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Dear Perth Buskers,

RE: TEMPORARY BUSKING EXCLUSION ZONE - EFFECTIVE 16 OCTOBER 2024

We are writing to formally notify you about a recent update regarding Busking Permits.

The City has introduced a temporary busking exclusion zone within **50 meters of the Murray St/Forrest Place intersection**. This change comes after an increase in community complaints regarding street performers, and we're committed to making sure that our malls remain vibrant whilst balancing the needs of all users of public spaces.

Your contributions to Perth's lively street culture are invaluable, and we appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this temporary adjustment. We ask all performers to be mindful of the impact on businesses, visitors, and fellow buskers, particularly regarding **volume and performance variety**.

Please direct speakers **away from business entrances and arcade access points** for amplified performances. Pointing speakers down the mall will also help to reduce sound reflection.

Below, you'll find a list of approved busking locations in the mall area during this period:

Location	Description
Murray St West	Northern side of Murray St mall, in front of the southwestern corner of 140 William. (The old Telstra Shop site, opposite ANZ).
Forrest Place North	Around the Grow Your Own artwork (also known as the Cactus) and the Forrest Place stage.
Hay St West	Both sides of the mall in front of Bupa and Amcal Pharmacy (previously known as the K-Mart/Target site). No amplification permitted.

Hay St East	Both sides of the mall in the area between Stax and Superdry Store . No amplification permitted.
Barrack & Hay St Intersection	Southern undercover area in front of McDonald's .

To keep things fresh and engaging for everyone, we encourage musical acts to **diversify their setlists**, as feedback from local workers has mentioned some concerns about repetitive performances. Introducing a broader range of music can enhance your audience's experience and help build your fan base.

To ensure fair use of public spaces amongst your peers, please limit your performance time to a maximum of **one hour** (including setup and pack down), and kindly avoid returning to the same spot within **four hours**.

As part of our ongoing commitment to supporting busking, The City is exploring options to create more busking opportunities in the future. This may include expanding the number of performance locations and updating guidelines to foster a more harmonious experience for both performers and the community.

We would love your input as we work towards these improvements and will soon invite you to share your thoughts and feedback on how we can best support buskers while balancing community needs.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have further enquiries, please email us at info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au.

Kind regards,

Customer Experience Centre