

ATTACHMENT B

ATTACHMENT B

**MINUTES OF THE SYDNEY TRAFFIC
COMMITTEE MEETING OF 18 MAY 2005
ON ITEM 15.1 CAR SHARE**

15. OTHER BUSINESS

15.1 Car Share City of Sydney (Council File: Report Compiled by CW

Background:

The City along with Leichhardt, Marrickville and North Sydney Councils are examining "Car Share" for use in these Local Government Areas to reduce vehicle ownership, provide a viable alternative for those who need to travel by car without the need to own a car and reduce dependences on private vehicles. This will encourage those trips that do not require a car to be made by alternative transport modes such as public transport, cycling or walking.

Comments:

There is no issue with housing Car Share vehicles at a location within private property but there needs to be clear guidelines and regulations to govern operation in public space.

Currently, the RTA is developing a discussion paper for a Working Group that has been set-up to examine the use of Car Share and once the group is satisfied with all aspects relating to this type of facility, then it will be place on public exhibition for comment.

The City has developed some for of information on Car Share which is as follows:

1. It si considered at trial of Car Share should operate for two (2) years and be reviewed after one (1) year.
2. It is the responsibility of the car share operator to make application to the Sydney Traffic Committee (referred to as "The Committee") for an on-street car share vehicle space. The Committee will be the approval authority for the space. Application may be made for more than one car share vehicle parking space.
3. The criteria used by the Committee in determining whether a car share operator may operate a scheme within the City are outlined below.
4. At the time of application to the Committee the car share operator must demonstrate how their scheme meets the City's criteria.

CRITERIA

Membership

- Only residents or businesses within the LGA can be members of the local car share scheme.
- Members must be able to make reservations 24 hours a day.
- Minimum car hire period must be at least one (1) hour.
- The charges for vehicle hire should always relate to length of hire and distance travelled.

Car Share Vehicles

- The vehicles must be strictly limited to low emission vehicles such as LPG, CNG, electric or hybrid vehicles, or petrol driven cars of 1.8 litre engine capacity.
- They must be roadworthy, registered in NSW and properly maintained.
- Vehicles parked on-street must be available for hire
- Use of on-street parking spaces is strictly limited to parking of vehicles only. All vehicle maintenance and repair must occur off-street.
- The car share operator must be clearly identified on the vehicle, eg, unique logo, company name on the vehicle etc.

On-Street Parking Locations

Guidelines for Assessing Proposed Locations

- The locations of car share parking spaces must be close to the members of the car share scheme.
- Car share spaces must be in locations that allow a vehicle to park continuously for a 24-hour period (ie, in zones where peak hour restrictions do not apply).
- Preference will be given to locations in residential areas where off-street parking is limited.
- Preference will be given to locations in close proximity to, other non-car transport modes such as public transport services, cycling and walking routes, and existing taxi parking spaces.

Preferred Locations

Parking for a car share vehicle will be considered in the following on-street locations in priority order:

- Located adjacent to a park, reserve, other open space, or a community facility.
- Existing parking is unrestricted.
- Existing parking is time restricted.
- Car share spaces will be considered outside residential dwellings, commercial and retail businesses only after consultation.

Unacceptable Locations

- No car share spaces will be provided in the Central Business District (CBD).
- No car share spaces will be provided in dedicated on-street parking zones that are signposted as; Bus Zones, Taxi Zones, Loading Zones, Truck Zones, Disabled Persons Parking Zones, Construction Zones, No Standing, No Parking, No Stopping and Clearways.

Accordingly, the following recommendation is made.

Recommendation:

That the Committee note the Car Share information and provide comments back to Council at a future Traffic Committee meeting.

Decision: