



Hello Dockless Vehicle Stakeholders,

The Baltimore City Department of Transportation (BCDOT) has switched the Dockless Vehicle Committee Meetings to a quarterly schedule. During off-months, you can expect an email update in lieu of a meeting! If you would like to be removed from this list, please respond directly and you will no longer receive these emails or DVC meeting invites.

Here is your monthly round-up of [announcements](#), [data](#) updates, and a look [ahead](#). If you have a data request for future updates, please respond directly to this email.

Announcements:

- **New vehicles hit Baltimore City streets!** At the beginning to 2022, Lime updated their entire e-scooter fleet to vehicles with larger wheels to comply with the new Baltimore City vehicle standards. Baltimore was also one of the first cities where Link launched seated scooters, read about them [here](#) and watch the news coverage [here](#).
- **Adaptive Vehicles coming to Baltimore coming soon!** Both Lime and Link have been approved to launch adaptive vehicles for people who are not comfortable or able to ride standard e-scooters. These vehicles, such as powered tricycles and wheel chair adaptors, will be made available to people living with disabilities through the Mayor's Commission on Disabilities. Rentals will be free for a 24-hour period for individuals who need the accommodation. Link's fleet is ready to roll out and rental information is attached. Stay tuned to learn more about the launch event this Spring!
- **Permit Rules and Regulation undergoing annual revision!** BCDOT is currently working on annual revisions to the Rules and Regulations (R&R). Following DVC conversations in 2021, the top changes under consideration include:
 - The number of permits issued and renewed
 - Vehicle standards, including weight limits and waterproofing requirements
 - Standard procedures to address users who violate riding or parking laws
 - Required data endpoints to help track vandalism

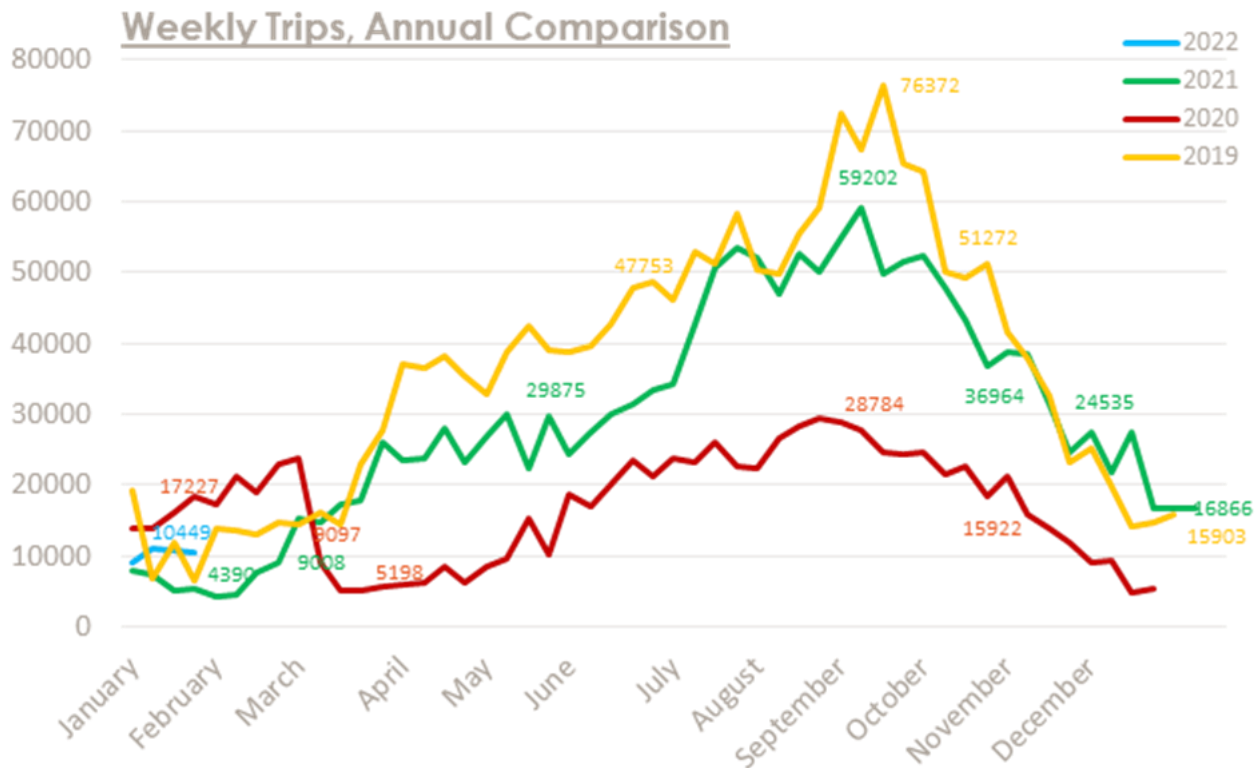
The full draft of changes is expected to be released in March for public comment, but you can respond here if there are other issues or changes you would recommend be addressed in the new R&R.

Older news:

- BCDOT released the Dockless Vehicle 6-month program update: [posted online here](#).
- Annual rider survey is live in mobile phone apps through March 6- open your apps and give us your feedback!
- MDOT MTA and BCDOT launching transit station survey at rail stations with corrals in March.

Data Updates:

- Weekly trips comparison:** Charted below are weekly trip counts from 2019 to the present. Following a strong recovery during the second half of 2021, we hope that trip numbers continue to rise in 2022 after we shake the winter weather!



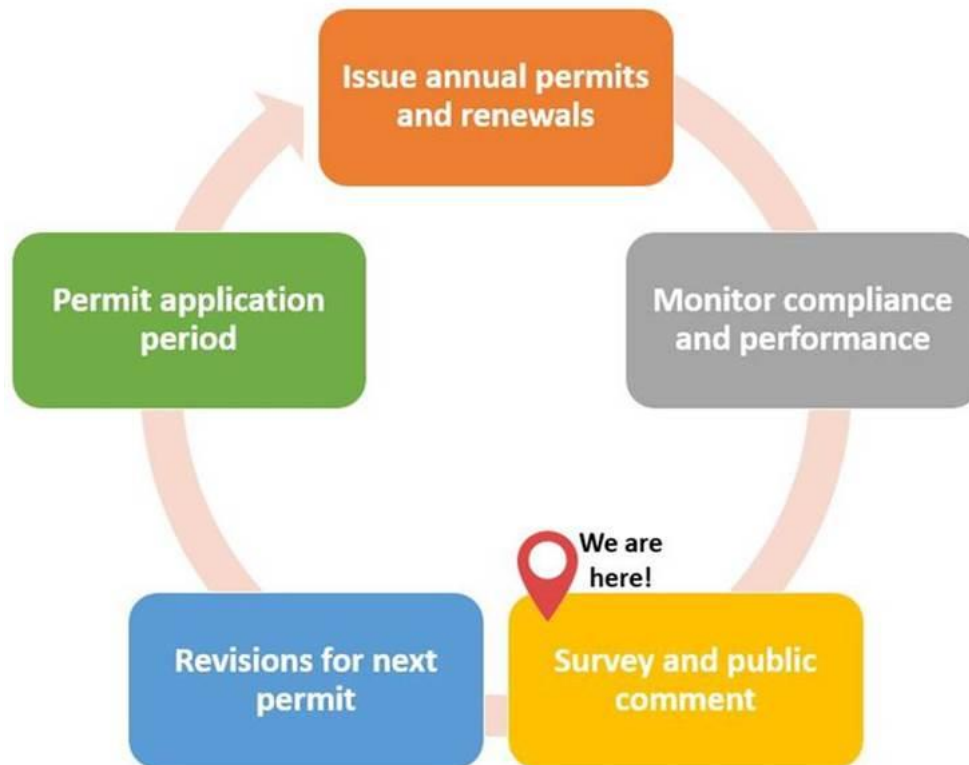
- Data Request:** A request was received to investigate the differences between trips taken on different vehicle types. Below is a summary of data for each vehicle type from July 1- December 31, 2021.

	Bicycles	E-scooters	Seated E-scooters*
Average daily vehicles available:	124	2803	150
Average trip duration:	13 min 21 seconds	15 min 17 seconds	16-18 minutes
Average trips per vehicle per day:	1.0	2.0	n/a

*Launched in December 2021, data from December 2021 only

- Reminder:** You can always view the spatial policies for the program here: <https://maps.populus.ai/baltimore/policies>

Looking Ahead:



- January 17- March 5 – Rider survey available through mobile apps
- March 15- April 15 – Survey results preview & Rules and Regulations to be released for Public Comment Period
- April 12 – DVC Quarterly meeting with survey results review and R&R comment session
- April 30 – Permit renewal(s) to be announced
- May 1 -20 – Anticipated permit application period
- July 1 – New permit launches
- TBD Spring 2022 – Link and Lime launch adaptive vehicle rentals

Please respond here or email dot-community@baltimorecity.gov with any requests, including:

- Data requests – Request trip data for a specific place or time period
- Events support requests – Request vehicles be deployed, an area is swept after an event, or for temporary parking zones
- Educational event request –If you’re hosting an event, you can request a company attends with information about learning to ride and signing up for different plans