Micro-Mobility Committee Meeting Notes January 31, 2020

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In attendance: Lisa Solomon, Molly Kleinman, Eli Cooper, John Fournier, Larry Keeler, Raymond Hess (via phone), Megan Rigney, Rofeal Daniels (Spin)

Eli Cooper lead the committee through an overview of data provided by Spin and prepared by Megan Rigney on e-scooter usage within the city. Committee members asked clarifying questions and asked for new or updated data, including trying to better capture parking at transit stops; recognizing some questions could be clarified or only answered with a user survey (e.g., trip replacements, transit "last mile" usage, multi-segment trips, etc.). Megan agreed to follow up with updates based on committee feedback. There was also support from the committee for following up in the future with a user survey to better answer questions not easily answered in the trip data.

John Fournier mentioned the recent renewal contract with Spin increased scooter cap to 300. Spin wants more. The City is currently only planning to work with one provider for this vehicle type. Lisa Solomon confirmed the University of Michigan's preference is currently to work solely with Spin, who have been accommodating and easy to work with. Committee members supported continuing to increase the cap especially if the intent is to continue with only one provider indefinitely.

Eli Cooper recommended the committee ask WATS to speak on their micromobility report that examined this issue from the County level. He also reports that ArborBike is again making good progress toward a launch with Shift as the operator using the old docked bikes and stations.

Community member (Dave, didn't catch last name) spoke and asked that as we learn more we consider how e-scooters contribute or detract from our A2Zero sustainability goals.

The committee hit its time limit and agreed to meet again in two weeks on February 14th at 9:30am.

John Fournier mentioned that in light of the progress of state legislation changes that we start fresh with the ordinance draft and come prepared with comments for the next meeting.

Raymond Hess is investigating whether we can get a more details on A2FixIt scooter parking complaints for review at the next meeting, including how many unique reporters there are per complaint.