

3. WEBB STREET – STREET RENEWAL PROJECT

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Committee's approval to proceed to final design, tender and construction of the street renewal project in Webb Street, as shown in Attachment 1.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. A report outlining the street renewal works proposed for Webb Street was presented to the Works, Traffic and Environment Committee of the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board on 25 September 2006.

3. At its meeting on 10 October 2006, the Community Board resolved:

1. *To grant approval for the Webb Street – street renewal project to proceed to final design, tender and construction subject to:*

- (i) *the narrowing of the carriageway to no less than 9.0 m.*
- (ii) *the narrowing of the threshold to no less than 8.0m.*
- (iii) *the landscaping aspects of the day lighting of the St Albans Stream being finalised in consultation with the residents, in line with the way the Grants Road project was developed.*
- (iv) *the grassed area outside No. 29 being redesigned. Staff to work with the adjacent resident, Mr Priddy, to develop a suitable balance between landscape planting and grass.*
- (v) *measures being taken to ensure that existing trees are protected and their root structures are not damaged during the construction process.*

2. *That staff be requested to investigate the above recommendations and report back to the Works, Traffic and Environment Committee meeting on 27 November 2006.*

3. *Approve new "no stopping" restrictions, prohibiting the stopping of vehicles at any time in the following locations:" (refer below)*

4. Further to the report presented to the Committee on 25 September 2006, the project team considered the resolutions passed by the Community Board on 10 October 2006, and amended the concept plan for Webb Street, to that shown at Attachment 1. In particular, the plan shows the following:

- The carriageway remains at 9.0 metres width, except in the area of the St Albans Stream day lighting, which narrows to 5.0 metres.
- The width of the threshold at Bristol Street has been increased from 6.0 metres to 7.0 metres. On a 9.0-metre wide carriageway, an 8.0-metre wide threshold would require narrowing of the carriageway on either side by 0.5 metres, which would have little or no impact for improved safety for pedestrians crossing the street, for reducing the cornering speed into Webb Street or dissuading those motorists using Webb Street as a thoroughfare. The Transport & Greenspace Unit best-practice requires 7.0 metres for the narrowing; however, a 9.0-metre wide entranceway to Webb Street is also an acceptable option (i.e. no narrowing), as the issues that led to the narrowing at the intersection are considered to be minor. There has been no adverse feedback from residents relating to the earlier proposal to narrow the entrance to Bristol Street to 6.0 metres.
- The project team undertakes to consult with the residents of Webb Street on the design for the day-lighting of St Albans Stream, once the initial design has been completed.
- The berm area outside 29 Webb Street will be partially landscaped, and this landscaping will be incorporated into the design of the day-lighting of St Albans Stream to ensure consistency. Discussions have been held with the landowners at 29 Webb Street, and they are satisfied with this approach.

- The contract documents for construction of the street renewal works will highlight the trees on private property, and emphasise the need for the contractors to take utmost care when working within the vicinity of these trees (i.e. in particular, the pin oak at 38a Webb Street and liquid amber at 46 Webb Street).
5. A letter was received from Warren and Pamela Walpole, residents at 36 Webb Street, on 2 October 2006. A response to this letter was sent on 13 October 2006. No changes are proposed to the concept design, as shown in Attachment 1, as a result of this feedback.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. The street renewal works for Webb Street are programmed in the Transport & Greenspace Unit's capital programme for implementation in the 2006/2007 financial year. The cost estimate for these works is now \$589,200, \$72,510 of which is for the day lighting of St Albans Stream.
7. There appear to be no legal implications for this project.
8. Community Board resolutions are required to approve the "No Stopping" restrictions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee:

- (a) Approve the street renewal works for Webb Street to proceed to detailed design, tender and construction, as shown in Attachment 1.
- (b) Approve the following "No Stopping" restrictions:

New "No Stopping"

- (i) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the northern side of Webb Street commencing at its intersection with Papanui Road and extending 17 metres in an easterly direction.
- (ii) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the southern side of Webb Street commencing at its intersection with Papanui Road and extending 21 metres in an easterly direction.
- (iii) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the northern side of Webb Street commencing at a point 133 metres from its intersection with Papanui Road and extending 56 metres in an easterly direction.
- (iv) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the southern side of Webb Street commencing at a point 133 metres from its intersection with Papanui Road and extending 56 metres in an easterly direction.
- (v) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the southern side of Webb Street commencing at its intersection with Bristol Street and extending 17 metres in a westerly direction.
- (vi) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the western side of Bristol Street commencing at its intersection with Bristol Street and extending 17 metres in a westerly direction.
- (vii) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the northern side of Webb Street commencing at its intersection with Bristol Street and extending 17 metres in a westerly direction.
- (viii) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the western side of Bristol Street commencing at its intersection with Webb Street and extending 11 metres in a northerly direction.
- (ix) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the eastern side of Bristol Street commencing at its intersection with Webb Street on the northern side and extending 15 metres in a northerly direction.