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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the start of the public consultation period for the Citywide Parking Strategy (the Strategy) and of the next stages in the process.

1. THE PARKING STRATEGY (SYNOPSIS OF CONTENTS)

The Strategy has now been released for public consultation. This release follows a process of input from focus groups, City and Regional Council officers and the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee. An open seminar was also held for Community Board members.

The Strategy includes a vision statement, objectives, policies, methods, and monitoring and implementation sections. There are seven sections within the policy and method sections. These include general, arterial, business (including general business, commercial/retail, central city and industrial), residential, recreation/leisure, education and rural sections. Each section has specific policies that relate to land use, with the general section covering all land uses.

The introduction of kerb space priority tables may be of specific interest to Community Boards. These tables outline the priority to be assigned to particular users when conflict over kerb space allocation arises. Each section (apart from the general section) has a specific table.

Submissions can be made by completing an online submission form, or by completing the submission form on pages 35-36 of the Consultation Draft Parking Strategy (A4 version), or by emailing ParkingStrategy@ccc.govt.nz.

2. CONSULTATION INFORMATION

The submission period formally runs between 1 October 2002 and Friday 8 November 2002 (a total of 6 weeks).

Consultation began on 1 October 2002 with a summary of the full Strategy in the form of a centre insert (4 x A3 pages) in the Council's *City Scene* publication. This publication has been delivered to 132,000 households.

At the same time the full 36 page (A4 size) Strategy was delivered to key stakeholders. External stakeholders primarily include all participants in the focus groups that assisted in the Strategy development, business associations, residents' groups, educational institutions, sporting and recreation groups, transportation businesses, government organisations, professional organisations and other interest groups. Internal stakeholders include elected members and Council Units directly involved with parking and community issues. Advertisements are also being placed in the *Star* and *Press*, and posters are being displayed at various locations.

Finally, a website (**www.ccc.govt.nz/ParkingStrategy**) has been set up. This site includes the full Strategy, together with associated documents and information to assist in understanding the Strategy and making submissions.

3. STRATEGY PROCESS

Staff will be available during the consultation period to discuss matters addressed in the Strategy. If Community Boards would like to discuss the contents of the Strategy further to assist with the preparation of submissions, then they can contact Heather Wallis (DDI 941 8292) to arrange a specific meeting, or arrange for staff to be present at the November Board meeting.

After the close of submissions (8 November 2002), staff will begin to analyse submissions and consider possible amendments to the Strategy. This process will continue from November through to February 2003, as there are no meetings during December and January to report to. A report summarising the submissions received, along with possible responses, will be presented to the Community Boards and Sustainable Transport & Utilities Committee in February 2003. Following feedback from these meetings, final amendments will be made to the Strategy ready for formal adoption in March 2003.

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