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Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 2:07 PM
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Subject: RE: Electric scooters

Thanks for sharing these suggestion. We will work to incorporation these ideas into the pilot program guidelines.

Molly: please add to the file.

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From: ROGER WINTER [<mailto:rogerkentwinter@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2021 1:02 PM
To: Bauman, Robert
Subject: Electric scooters

I read in today's MJS the article regarding your concerns about the return of electric scooters to the streets this summer; concerns with which I whole heartedly agree. There is one other concern I have which I have never seen addressed. That is the manner in which scooters are "abandoned" once the user is done with the devise.

I am a senior citizen, and I live in downtown Milwaukee (corner of Juneau and OWD3rd St/MLK Dr). Walking is my main means of daily exercise walking 2 to 3 miles a day. Scooters abandoned haphazardly in the middle of the sidewalk become a nuisance and a hazard to fellow pedestrians. This was a particular problem when there are events at Fiserv Forum when the number of abandoned scooters greatly impeded pedestrian access and it was almost like negotiating an obstacle course.

I would like to see specific guidance concerning the placement of abandoned scooters particularly around sporting/concert venues as well as entertainment districts such as Old World 3rd St, Water St and Brady St. As an example:

1. If bicycle racks are installed near the termination point of the ride, scooters should be aligned with these bicycle racks. As an example around Fiserv Forum.
2. If there are no racks, the scooter should be "parked" parallel to (not perpendicular to or at an angle with) the curb or the building facade (usually the same thing) and as close to the curb or building as possible.
3. Scooters found to be not parked in accordance to the proscribed manner, should be subject to "arrest" or impoundment for a period of up to 72 hours. This would deny the scooter provider of a source of income during that period. The scooter could be released early if the provider paid a \$25 fine per scooter.
4. Signage regarding proper parking is scooters should be installed in heavy traffic areas (sporting/concert venues and entertainment districts) at the expense of the scooter companies..

Since nothing has been finalized yet, I hope that you will take my suggestions into consideration.