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Transportation Services

Cargo Power-Assisted Bicycles (E-Cargo Bike) Pilot Project

ACS2021-TSD-TRF-0003

City Wide

Report Recommendations

That Transportation Committee recommend that City Council:

- 1. Approve the Cargo Power-Assisted Bicycles (E-Cargo Bike) Pilot Project, as detailed in this report;**
- 2. Approve the proposed E-cargo Bike By-law in the form attached as Document 1 and as outlined in this report;**
- 3. Approve the proposed amendments to the Licensing By-law No. 2002-189, as amended, and the relevant Schedule to the by-law, as described in Document 2 and as outlined in this report; and**
- 4. Direct staff to report back to Transportation Committee with an information report in 2024 outlining the results of the pilot project up to the end of 2023.**

The Committee received a detailed slide presentation from Omar Choudhry, Project Lead, Transportation System Management, Transportation Services. A copy of which is held on file with the Office of the City Clerk. Nazgol Namazi, Associate Legal Counsel, Innovative Client Services Department was also present and responded to questions.

Prior to receiving the delegation, Councillor M. Luloff, Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) Liaison, read a submission from the AAC to the Committee.

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Érinn Cunningham, President, Bike Ottawa spoke in support of the staff report, however noted flaws in the Provincial framework expressing concerns with on street parking, parking at pedestrian malls and the weight threshold.

Following questions to staff, the Committee CARRIED the report recommendation as presented with the following direction to staff:

Direction to Staff

That Staff be directed to work with interested Councillors, Bike Ottawa and other stakeholders towards formally submitting concerns to the Province around some of the inconsistencies with how E-Cargo cargo bikes are expected to be used, as well as to the Federal Government on the lack of national standards for E-Cargo bikes.