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Substitute resolution directing the Department of Public Works to conduct a 2021 dockless scooter pilot study.

This resolution directs the Department of Public Works to conduct a second dockless scooter pilot study (the first pilot study was completed in 2019). The pilot study, which shall be conducted in accordance with the *Dockless Scooter Pilot Study 2021 Terms and Conditions* document prepared by the Department, will run until December 31, 2021, unless earlier terminated in accordance with the *Dockless Scooter Pilot Study 2021 Terms and Conditions*. The Department shall submit a final report on the results and effectiveness of dockless scooters in the city after the end of the 2021 dockless scooter pilot study.

Whereas, The Department of Public Works conducted a 2019 Dockless Scooter Pilot Study; and

Whereas, Based on the findings and results of the 2019 Dockless Scooter Pilot Study, significant concerns were raised regarding the operation of scooters on public sidewalks, regarding the safety of scooter operation in travel lanes of major roadways, and regarding scooters left unattended on public rights-of-way and private property creating safety concerns and egress/ingress problems; and

Whereas, In particular, the 2019 Dockless Scooter Pilot Study found that, based on 32 hour-long counts at 18 intersections, 17.2% of scooter riders were observed operating scooters on sidewalks; and

Whereas, The 2019 study also showed that there is public support for the availability of dockless scooters; and

Whereas, The Department of Public Works recommends a second pilot study to determine whether scooter pilot study participants can adequately police and monitor the use and operation of scooters to minimize the concerns raised during the first pilot study; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council and the City of Milwaukee, that the Department of Public Works is directed to conduct a second dockless scooter pilot study in accordance with the *Dockless Scooter Pilot Study 2021 Terms and Conditions*; and, be it

Further Resolved, That scooter pilot study participants shall have the specific responsibility to enforce all operating regulations for dockless scooters, with failure to do so resulting in the immediate disqualification of that participant from further participation in the pilot study; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Department of Public Works shall base its determination of the level of scooter operation occurring on public sidewalks on periodic, systematic field counts of scooter

operations at various locations and times conducted by a consultant retained by the Department for the purpose of collecting this information, with the costs of the consultant's services to be borne by scooter pilot study participants and the details of the field observation program to be set forth in the *Intersection Count Scope of Services*; and, be it

Further Resolved, That, given public safety concerns related to the operation on scooters on public sidewalks, pilot study participants shall be prohibited from deploying and allowing new trip starts of scooters in Zone 1 if it is determined that more than 10% of their scooter operations in Zone 1 are occurring on public sidewalks as set forth in the *Intersection Count Scope of Services*; and, be it

Further Resolved, That, if it is determined that more than 10% of a participant's scooter operations in any Zone outside of Zone 1 are occurring on public sidewalks, pilot study participants shall notify the Department of efforts to be taken to reduced instances of sidewalk riding as set forth in the *Intersection Count Scope of Services*; and, be it

Further Resolved, That, if it is determined that more than 10% of a participant's scooter operations in any Zone outside of Zone 1 continues after additional efforts are made to reduce sidewalk riding, the Department has the option to prohibit deployment and new trip starts in applicable zones, as set forth in the *Intersection Count Scope of Services*; and, be it

Further Resolved, That this dockless scooter pilot study shall end on December 31, 2021, unless earlier terminated in accordance with the preceding "Further Resolved" clause or the *Dockless Scooter Pilot Study 2021* terms and conditions; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Department of Public Works shall submit a final report on the results and effectiveness of dockless scooters in the city after the end of the 2021 dockless scooter pilot study.

Department of Public Works
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