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Our Reference: NCA/2/2015
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Dear Ms. Fu

Re: Modification under Section 96(1) for SSD 7262 MOD 2 Multi Storey Carpark (MSCP) Westmead Hospital

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the modification proposal currently on exhibition, which proposes to delete traffic management conditions D1 (f) and (g). These removed conditions will then be replaced by a new condition D1A that states the following:

D1A Within 12 months of the opening of the Multi Storey Carpark:

- a) complete the intersection enhancements and upgrade works pursuant to condition D1(a) and any associated utility adjustment/relocation works; and*
- b) complete any upgrade to bus service/facilities associated with the final intersection enhancements/upgrades, such as new bus stops and associated signage, if required.*

Whilst the City of Parramatta Council welcomes the opportunities that the new Westmead carpark presents and looks forward to working with the project team to reach a resolution of the current issues, the proposal to open the car park without the required traffic intersection works is not supported.

The new Mons Road car park has resulted in reports to Council of waiting times of 5-10 minutes and Council staff have observed these queues back from the intersection of Darcy Road, Mons Road and Institute Road. This access way is an important vehicular intersection for construction of the new hospital wing and for the access of ambulances. This proposal to open the car park, even with the mitigation described in the application (Letter GTA Consultants, dated 19 May 2017) would further cause extremely unacceptable amounts of delay and traffic congestion.

A delay in the opening of the car park will indeed result in a longer period of employees parking in residential streets, however, this is considered to be a

necessary outcome in order to avoid far worse traffic gridlock, which may infringe upon emergency vehicles and general hospital access.

It is Council's understanding that all the management measures committed to in the original development application stated that the traffic management mitigation works were to be completed before the car park opening. The management of the car park needs to progressively open and reserve areas to allow various staff groups to use the car park.

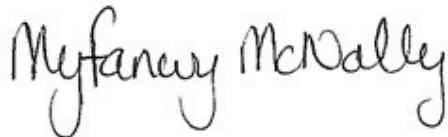
The construction worker's car park and fee increases were also always planned. These fee increases are to be set at such an amount that it would be unlikely to have a significant effect on car park use or impact traffic congestion to the extent that is considered to be an acceptable solution. The changes to the start and finish times of operational staff have not been discussed previously but it is noted that this issue is only to be reviewed.

Next Steps

The city of Parramatta Council is not in support of the s96(1) application to modify the traffic mitigation works associated with the Westmead Multi-Storey Carpark and recommend that the above mentioned issues are considered and resolved by the Department of Planning and Environment.

It is advised that the applicant and delegated project team organise a meeting with Council's Head of Traffic Engineering to discuss these matters further.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Myfanwy McNally". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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