



Legislation Text

File #: 20-0598, **Version:** 1

Resolution to Approve an Interim Right-of-Way License Agreement with Spin, Inc., for the Operation of Electric Scooters in the City of Ann Arbor

Spin, Inc. (Spin) is the owner and operator of the Spin e-scooter service. This company has negotiated an agreement in good faith with both the City of Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan to operate in our community. Spin e-scooters have been in operation in Ann Arbor since April 2019 and this agreement would commence a second year of their operation in Ann Arbor.

Budget and Fiscal Impact: This license agreement will result in a minimum \$27,600.00 payment plus impoundment charges to the Major Streets Fund.

Prepared by: Raymond Hess, Transportation Manager

Reviewed by: Craig Hupy, Public Services Area Administrator

Approved by: Tom Crawford, Interim City Administrator

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor is one of the leading communities in the state in terms of multi-modal transportation with the most recent census showing that only 52% of Ann Arbor residents drive a single-occupant vehicle to work, much lower than the state-wide average of 83%;

Whereas, Providing mobility options to Ann Arbor residents is an important and necessary function of this government to help foster the continued adoption of transportation alternatives;

Whereas, Encouraging multi-modal transportation is a necessary and important tool for decreasing traffic congestion on our roads and increasing the viability of our downtown retail district;

Whereas, While encouraging multi-modal transportation, it is critically important to make every reasonable effort to ensure the proper and safe operation of scooters and other similar equipment on the public right-of-way; and

Whereas, It is also a necessary function of local government to permit use of the right-of-way to ensure that all commercial uses are not obstructive and contribute positively to the public's wellbeing;

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator and City Attorney may execute the interim operating license agreement with Spin, Inc. that is included with this resolution, with the City Attorney approving only as to form, may renew said license up to three times at the City Administrator's discretion, and may take such other actions and do such other things as is needed for or consistent with this resolution or the performance of the license.