Your Community Impact Statement has been successfully submitted to City Council and Committees.

If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at NCSupport@lacity.org.

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Mayor Eric Garcetti & Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: CIS in support of CF 17-1125 Dockless Bike Share Systems / Pilot Program

The Central Hollywood Neighborhood council represents 17,000 resident stakeholders, and thousands more who own property and conduct business within our boundaries.

Automobile traffic is an increasing concern for stakeholders of CHNC. Negative health impacts from pollution, threats to public safety from accidents, a decrease in quality of life caused by increased congestion, and the growing urgency needed to address anthropocentric climate change all demand that the city invest in affordable modes of alternative transportation that integrate with our existing and expanding public transit options.

City Council and LADOT recently approved and developed a pilot program and regulations for shareable dockless vehicles, one example of such a mode of transit. While we recognize the growing demand for such vehicles and their increased presence in our community, CHNC urges the city to thoughtfully address concerns regarding the safe and equitable operation of shareable dockless scooters and bicycles.

We support regulations that encourage responsible use and discourage reckless behavior while operating these vehicles. Conditions recommended by the the board include that scooters be limited to 1 rider per vehicle, a speed limit of no more than 15 MPH be enforced, no riding under the influence of drugs or alcohol in accordance with similar vehicle operation laws, the employment of geofencing to restrict areas of operation, deployment and user parking with community input, a requirement that users have a driver’s license, enforcement of relevant laws regarding “hands free” operation of cell phones, applications operated by scooter rental companies require a safety tutorial and quiz, and to employ a system of rider ratings to inhibit violations of city regulations with fines, increased cost of operation or both.

As Central Hollywood is a hub for tourist activity, entertainment and nightlife, we stand firmly in favor of creating and maintaining a community that is safe and welcoming to pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists alike. Dockless scooters can play a key role in making our neighborhood accessible and navigable to local residents while decreasing dependence on automobiles. We seek to continue a dialogue with both the city and good faith operators to achieve this end.