Memorandum



DATE October 16, 2020

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT Dockless Vehicle Program Public Hearing Update

On Thursday, October 15, 2020, the Department of Transportation held a Public Hearing regarding proposed rule changes to the Dockless Vehicle Program. As previously communicated, in September 2020 the Department of Transportation temporarily halted the Dockless Vehicle Program to address public safety concerns, particularly in the Central Business District (CBD). During this re-evaluation period, staff has continued discussions with community stakeholders and dockless vehicle operators regarding the proposed rule changes and other operational improvements.

As presented at the Public Hearing, and based on previous discussions with stakeholders, staff recommends the following rule changes:

- Expand the curfew to 9:00 PM citywide as compared to the previous citywide curfew of 12:00 AM (midnight)
- Limit the number of vehicles deployed per block face to a maximum of 8 per vendor as compared to the previous "no limitations" on number of units per block

In accordance with City Code, the proposed rule changes will be posted on the City Hall bulletin board and the City website for ten days, and staff will continue to receive written comments from the public until October 25, 2020, after which time they will be reviewed as part of a final consideration of the proposed rule changes. Written comments can be sent to doto@dallascityhall.com.

Many other ideas and considerations were discussed during the public hearing, including installing parking corrals in the street to reduce sidewalk riding and to encourage more organized parking by users. Staff continues to work in coordination with the PIDs to identify and implement docking areas for scooters to help manage overcrowding, and continues to engage with the dockless vehicle operators on user education tools, age verification, and identification numbers for each dockless vehicle unit.

Staff will continue to update the City Council as the proposed rules are considered and the public comment period ends.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Michael Rogers, Director of the Department of Transportation, at michael.rogers@dallascityhall.com.

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