



Legislation Text

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TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

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SUBJECT:

Consideration Of Ordinance 2019-56, An Ordinance To Amend Title 16, Chapter 1 Of The City Of Franklin Municipal Code Prohibiting On-Demand Electric Scooters. (WS 2/25/20; BOMA 3/10/20, 8-0) SECOND AND FINAL READING

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information to the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) concerning an ordinance to prohibit on-demand electric scooters.

Background

Staff presented a potential electric scooter pilot program to the BOMA work session on November 26th, 2019. The BOMA decided not to pursue additional research regarding an electric scooter pilot program. Through this discussion, it became apparent that the Board was opposed to a company operating a scooter rental operation. In reviewing the City's existing ordinances, it was determined that there was no prohibition of a company starting an on-demand scooter service on Franklin streets and rights-of-way. Therefore, City staff drafted an ordinance to prohibit the operation of on-demand scooter services in the City of Franklin. This ordinance would not prohibit an individual from owning or operating an electric scooter.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact at this time. If this ordinance is passed, there will be a fine of up to \$50 per on-demand electric scooter per day if found within the City of Franklin.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approving the ordinance to prohibit on-demand electric scooters in the City of Franklin.