

Amber Noworatzky

From: Tim Boldt
Sent: Sunday, November 3, 2024 5:11 AM
To: Amber Noworatzky
Subject: Fwd: External: Motorized vehicles on sidewalks

Good morning Amber,

Can you have this added to the agenda for our next meeting. At least as a discussion item. Circulate this to the group for feedback. I too, have seen some reckless operators on these E-bikes.

Thank you
Tim

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Good Morning Alder Boldt,

With the growing popularity of e-bikes (electric-assist bicycles), I see a new problem arising that we should probably address before an incident occurs.

It is my understanding that bicycles are allowed to be operated on city sidewalks (outside the downtown area), but after witnessing a number of close calls by individuals riding e-bikes at inappropriately high speeds on the sidewalk, I believe it's time to put in place an ordinance to keep motorized scooters and bicycles off of the city sidewalks city-wide.

I would respectfully ask that the Public Safety Committee work with the Police Department to craft an ordinance which would remove these motorized vehicles from the sidewalk, while still allowing low speed mobility devices (motorized wheelchairs and mobility scooters) to remain.

I would also like to offer my thoughts on this and be more than willing to participate in any discussion on this subject.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

John

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John Brunner

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