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Attention: Ken Kanagarajan

Proposed south facing ramps from Gardeners Road to Southern Cross Drive

Dear Sir

I refer to your letters to the RTA dated 3rd and 21st December 2004 in which you related a number of Council's resolutions in regard to the subject project.

I offer the following in response to the points raised in your letter:

- (a) Council's support of the proposed ramps is noted. It should also be noted that the RTA is investigating the impact of the proposed ramps, especially in regard to the possible alteration of local traffic movement patterns and mitigating measures to be implemented in response to any impact identified. The RTA looks forward to working with Council to mitigate any impacts that may occur following the construction of the ramps.
 - i) As discussed above, the RTA is investigating alterations to local traffic movements and is developing mitigating measures to be implemented in response to any impact that the project may cause.
 - ii) The RTA will implement such noise mitigation measures as are required by the Government's policies and procedures.
 - iii) The RTA will investigate pedestrian movements at and around the project site as part of the investigations for the project and will implement practicable infrastructure to mitigate any adverse impacts to pedestrian movements caused by the project.
 - iv) The RTA is prepared to consider further improvements to the roundabout at Anzac Parade. However, Council would be aware that this is a very complicated intersection already and to improve it will not be an easy task.

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- v) The RTA is planning community consultation with regard to the project in accordance with its usual practices. At this stage investigations are still at a preliminary stage and it is not expected that community consultation would be fruitful until the preliminary information is available. It is expected that this will not be available until February / March this year, at which stage consultation will be initiated. The RTA will consult further with Council representatives regarding the proposed consultation.
- (b) The RTA will be able to provide Council with project updates, as they become available.
- (c) Issues related to Lenthall Street are beyond the scope of this project.
- (d) Issues related to Dalmeny Ave and other local streets are beyond the scope of this project.
- (e) There are no plans to implement a grade separated interchange at Epsom Road and Southern Cross Drive and this has not emerged as a priority issue in the investigation of the South Sydney Package of works.
- (f) It is expected that the results of modelling and investigation of the various measures proposed for the South Sydney precinct will be ongoing and that the results of these investigations will be made available progressively.
- (g) Noted
- (h) Noted
- (i) The provision of south-facing ramps at Southern Cross Drive and Gardeners Road will offer considerable strategic benefits to motorists and residents of this area. However, the RTA considers that north-facing ramps at this location are not sufficiently justified to merit priority over other initiatives currently being investigated.
- (j) Noted

Yours faithfully



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