# MELBOURNE METRO RAIL PROJECT ENVIRONMENT EFFECTS STATEMENT INQUIRY AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### **MMRA TECHNICAL NOTE**

**TECHNICAL NOTE NUMBER:** 012

**DATE:** 26/7/2016

**PRECINCT:** CBD North

**MAP BOOK REFERENCE:** Map 7 (Horizontal Alignment Plans –

Operation Phase)

**SUBJECT:** Franklin Street Legacy Condition

Franklin Street (east of Swanston Street) to be re-opened to traffic post-construction (in response to City of Melbourne request).

#### NOTE:

- The Concept Design is based on a station entrance in Franklin Street that
  assumes Franklin Street will be permanently closed to traffic between
  Swanston Street and Bowen Street post-construction of the Project.
  Managed vehicular access would be provided to the RMIT loading area
  under Building 14. This assumption also formed the basis of the Traffic
  Impact Assessment exhibited as part of the EES.
- 2. The City of Melbourne, as the road manager of Franklin Street, has requested the reinstatement of two lanes of traffic (one in each direction) and bike lanes post-construction. The Concept Design can accommodate the outcome preferred by the City of Melbourne.
- 3. In response to the City of Melbourne's request, this modification involves the reconfiguration of the station entrance so that there is sufficient space within the road reserve for one traffic lane in each direction on Franklin Street between Swanston Street and Victoria Street, an east-bound bicycle lane, and access to the RMIT loading area under Building 14 (refer to Attachment A).
- 4. Implementing this change will allow traffic to continue to use Franklin Street and address the City of Melbourne's requirements for the reinstatement of two lanes of traffic in Franklin Street in the Project's legacy arrangement. This is also consistent with the City of Melbourne's

strategic plan for Franklin Street as a major connection to the Queen Victoria Market.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

**A:** EES Map 7 (operation phase) annotated to show the location of the Franklin Street legacy arrangement outlined in this Technical Note

## ATTACHMENT A

