



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	May 19, 2022
SUBJECT:	Release of the Commercial E-Scooter Pilot Request for Proposal Documents (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Brian Hollingworth Director, Transportation Planning and Parking Planning and Economic Development Department
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This update is to inform Councillors that the Request for Proposal for a commercial e-scooter operator is scheduled to be released on May 19, 2022. Following the award of contract, operators will have up-to ten weeks to deploy their fleet locally.

The Commercial E-Scooter Pilot Program was approved by City Council on August 13, 2021 (Report PED20134(b)). The Pilot will allow an operator to deploy e-scooters for an initial one-year term, with up-to three, one-year extensions, at the City's discretion.

As part of the approved Pilot framework, all e-scooters are required to have a "lock-to" mechanism that requires them to be attached to a bike rack, or similar object, at the end of the trip. They must also be geofenced within the backend system to slow the e-scooter to a stop if they enter a non-permitted area, and have an audible warning system to alert pedestrians of their presence if they enter a non-permitted area.

The commercial operator will be required to pay an annual administration fee, and annual per trip and per device fees. The funds will support the operating offset, equity programs through the Everyone Rides Initiative (ERI), and to cover the administrative costs of the program.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact Peter Topalovic, Program Manager - Sustainable Mobility at (905) 546-2424 Ext. 5129 or by email at Peter.Topalovic@hamilton.ca.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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