

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council meeting on: June 12, 2019

To: Mayor and Town Council

From: Josh Martin, Director of Planning, Zoning and Building

Re: Proposed Ordinances Prohibiting Docking and Storage Mobility Stations for Shared Bicycles and Dockless Bicycles in the Town.
Ordinance No. 18-2019

Date: May 29, 2019

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Town Council approve Ordinance No. 18-2019 on second reading.

BACKGROUND

The Town Council, at its October 10, 2018 meeting, approved an emergency ordinance that created a moratorium on the issuance of permits or approvals for the sharing of bicycles, scooters and/or other personal transportation vehicles. On March 29, 2019, that moratorium was extended by emergency ordinance for an additional 90 days in order to provide time for staff and the Planning and Zoning Commission to examine and make a recommendation to the Town Council on possible zoning regulations.

On February 19, 2019, the Planning and Zoning Commission made a recommendation to the Town Council to prohibit shared scooters, but did not make a recommendation on shared bicycles. On April 10, 2019, the Town Council approved on first reading Ordinance No. 10-2019, amending Chapter 134, Zoning, to prohibit docking and storage mobility stations for shared scooters on private or public property. The Council also approved Ordinance No. 11-2019 amending Chapter 106, Streets, Sidewalks and other Public Places, making it unlawful to dock, store or park motorized or non-motorized shared scooters on any public or private streets or sidewalks in the Town. In April, Council also directed staff to prepare ordinance(s) that would also prohibit shared bicycles and dockless bicycles similar to how shared scooters were being prohibited.

There are two ordinances necessary to prohibit shared bicycles and dockless bicycle in the Town. Ordinance No. 17-2019, which amends Chapter 134, ZONING, among other things, prohibits shared bicycles and dockless bicycles on public or private property. That ordinance is being considered at the May 15th Local Planning Agency and Council meetings. The attached Ordinance No. 18-2019 modifies Chapter 106, STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER

PUBLIC PLACES, to prohibit shared bicycles and dockless bicycles on public and private streets and sidewalks in the Town.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

Ordinance No. 18-2019 has been approved by Town Attorney John C. Randolph for legal form and sufficiency.

cc: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager
Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager
John C. Randolph, Town Attorney
Paul Castro, Zoning Manager