



Bike and Scooter Share Permit

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Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee
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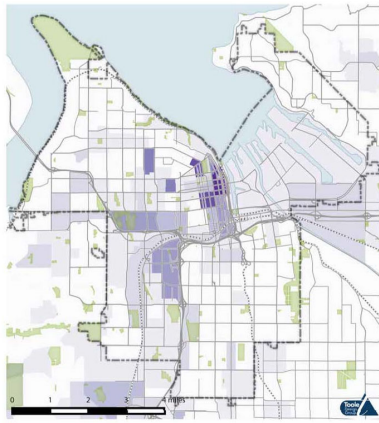


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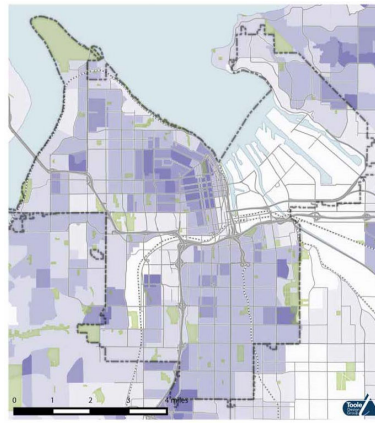


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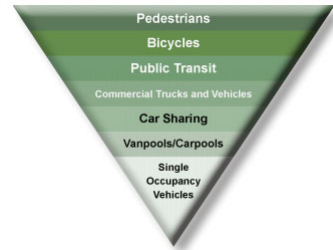
BACKGROUND - GOALS



Employment Density



Population Density



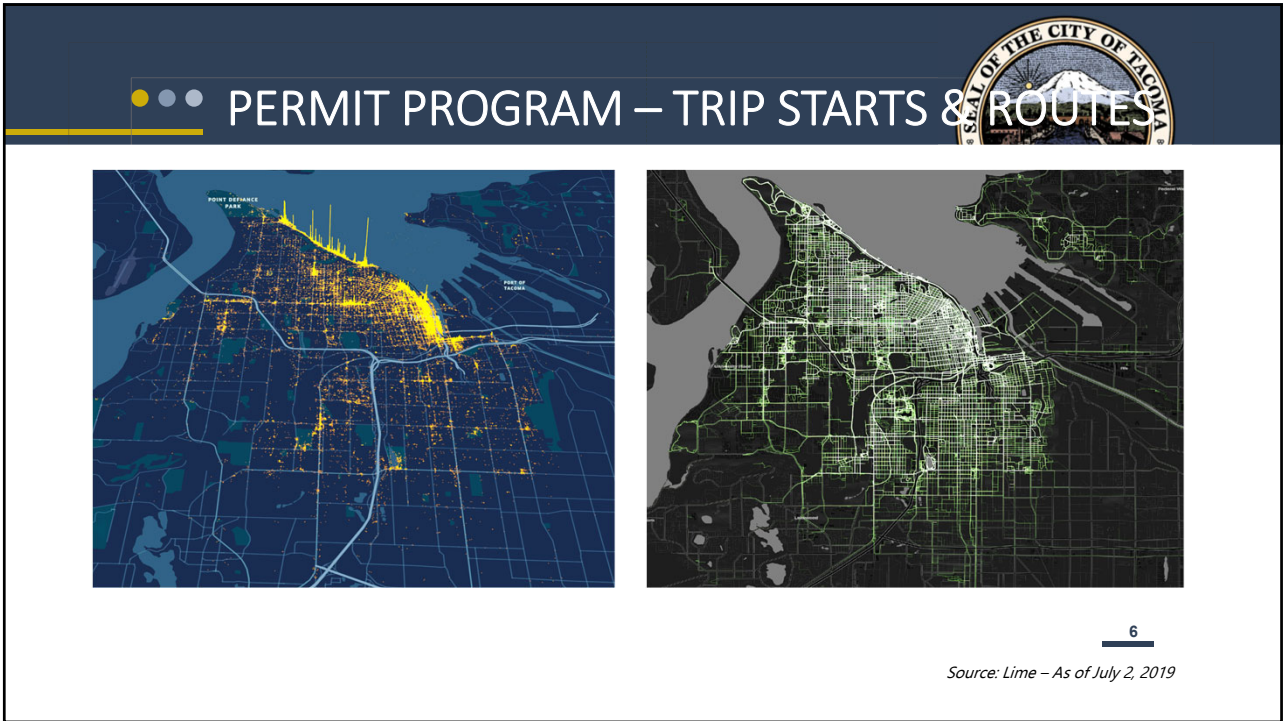
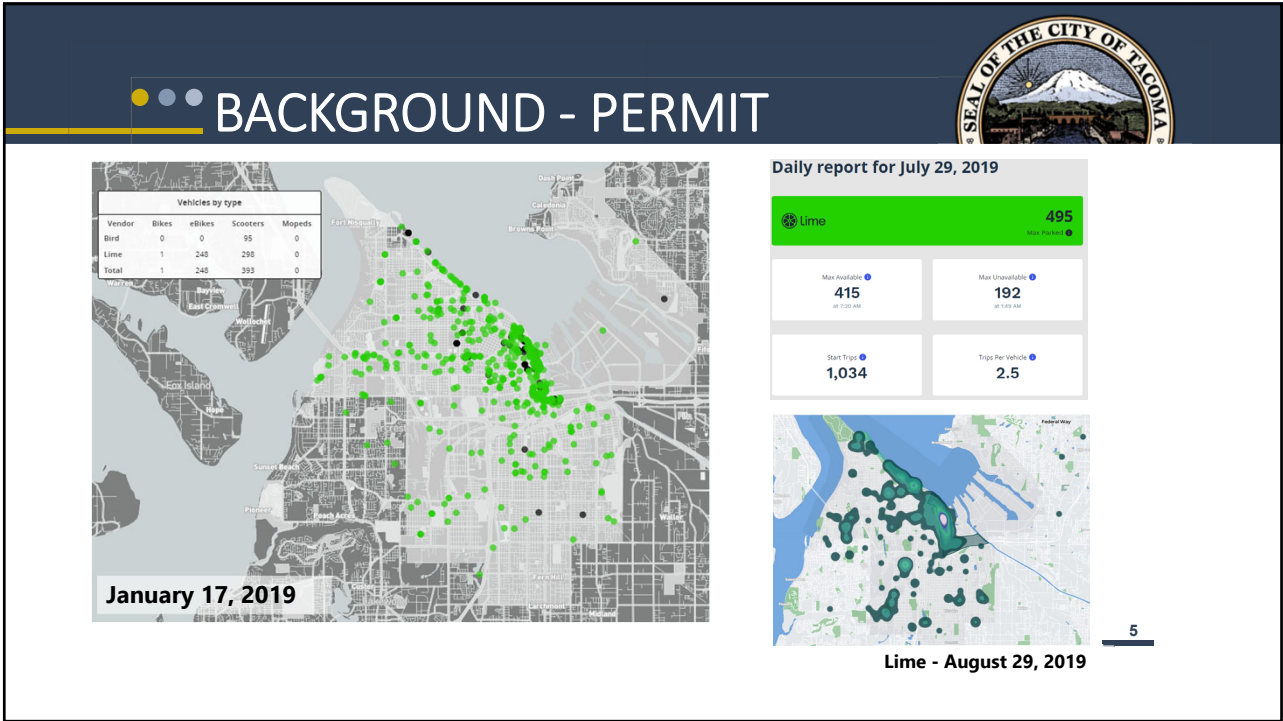
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BACKGROUND – STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE



- Tacoma Police Department
- Metro Parks Tacoma
- Tacoma Pierce County Health Department
- Pierce Transit
- Tacoma Police Department
- Public Works Department
- Downtown on the Go
- Puyallup Watershed Initiative ATCOI
- Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber
- University of Washington Tacoma

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ISSUES – FEEDBACK



"great for tourism"

"I use them most for **getting home** in south end...**after buses stop running** which has been a life saver..."



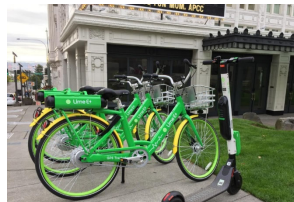
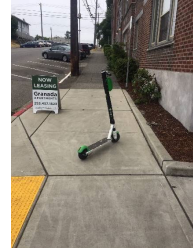
"In general, we support [scooters] in Tacoma. It **helps people get around without a car.**"

The concern I have is that scooters travel **much faster than people walking** on the sidewalk."



"People are leaving them where ever and they are creating a **tripping hazard**"

"e-bikes **blocking curb ramp** and push buttons"



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ISSUES - PROGRAM EVALUATION



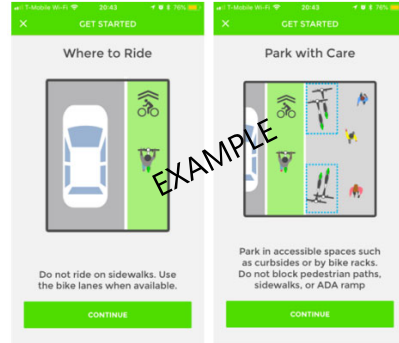
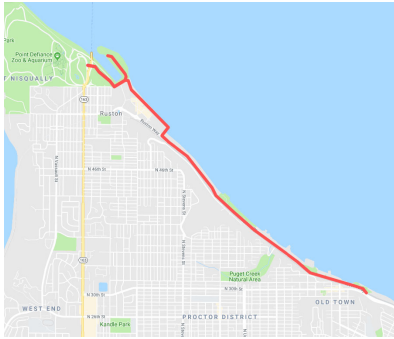
- Not allowed on sidewalks in business districts
– TMC 11.05.040/WAC 308-330-555
- Subject to all rights and responsibilities of a bicycle
– RCW 46.04.169; RCW 46.61.755
- Prohibited in parks
– TMC 8.27.200(A)(2)
- Helmet requirement not applicable



- Conflicting laws:
 - Can be operated on roadways, shoulders, sidewalks, alleys; not bike lanes
– TMC 11.06.030(B)
 - Cannot be operated on sidewalk unless no alternative. May be operated in shared use path or bike lane.
– RCW 43.04.169 (SB 6434)
- Helmet is required
– TMC 11.06.030(D)

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NEXT STEPS



- Now – December 2019 - Agency Stakeholder Committee Review
 - Conditions – speed, parking, distribution
 - Cost
 - Fleet limits
- September 30, 2019 - Pilot program permit expires
- November 2019 - Draft program to IPS
- December 2019 - Request for Proposals
- Early 2020 – Code Changes

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