

Dockless Vehicle Committee-- Minutes from: 1/15/2019

Members present:

Meg Young, DOT
Theo Ngongang, DOT
Tereina Galloway, DOT
Jordan Ogbonna, DOT
Terrence Jennings, Mayor's Office
Josh Wilson, Mayor's Office
Lt. Steve Olson, Baltimore Police Department
Victor Tervalá, Law Dept
Taylor LaFave, Parking Authority of Baltimore City
Sharonda Huffman, Office of Civil Rights
Hugh Scoggins, Office of Civil Rights
Jamie Richardson, MDOT MTA
Jed Weeks, Bikemore
Stephen Deline, Lime
Sergio Silvestre, Lime
Robert Gardner, Lime
Michael Kurlancheek, Lime
Rick Abbruzzesse, KO Public Affairs
Nick Valentino, JUMP
Dylan Shapiro, Spin
Ben Hyman, Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore
Ethan Hasiuk, Kittelson and Associates
Sean Laffery, Kittelson and Associates

Members reviewed the revised timeline for the committee and the Dockless permit moving forward. The committee will soon start discussing Rules and Regulations revisions. Monthly meetings focus on reviewing data, reporting concerns, and providing feedback to DOT about program support.

Members reviewed ridership and deployment data, noting that ridership has slowed as the weather gets colder. Ridership numbers before and after the install of the bike facility on Covington Street were shown, showing a growing in ridership compared to adjacent streets. Findings like these validate spending permit fees on infrastructure. The committee was also updated on other projects: vehicle inspections, parking response checks, and new reporting projects.

The Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore shared the feedback of the first 2 weeks of using block by block software to report scooter related incidences. Thus far response has been fast and all companies are happy to have the extra reporting. The Baltimore Police Inner Harbor Unit said the reporting has helped their staff capacity to focus on other issues.

The Office of Civil Rights presented to the group the plans for a PSA focused on sharing the road and being courteous to others. One attendee pointed out incidences of non-users purposely sabotaging scooter parking caught on video.

The committee discussed the user survey, which will be pushed back until late February to coincide with higher ridership. The final survey questions were presented so members can email and additional comments.

The committee discussed the monthly educational messaging. The group recommended that February's safety messaging focus on following traffic laws. The next meeting date was set for 2/12/20.