



STAFF REPORT

AGENDA NO:

MEETING DATE: July 1, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

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Subject: Discussion of Regulations Regarding Micromobility Devices

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council receive the staff report regarding micromobility devices and provide direction regarding possible regulations.

BACKGROUND

At the May 6, 2024 City Council meeting, Mayor Colson and Councilmember Pappajohn requested a Future Agenda item regarding regulations governing micromobility devices. This presentation is in response to that request.

DISCUSSION

Micromobility devices are defined by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) as “[a]ny small, low-speed, human or electric-powered transportation device, including bicycles, scooters, electric-assist bicycles (e-bikes), electric scooters (e-scooters), and other small, lightweight, wheeled conveyances.” These devices can be powered manually, by electric motor, or through a combination of both. Some micromobility devices are currently regulated by the state Vehicle Code and/or the Burlingame Municipal Code.

Please refer to the Exhibit for a summary of micromobility devices. The summary includes:

- Definition of the device
- State regulations, if any
- City regulations, if any

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact in considering regulations. Further fiscal impact will be analyzed based on the direction from Council.

Exhibit:

- Summary of micromobility devices and current regulations