industrial Claisebrook precinct and has a 50kph posted speed limit.

The City has received a request for a Loading Zone to service the adjacent properties and in particular, 69 Edward Street, as it has recently undergone a change of use from office supplies to vehicle workshop.

Prior to the new tenant moving into the premises the previous tenant relied upon courier deliveries, typically using small vans that are able to drive into the premises. Alternatively, they used the existing 'No Stopping Zone', on the Lord Street side of the premises. However, the new tenant, a vehicle workshop, is reliant upon a more diverse range of delivery vehicles, including trucks that cannot access the building.

A site inspection indicates that there are no Loading Zones in the immediate vicinity, and given the nature of the area, and high percentage of commercial vehicles, it would be expected that a Loading Zone would be well utilised and potentially reduce the number of delivery vehicles parking illegally.

It is recommended that a loading zone has operational hours to match that of the adjacent restrictions, 8.00am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and 8.00am to 12noon Saturdays, be approved as shown on Plan No. 3535-PP-01 (Attachment 2).

CONSULTATION/ADVERTISING:

All affected property owners and occupiers will be notified of the parking restriction changes although it should be noted that in each instance the level of amenity for the adjacent residents and businesses will improve. There is minimal impact upon the wider community.

LEGAL/POLICY:

The *City of Vincent Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law 2007* regulates the parking or standing of vehicles in all or specified thoroughfares and reserves under the care, control and management of the City and provides for the management and operation of parking facilities.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS:

Low: These proposed parking restriction changes will deliver amenity improvements for residents, businesses, and their visitors.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

This is in keeping with the City's *Strategic Community Plan 2018-2028*:

"Accessible City

We have better integrated all modes of transport and increased services throughout the City."

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Costs associated with these parking restriction changes will be completed utilising existing funding from the appropriate signage and line-marking budgets.

COMMENTS:

Administration has investigated current parking and traffic management issues at these locations and it is appropriate to implement minor improvements and amendments as both a road safety, amenity and service delivery improvement. While more significant changes to parking arrangements should await completion of the Integrated Transport Strategy it is necessary for Administration to continue to effectively respond to site-specific issues. It is anticipated that Administration will continue to present parking reports to Council to deal with current parking issues.



