

MOTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Snape will move a motion and seek a seconder for the matter shown below to facilitate consideration by the Council:

Noting the volume of foot traffic between the City of Adelaide offices and the Eastern side of Victoria Square. I move:

'That:

1. Council undertakes an investigation of the Flinders St Crossing immediately off Pilgrim Lane with the intention to upgrade it to a raised wombat crossing.
2. The outcome of the investigation are presented to Council as part of the 2022/23 Business Plan & Budget Process.'

ADMINISTRATION COMMENT

1. In June 2019 Council resolved that an investigation of possible pedestrian crossing options for Flinders Street adjacent Pilgrim Lane be undertaken. The following options were considered:
 - 1.1. Zebra crossings.
 - 1.2. Keep Clear Pavement markings.
 - 1.3. Kerb extensions.
 - 1.4. Signalised pedestrian crossing.
2. A wombat crossing at this location was not considered feasible for the following:
 - 2.1. The removal of the refuge would have increased the crossing distance, placing pedestrians at greater risk.
 - 2.2. Significant loss of parking to ensure line of sight is maintained and conforms to the Australian Road Rules.
 - 2.3. Motorists exiting Pilgrim Lane would have to drive onto the crossing at the same time as a pedestrian may be present.
 - 2.4. Lighting upgrades may have been required to ensure compliance with Australian Standards.
 - 2.5. Potential stormwater implications.
 - 2.6. Significant cost.

3. Kerb extensions were considered to be the best option from a pedestrian safety and operational perspective as they:
 - 3.1. Reduce crossing distance.
 - 3.2. Improve line of sight to pedestrians.
 - 3.3. Do not impact vehicle movement.
 - 3.4. Do not impact on parking provision.
4. Following the Council decision of 8 October 2019, detailed design work commenced in the 2021/22 financial year on kerb extensions. Two new and significant upgrade projects were established in the Service Delivery Plan in 2021/22. The project initiatives have been placed in the draft 2022/23 Business Plan and Budget, both as upgrade/new opportunities for Council consideration, identified as the 'Flinders Street Streetscape Improvements and Greening' and 'Flinders Street Pedestrian Crossing Improvements'.
5. Council will be presented for review and consideration the 'Flinders Street Streetscape Improvements and Greening' initiative through the 2022/23 Business Plan and Budget, the designs completed for the kerb extensions will be incorporated into the 'Flinders Street Streetscape Improvements and Greening Project', for construction in 2023/24.
6. Should this Motion be carried the 'Flinders Street Pedestrian Crossing Improvements' can be considered separately and if supported, construction of the kerb extensions would be delivered in 2022/23 (\$160k).

Should the motion be carried, the following implications of this motion should be considered. Note any costs provided are estimates only – no quotes or prices have been obtained:	
Public consultation	Not applicable
External consultant advice	Not applicable
Legal advice / litigation (eg contract breach)	Not applicable
Impacts on existing projects	Not applicable
Budget reallocation	Not applicable
Capital investment	\$160,000
Staff time in preparing the workshop / report requested in the motion	Not applicable
Other	Not applicable
Staff time in receiving and preparing this administration comment	To prepare this administration comment in response to the motion on notice took approximately 5.5 hours.

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