

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting: April 26, 2018

Item Number: 027

Transportation

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 14-9, (Traffic or Sidewalk Obstructions) to expand the types of acts that are prohibited; creating a City-wide services license; and declaring an emergency.

Lead Department	Austin Transportation
Fiscal Note	There is no fiscal impact.
Prior Council Action	On February 1, 2018, Council approved Resolution No. 20180201-059 authorizing the City Manager to establish a dockless bike share pilot program and to develop a permit process for privatized dockless bike share operations on a 10-1 vote with Council Member Troxclair voting against.
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Additional Backup Information:

This action asks Council to make the necessary amendments to Title 14-9 (*Traffic or Sidewalk Obstructions*), to maintain safety and order on the public right-of-way as it relates to the sale of goods, services, rentals or leases.

Council previously authorized development of a dockless bike-share program in Austin. One key

element of this system is the ability for mobility devices such as bicycles or electric-assist scooters to be stored on public right-of-way for personal mobility uses.

This amendment authorizes shared mobility services to occupy the public right-of-way through an established permitted process.

The rapid changes in the dockless mobility marketplace necessitates this action be brought to Council now. This action will assist the City in welcoming new mobility options while maintaining safety and order of the pedestrian realm.