



**City of Coral Gables  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
July 10, 2018**

**ITEM TITLE:**

**EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:**

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 74 -TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE IN ORDER TO ADDRESS UNAUTHORIZED OPERATION OF SHARED MOBILITY DEVICE PROGRAMS WITHIN THE CITY**

(Sponsored by Mayor Valdés-Fauli)

**BRIEF HISTORY:**

In recent weeks there has recently been an influx of dockless bicycles and motorized/e- scooters within the City, and many of these devices are being left on City right-of-way, and City sidewalks, blocking pedestrian access and creating public safety hazards.

The companies operating these shared mobility device programs have been operating within the City without prior approval or authorization.

Given the proliferation of devices left throughout the City, the City was required to issue cease and desist letters earlier this month to two companies whose motorized/e-scooters were deployed and abandoned on City right-of-way and private property throughout the City.

The City has received numerous complaints about devices abandoned on private property and on City right-of-way. And abandoned or improperly deployed shared mobility devices can impede safe use of the City right-of-way and sidewalks, and create violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The proliferation of deployed and abandoned shared mobility devices throughout the City has created a public safety emergency requiring the City to act.

The City is working to develop a pilot program for shared motorized/ e-scooters and bicycles within the City and is developing regulations regarding the operation of shared mobility device programs within the City,

Given the emergency circumstances outlined above, the City will not allow operation of shared mobility device programs within the City unless those devices are in the City pursuant to an executed memorandum of understanding with the City, or at a later date if the City has provided a process for operators to seek approval from the City to deploy shared mobility devices within the City and operators have such approval.

**1. Proposed Emergency Ordinance**