

# Overview of Shared Micromobility in Kelowna

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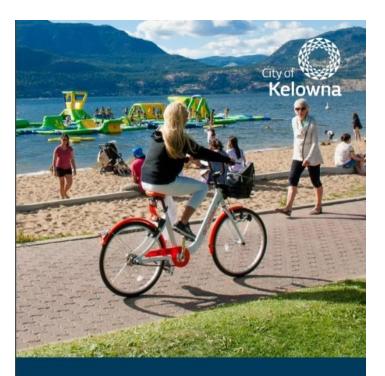


#### Bikeshare (Micromobility) Permit Program

Permit holders granted the ability to use the public right of way

After 1 year:

- 5 companies hold permits
- 3 vehicles types permitted to be delivered as a shared service
  - E-bike, e-moped and e-scooter



Bikeshare Permit Program

Application Process for Operators – Version 1.1

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#### Implications of Restricting E-scooters on the Waterfront Walkway

#### ► Overview:

- Pedestrian safety
- Waterfront Walkway's role in the bicycle network
- Approach to new vehicle types
- ► Geofencing: limitations and safety
- Potential and additional actions for council consideration





#### Pedestrian Safety

- Factual and experiential safety concerns
- Shared e-scooters are just as safe as bicycles
- No injuries reported related to shared e-scooter use in Kelowna
- 99% of pedestrian injuries linked to crashes with cars and trucks in Kelowna





**Safe Micromobility** 



Corporate Partnership Board Report



#### Waterfront Walkway's Role in the Bike Network

- Assessment derived from how vehicles similar to e-scooters use the Waterfront Walkway
- Strong reliance on the Waterfront Walkway as the spine for the bicycle network
- Only north-south continuous bicycle facility of any kind across downtown Kelowna

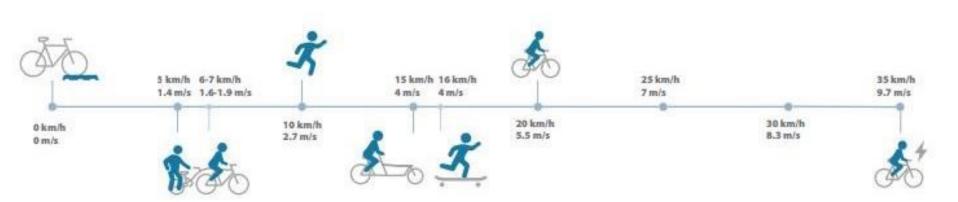




#### Regulating New Vehicle Types

Flexible to new vehicle types

- Group similar vehicles together
  - Weight
  - Speed
  - Operating Envelope

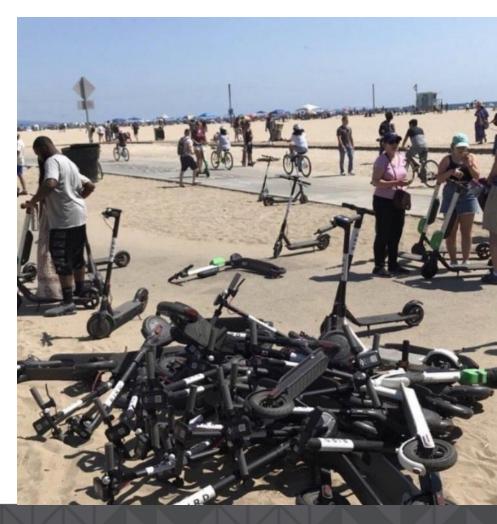




#### Geofencing: Limitations and Safety

What is geofencing?

- Learnings from 2019 about geofencing
- Best practices for geofencing
  - Mitigating public disorder and safety challenges





#### **Potential Actions**

- 1. Implement a low-speed zone for shared e-scooters on the Waterfront Walkway and temporary Bernard closure
  - ▶ 10 km/h digital speed limit
  - Monitor impacts
- 2. Ban e-scooters from the Waterfront Walkway
  - Amend the Parks and Public Spaces Bylaw
  - Potential to impair the viability of shared e-scooters
  - Potential to create safety and public disorder challenges





#### Additional Actions

- 1. Improve In-App Education
- 2. Improve Rider Education in Person
- 3. Educational Campaign Related to E-scooter Education
- 4. Educational Campaign Related to Shared Pathways



Before you hop on, know the rules of the road.

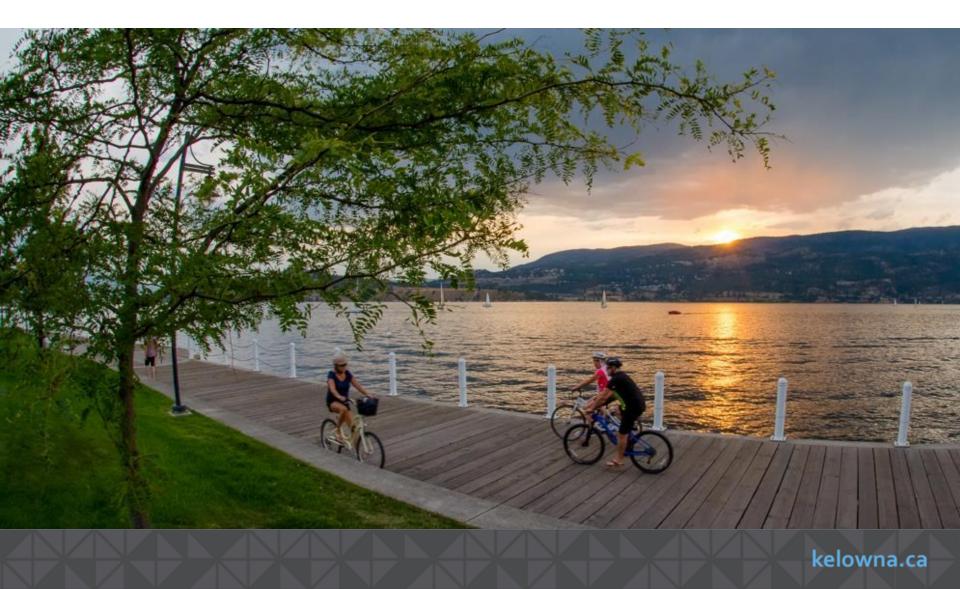
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- Wear a helmet. State law requires it.
- Sidewalk riding is prohibited. Ride in the bicycle lane or vehicle lane.
- Yield to people walking, biking and people with disabilities.
- Don't ride in Portland Parks.
- Don't ride while under the influence of intoxicants. It's against the law and may result in a DUII.
- · One person per scooter.
- Don't bring scooters on buses, MAX, and Streetcar.
- Park scooters with care. On the sidewalk, close to the curb. Don't block the sidewalk, bike lane, or vehicle lanes.

For More Information: 503-823-7483 E-scooter@portlandoregon.gov portlandoregon.gov/transportation/e-scooter



#### Other Considerations

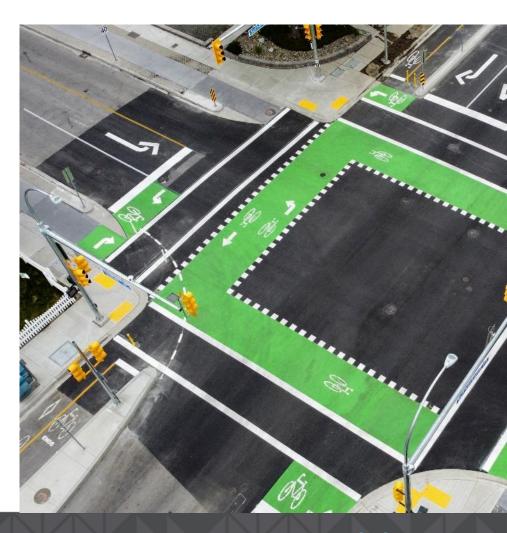




#### Data Driven Decision Making

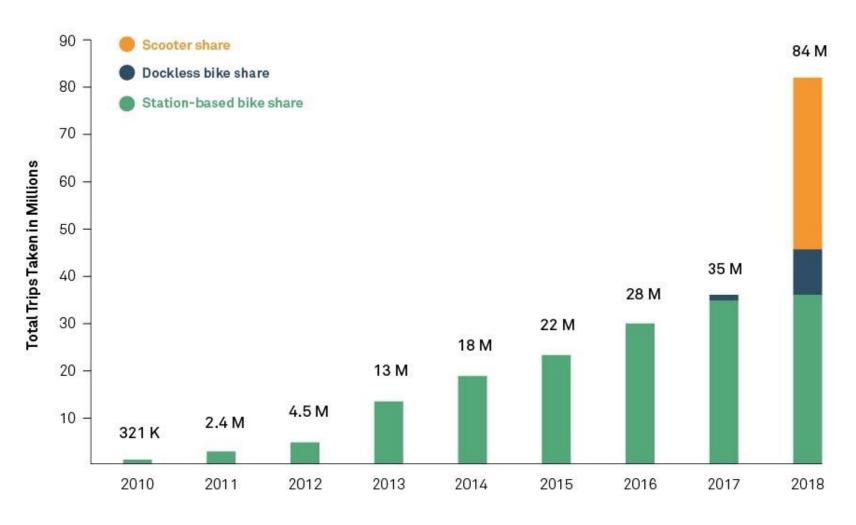
Data requirements

- Integration with third-party applications
- Open Mobility Foundation membership





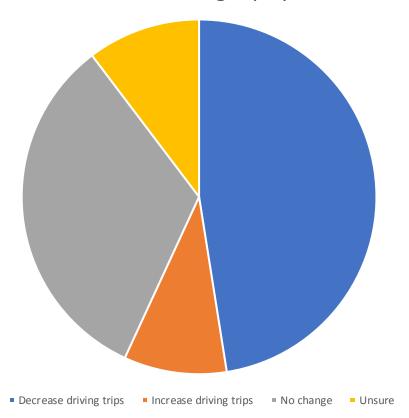
#### Potential for Pedal Bikeshare





#### Shared E-scooter User's Perspective

Would having shared e-scooters available citywide increase or decrease the number of driving trips you make?





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#### Conclusion

- Potential Actions for council consideration
- Additional Actions related to educating riders and the public
- Provincial MVA Pilot Project
- Potential to allow e-scooters to be ridden like bicycles
- Monitoring and adapting based on public health requirements for COVID-19
- Reconstructing much of the Waterfront Walkway within City Park
  First phase slated for completion in 2021

### Questions



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