

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: ELECTRIC SCOOTERS

DATE: June 22, 2022

Background

The City has received a request from Bird Rides, Inc. a stand-up electric scooter company to consider allowing the placement of e-scooters in Cottage Grove. Bird is seeking the City's permission to allow them to operate. We may have a representative from Bird Rides at the meeting to make a presentation about Bird E-Scooters.

There has been significant activity with cities around the state regarding the process of deploying and regulating operations of the e-scooters. Basically, there are two methods cities are using to address the regulatory concerns regarding the deployment of e-scooters: to adopt an agreement specific to Bird, either the MOU provided by Bird or a modified version agreement; or to adopt an ordinance and administrative rules that can regulate any provider and other concerns regarding e-scooters. A combination of the approaches could also be developed.

Attached to this memo is a copy of the MOU provided by Bird; The MOU approved by the City of Albany; the ordinance regarding Stand-up Electric Scooter Providers and Administrative Rules for Electric Scooters all from the City of Monmouth; a draft Stand-up Electric Scooter Business Operations Agreement; a draft ordinance regarding the Licensing and Regulation of Stand-up Electric Scooters and draft Administrative Rules for Stand-up Electric Scooters. The sample draft documents were prepared by our City Attorney for your consideration.


Staff is requesting Council's direction regarding stand-up electric scooters in the community.

Recommendation

Information and discussion item only. Staff will work with the City Attorney to prepare materials for the Council to consider at a future meeting.

Cost

No Cost



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