

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE June 18, 2026

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Launch of Zoox Autonomous Vehicles**

Zoox, an autonomous vehicle company, contacted the Department of Transportation and Public Works, to share that they will begin autonomous testing of their robotaxi fleet in Dallas, with a safety operator in the vehicles, by the end of June 2026. The test fleet of no more than twelve vehicles will always be operated with a safety operator in the vehicle during testing.

Earlier this year, Zoox began manual mapping of the Dallas area and began coordination with staff to plan first responder training for this summer. Additional training with other city staff and elected officials will also be offered later this year.

Zoox currently operates fully autonomous robotaxi services in Las Vegas, the San Francisco Bay Area, Austin, and Miami. Zoox is also deploying test fleets across six additional U.S. cities.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ghassan “Gus” Khankarli, PhD, PE, PMP, CLTD, Director of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, at ghassan.khankarli@dallas.gov.

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