

Policy Briefing Summary

City Council



Regarding:	Resolution to Appropriate \$450,707 in Dockless Mobility Revenue for Bicycle Programming (2nd reading)
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Issue

Revenues from the Dockless Mobility Permit Program have been held aside for use for bicycle infrastructure and programming. However, these funds were never appropriated to a specific account. Revenues collected to-date from the Dockless Mobility Permit Program total \$410,707. Spending on bicycle infrastructure and programming has previously been funded in the Capital Improvement Plan through the Bicycle Infrastructure account. This account receives bonded revenues, which should be spent on infrastructure and assets only. To provide funding for bicycle programs, like Bike Month programming and promotion, updates to BikeCville.com, helmet giveaways for CCS students, and supporting a regional bike and pedestrian counter system, staff is recommending the creation of a new account, Bicycle Programming. Revenues from the Dockless Mobility Permit Program would be assigned to this account going forward. From the \$410,706.80 in existing revenues, a portion (\$184,909) would be assigned to the Bicycle Infrastructure account to cover expenses incurred since the beginning of the Dockless Mobility Permit Program, in 2019. The remaining revenues (\$225,798) would be assigned to the new Bicycle Programming account.

Background / Rule

Since 2019, the Dockless Mobility Permit Program has created \$410,707. Prior to 2023, the City's permit regulations required additional per-vehicle fees and higher per-ride fees, earning an average of \$58,000 per year. With changes to the permit regulations adopted in 2023, revenues have lowered to \$41,327 in 2024 and \$42,128 in 2025. Assuming consistent demand and continued service from the current provider, Veo, staff would anticipate the City would continue to see revenues from this program consistent with more recent years. Staff estimates \$40,000 will be collected for FY 2027.

While the Dockless Mobility Permit pilot did identify the revenues from the program as being dedicated to bicycle infrastructure and programming, these revenues were never specifically appropriated to any budget for bicycle infrastructure. The Dockless Mobility Permit Revenues were also not appropriated to the general fund. Bicycle infrastructure and programs have, since the initial hiring of a bicycle and pedestrian coordinator in 2012, been funded using the Bicycle Infrastructure CIP account. However, the revenues from this account are bonded, which means they should be used for infrastructure and assets, and not programming needs.

Analysis

Rather than review all past purchase orders to determine which past expenses should be funded with bonded revenues and which should be funded with the Dockless Mobility Permit Program revenues, staff summarized all expenses for the Bicycle Infrastructure account and recommends that the full amount of these expenses (\$184,909) be appropriated from the Dockless Mobility Permit Program revenues to the balance of the Bicycle Infrastructure CIP account. These expenses include \$59,909 in purchases through the account, as well as re-appropriations of \$75,000 in 2025 and \$50,000 in 2026 of

funds to the E-bike Voucher Program account. Future uses of this account would be restricted to bicycle infrastructure, including implementation of protected bicycle facilities, long-term and short-term bicycle parking, and expansion of the city's school bike fleet. The remaining \$225,798 would be appropriated into the new Bicycle Programming CIP account. These funds would be used for programming associated with events like Bike Month and e-bike demonstrations, community resources like helmet giveaways for City students and updates to BikeCville.com, and supporting the development of a regional bicycle and pedestrian counter system. Revenues from the Dockless Mobility Permit Program would continue to support this new account and no additional funding requests would be anticipated outside that revenue source.

Financial Impact

This action seeks to appropriate \$450,707 in dockless mobility permit revenue collected in prior years and \$40,000 anticipated to be collected in FY 2027. \$265,798 will be appropriated to a new Bicycle Programming account and \$184,909 will be appropriated to Bicycle Infrastructure account. The funds will be used to support bicycle programming and ensure that the City is following best practices in the use of bonded revenues. No impacts to the City's general fund or capital budget revenues are anticipated from this action.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the creation of the Bicycle Programming CIP account, the appropriation of existing Dockless Mobility Permit Program revenues to the Bicycle Infrastructure account and this new Bicycle Programming account, and the continued future appropriation of Dockless Mobility Permit Program revenues to the new Bicycle Programming account.

Recommended Motion (if Applicable)

Attachments

1. Resolution to Appropriate \$450,707 in Dockless Mobility Revenue