CBD and South East Light Rail EIS

Grosvenor Place 225 George Street

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1. Introduction

The CBD and South East Light Rail as described in Transport for New South Wales' EIS is a highly positive development proposal. It will expand Sydney's transport network, providing sustainable transport which will in turn support mobility and growth. The CSELR should be a catalyst for urban renewal and, with new development, promote an uplift in the quality of the public domain. George Street is the backbone to the city centre Light Rail, linking the 3 proposed squares and strengthening its role as a pedestrian and public transport spine. This response focuses specifically on the Grosvenor stop location and proposes an alternative location based on providing a more equal distance between stops (Circular Quay to Wynyard) and to respond to the current and future working population who will directly benefit from a realigned stop.

1.1. Purpose of this Report

This report has been compiled on behalf of DEXUS in respect to the recently publicly exhibited proposal or the new CBD and South East Sydney Light Rail project. The report establishes key opportunities in relation to the stop location in particular relation to the 'Grosvenor Stop' location on George Street.

1.2. Scope of this Report

The report has been compiled with a particular focus on the following EIS documents, downloaded from the Resources section of the Sydney Light Rail website (www.sydneylightrail.transport.nsw.gov.au/information/resources?type=).

- Table of Contents and Executive Summary
- Volumes 1A and 1B
- Volume 2
 - Technical Paper 1: Traffic Operations
 - Technical Paper 2: CTTMS
- Volume 3
 - Technical Paper 3: Social Impact Assessment
- Volume 4
 - Technical Paper 5: Heritage Impact Assessment
 - Technical Paper 6: Heritage Interpretation Strategy
- Volume 5
 - Technical Paper 9: Tree Assessment
 - Technical Paper 10: Visual and Landscape Assessment
- CBD and South East Light Rail EIS Fact Sheet

2. Stop Location

The CESLR EIS stop location for Grosvenor is situated on George Street, between Grosvenor and Jamison Streets. The stop as proposed in the EIS is in close proximity to the Wynyard Stop (275m) whilst it is a more significant distance from the interchange at Circular Quay (475m).

The alternative proposal below requests that the TFNSW reconsider the location of the Grosvenor Stop to be aligned further north adjacent to Grosvenor Street and Grosvenor Place, between Grosvenor and Essex Streets. This would have the benefit of equalizing the distance between the Wynyard and Circular Quay stops, and furthermore it will respond to the significant population of workers in the existing Grosvenor Place building as well as the significant population of workers in the soon to be completed 200 George Street development (Mirvac), directly opposite on George Street.

