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**CENTRAL CITY SPECIAL COMMITTEE
2 JULY 1998**

**A meeting of the Central City Special Committee
was held on Thursday 2 July 1998 at 4.05 pm**

PRESENT:

Councillor Margaret Murray (Chairman),
Councillors Graham Berry, Anna Crighton,
Newton Dodge, Morgan Fahey, Ian Howell,
Alistair James, Charles Manning, Denis O'Rourke,
Barbara Stewart and Ron Wright.

The Committee reports that:

**PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS
TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE**

**1. GLOUCESTER STREET/WORCESTER STREET/OXFORD TERRACE
BUS STOPS**

RR 8011

The Council on 29 June 1998 resolved that all Councillors be invited to this Central City Committee meeting and be able to vote on this issue.

The Committee convened as a special committee with delegated power to act.

The report presented to the Committee by the City Streets Manager proposed changes to bus stop locations and alterations to parking restrictions in Gloucester Street, Worcester Street and Oxford Terrace as a result of four consultation forums held to resolve the concern of shopkeepers in the area adjacent to Cathedral Square.

The City Streets Manager outlined the consultation which had taken place during 1996/97 on the relocation of buses.

There had been some amendment to the Council's proposals resulting from the resource consent hearings decisions.

The changes were to be implemented on 20 July to coincide with the contractor in Cathedral Square completing Stage I and commencing Stage II.

The changes include relocating the bus stops on the south side of Gloucester Street, west of Colombo Street to the north side and P60 metered parking to replace the bus stops on the south side of Gloucester Street west of Colombo Street. It includes the relocation of the taxi stand to a location in Colombo Street and the relocation of three bus stops from Worcester Street to the south side of Gloucester Street east of Colombo Street. At the same time it was proposed to allow taxis to use the area vacated by the buses in the north-eastern quadrant of Cathedral Square.

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These changes were supported by the Canterbury Regional Council, representatives of the bus companies and the majority of property occupiers and representatives of property owners in the area. The changes were also supported by the Parking Operations Manager.

The plan tabled at the meeting is attached.

DEPUTATIONS

The Committee received submissions from Jennifer Pettit and John Taylor, NZ Taxi Federation.

Ms Pettit advised that businesses in Worcester Street supported the proposals before the Committee and would welcome the return of tour coach stops to Worcester Street.

Mr Taylor expressed concerns of taxi drivers who were now finding it difficult to drop elderly or infirm passengers at or near bus stops in the Square. They sought a load zone nearby and asked that a balance be achieved to provide drop-off points for passengers linking with bus services or visiting restaurants.

This matter was currently being addressed by Council staff and the Police.

It was **resolved**:

1. That a bus stop be created on the northern side of Gloucester Street commencing at a point 33 m measured in a westerly direction from a point opposite the western kerblines of Colombo Street and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 60 m.
2. That a bus stop be created on the southern side of Gloucester Street commencing at a point 41 m measured in an easterly direction from a point opposite the eastern kerblines of Colombo Street and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 54 m.
3. That parking meters with a time limit of 60 minutes be introduced on the southern side of Gloucester Street commencing at a point 18 m measured in a westerly direction from a point opposite the western kerblines of Colombo Street and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 68 m.
4. That a bus stop between the hours of 6 am and 11 pm be created on the northern side of Worcester Street commencing at a point 72 m measured in an easterly direction from a point opposite the eastern kerblines of Oxford Terrace and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 17 m.

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5. That a taxi stand between the hours of 6 am and 11 pm be created on the northern side of Worcester Street commencing at a point 72 m measured in an easterly direction from a point opposite the eastern kerbline of Oxford Terrace and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 17 m.
6. That a tour coach park with a time limit of 60 minutes be created on the northern side of Worcester Street commencing at a point 8 m measured in an easterly direction from a point opposite the eastern kerbline of Oxford Terrace and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 64 m.
7. That a bus stop be created on the southern side of Worcester Street commencing at a point 35 m measured in an easterly direction from a point opposite the eastern kerbline of Oxford Terrace and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 34 m.
8. That a P5 at all times loading zone be created on the southern side of Worcester Street commencing at a point 30 m measured in an easterly direction from a point opposite the eastern kerbline of Oxford Terrace and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 5 m.
9. That a bus and coach park Monday to Sunday be created on the western side of Oxford Terrace with a time limit of 15 minutes operating Monday to Sunday be created on the western side of Oxford Terrace commencing at a point 25 m measured in a northerly direction from a point opposite the northern kerbline of Hereford Street and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 51 m.
10. That a P5 loading zone at all times be created on the western side of Oxford Terrace commencing at a point 76 m measured in a northerly direction from a point opposite the northern kerbline of Hereford Street and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 16 m.
11. That a P5 loading zone at all times be created on the south side of the Cathedral Square in the western quadrant commencing at a point 5 m measured in an easterly direction from a point opposite the western boundary of Cathedral Square and extending in an easterly direction generally for a distance of 27 m.
12. That a taxi stand be created on the western side of Colombo Street commencing at a point 8 m measured in a northerly direction from a point opposite the northern kerbline of Gloucester Street and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 19 m.
13. That taxi stands be created for the duration of Stage II in the existing bus stops in the north-eastern quadrant of Cathedral Square.

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14. That the existing bus stop, tour coach parking, P5 loading zones and metered parking in the above described areas be revoked.
15. That the Council apologise to the shopkeepers in the area for the delays and the time it has taken to achieve a solution to the issues raised by them.

The meeting concluded at 4.45 pm

CONSIDERED THIS 22ND DAY OF JULY 1998

MAYOR