



SHARED SCOOTER SYSTEM PILOT PROGRAM – ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS



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BACKGROUND

December 14, 2021 – City Council approved shared scooter system pilot program

March 18, 2021 – Historic Railroad Square Assoc

March 17, 2021 – Downtown Action Organization

December 3, 2020 – Downtown Subcommittee

November 10, 2020 – City Council direction to develop a one-year pilot program

BACKGROUND

In 1996 and 2001, the City Council adopted ordinances 3249 and 3516, respectively prohibiting skating activities and scooters on sidewalks and streets within the specified downtown area, the specified Railroad Square area, in shopping centers and other specified areas of public property.

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The project includes an amendment to the Santa Rosa Health and Safety Code Chapter 9-22 to allow for the shared scooter system pilot program approved by the City Council on December 14, 2021.

The operations of the shared scooter system pilot program would be consistent with state law.

AMENDMENTS

Chapter 9-22. The revisions include:

- Adding a sub-section exempting scooters from prohibition during the pilot program to operate on public streets, public alleys, and public gutters - 9-22.020 (D) Prohibition. These devices will still be prohibited on sidewalks per the existing ordinance;
- Broadening scooter definition to include motorized scooters - 9-22.040(D) Definitions

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council introduce an ordinance to amend City Code Chapter 9-22 -Bicycles, Skateboards, Roller Skates, In-Line Skates, and Similar Devices to allow scooters to operate on public streets, public alleys, and public gutters during the City Council approved shared scooter system pilot program.

QUESTIONS