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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2022-373

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Vice President Freeman

Date of Introduction: May 10, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: JWC, NCSPHS, TEU, F

Date of Analysis: May 10, 2022

Type of Action: Ordinance Code amendment

Bill Summary: This bill amends Chapter 235 (Dockless Mobility Programs), *Ordinance Code* to eliminate "pilot program" language. The bill also amends the number of permitted operators from 6 to 2, with permits effective for two years; limits the number of dockless units in each corral to a maximum of 50% of the square footage of the Corral with a minimum of 1-foot separation between each; limits the size of each operators' fleet to 200 units, with an additional 100 to be used temporarily for City events with DIA approval; increases the initial permit filing fee to \$2500, renewal fee to \$2500, and annual fee to \$21,900 (0.30/max. authorized Unit/day).

Background Information: In March of 2021, the City of Jacksonville launched a one-year pilot program for escooters, e-bicycles and dockless bicycles Downtown. The rentable electric scooters travel at a maximum speed of around 15 mph, can be rented using smartphone apps from each vendor to use for travel throughout the Dockless Mobility Zone which includes central business district, the Sports and Entertainment district, the Church and Cathedral districts, and a small portion of LaVilla directly surrounding the new Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center. The pilot program has been determined to be successful, so this legislation allows the Dockless Mobility Program to continue permanently.

Policy Impact Area: Dockless Mobility Program

Fiscal Impact: No direct cost to the City, undetermined revenue from operator permit fees

Analyst: Hampsey

