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Ald. Andrew Briger
Vice Chairman
City Development Committee
Council of the City of Sydney
Town Hall
SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Dear Alderman Briger:

re: Duplication of Policy Formation on City Parking

At the City of Sydney Strategic Plan Third Formal Review Meeting on October 15, 1970, reference was made to a report on parking within the City of Sydney being prepared by a working group, understood to be appointed by the County of Cumberland Passenger Transport Advisory Committee.

Enquiry has indicated that the official title of this group is:-

"The Working Group appointed by the Steering Committee on Parking, established by :

1. The City of Sydney Parking Advisory Committee
2. The Traffic Advisory Committee for NSW
3. The County of Cumberland Passenger Transport Advisory Committee".

The Chairman of this Working Group is Mr F. Bezer of the Department of Government Transport. He is also Chairman of the Technical Sub-Committee of the City of Sydney Parking Advisory Committee. The City Council representative on the Group is Mr C. Cooling.

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Mr Bezer had, as at August 3, 1970, drafted a final report of this Group. Copies of this report were at that time available to officers of the Sydney City Council. At that time, some of the basic data collated for the report had been made available to Urban Systems Corporation; however, access to the report was withheld pending submission of the draft to members of the sponsoring committees.

On August 10, 1970, a letter (copy attached) was sent to the Town Clerk pointing out the desirability of this report being made available to the staff of Urban Systems Corporation and a reply dated August 11, (copy attached) was received from the Town Clerk stating that the report could not be made available.

Since then, your Consultants have been forced to work independently to formulate a policy and a strategy on parking within the City of Sydney. This work of ours is now well advanced and is being drafted into final form for incorporation in the City Strategic Plan.

We are concerned that the Three-Committees "Working Group" are proceeding to finalise and perhaps gain some official adoption and/or publication of a separate report on policies and proposals for parking in the City. Any such report would either duplicate, or conflict with, the City Council's Strategic Plan, and thereby create confusion in the public mind.

We recommend that your Council take action to obviate any possibility of duplicated effort, conflicting reports, and/or public confusion. It may be that a formal approach by Council to the Three Committees could be made, requesting that their work and views on parking in the City be fully transmitted to your Consultants, and that the Three Committees suspend any decisions on policies pending submission to them of Council Consultants' policy and strategy determinations on parking, which we could prepare for you if necessary before Christmas.

Yours faithfully

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City of Sydney Strategic Plan

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