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ITEM 24

NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR CAMERON WALTERS - WOLLONGONG CBD FREE PARKING PERIOD

Councillor Walters has submitted the following Notice of Motion -

"I formally move that Council -

- Notes the ongoing consequences and financial impacts of COVID-19 on residents and businesses in the Wollongong LGA;
- Turns off all parking meters in the Wollongong CBD, starting 21 December 2020 and finishing 17 January 2021, with the following put in place:
 - a All metered zones are to become free parking, with current time limits still applying;
 - b Appropriate signage and social media alerts be arranged, noting that parking is "free" during the above dates, and;
 - c Notification be made to local businesses within the CBD that free parking will be offered during the above dates.
- Write to the owners of Wollongong Central, GPT Group, calling on them to implement free parking during this period in line with Wollongong City Council, noting in the letter:
 - a That, as a compromise, Wollongong City Council would be supportive of a 3-hour free parking period during the above dates in Wollongong Central car parks."