

Date: December 7, 2021

To:

Councilmember David Mann

From:

Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor

Subject:

Emergency Ordinance – e-Scooter Franchise and Excise Tax (C VERSION)

Per your request, transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

MODIFYING the provisions of Title VII, "Business Regulations," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by ORDAINING new Chapter 811, "e-Scooter Rental Franchises," and AMENDING Section 1501-9, "Class D Civil Offenses," of Title XV, "Code Compliance and Hearings," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code to establish e-scooter rental franchises for the rental of e-scooters in the City of Cincinnati.

This C version includes a new provision requiring e-scooter companies to provide for \$10,000 in insurance per customer/operator for third-party damages arising out of customer/operator accidents. The new provision is contained in Section 811-07(b). Third parties could file claims for damages under such a policy in situations where the e-scooter company is itself not directly responsible for the accident. (If the e-scooter company were responsible, it would have separate liability and insurance under the terms of the franchise.)

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