# BIKE SHARE PERMIT APPLICATION SPECIAL CONDITIONS

## Safety

Requirement S1: All bicycles used in systems issued a permit under this pilot program shall meet the standards outlined in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under Title 16, Chapter II, Subchapter C, Part 1512—Requirements for Bicycles. Additionally, permitted systems shall meet the safety standards outlined in ISO 43.150—Cycles, Subsection 4210.

Requirement S2: All bicycles shall meet the California Vehicle Code (CVC) requirements for brakes, seats, lights, and reflectors, described in CVC 21201(a), (d), (e), and 21204. This includes an effective brake, a seat, a white front headlight, a rear flashing red light with built-in reflector, white or yellow front and rear reflectors on each pedal, and white or yellow side reflectors on the front and back of the bicycle or tires. PERMITTEE shall establish appropriate minimum height for users and ensure that the handlebar height and bicycle size set forth in CVC 21201(b) and (c) are met. This includes handlebars that do not elevate hands above shoulder level and bicycle size that allows safe stopping, starting, and supporting in an upright position with at least one foot on the ground.

Requirement S3: Any electric bicycles used in systems issued a permit under this pilot program shall meet the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) definition of low-speed electric bicycles and shall be subject to the same requirements as ordinary bicycles (described in Requirements S1 and S2). Electric bicycles shall be "Class 1" or "Class 2" electric bicycles only, as defined in CVC 312.5. CITY reserves the right to terminate any permit issued under this pilot program if the battery or motor on an electric bicycle is determined by CITY to be unsafe for public use.

Requirement S4: All bicycles shall receive regularly scheduled inspections and full maintenance. All bicycles shall be kept in good working order and appearance. A 24-hour customer service hotline/phone number shall be displayed prominently on both the company app and the bicycle.

Requirement S5: All permitted systems shall have visible language that notifies the user that:

- 1. Helmets shall be worn by any person under 18 while riding a bicycle in California.
- 2. All State of California and local laws shall be obeyed while riding a bicycle.

Requirement S6: PERMITTEE agrees that CITY is not responsible for educating users regarding helmet requirements and other laws. Neither is CITY responsible for educating users on how to ride or operate a bicycle. PERMITTEE agrees to educate users regarding laws applicable to riding and operating a bicycle in CITY and the State of California, and to instruct users to comply with all applicable laws.

#### **Parking**

Requirement P1: Bike share bicycles shall be parked only in bike share designated parking areas in the following locations: Mountain View Transit Center, Castro Street between Central Expressway and El Camino Real, and San Antonio Road between California Street and El Camino Real. The

CITY will provide vendors with Google Earth KML/Z polygon files for restricted areas and designated parking areas. Designated parking areas will be marked with paint/tape and/or signs and the following wording: "Bike Share Parking Area." CITY reserves the right to identify other locations in CITY, or change and move existing locations, where bike share parking shall be limited to designated parking areas. PERMITTEE shall direct bike share users to use these designated parking areas.

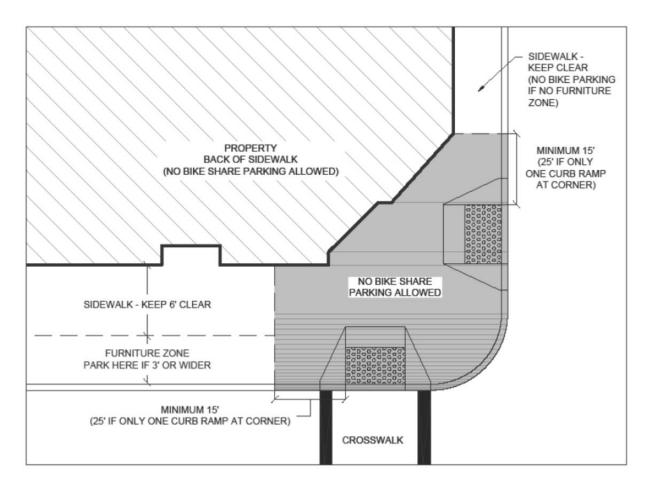
Requirement P2: With the exception of the areas specified in Requirement P1, PERMITTEE may operate a free-floating bike share parking system within CITY. Free-floating bike share bicycles shall be parked in the furniture zone outside of the pedestrian walking path/clear zone of the sidewalk or at any public bicycle rack (see illustration below for furniture zone location). PERMITTEE shall inform customers on how to park a bicycle properly.



Source: California Model Design Manual for Living Streets and Michele Weisbert

Requirement P3: Restrictions to eligible bicycle parking areas on sidewalks are as follows:

1. Bicycles shall not be parked within 15' of street corner pedestrian ramps (25' if there is only a single pedestrian ramp). See graphic below.



- 2. Bicycles shall not be parked on blocks where the furniture zone is less than 3' wide or where there is no furniture zone.
- 3. Bicycles shall not be parked in the furniture zone adjacent to or within:
  - a. Transit zones, including bus stops, shelters, passenger waiting areas, and bus layover and staging zones, except at existing bicycle racks;
  - b. Loading zones;
  - c. Disabled parking zones;
  - d. Street furniture that requires pedestrian access (for example—benches, parking pay stations, bus shelters, transit information signs, etc.);
  - e. Restaurant sidewalk seating areas;
  - f. Any planting area where to do so would endanger or injure any tree, plant, or shrub;
  - g. Curb ramps;
  - h. Entryways; and

- i. Driveways.
- 4. Bicycles shall not be parked on grass or other soft surfaces within the furniture zone; bicycles can only be parked on paved surfaces (e.g., concrete, asphalt).
- 5. CITY reserves the right to determine certain block faces where free-floating bicycle share parking is prohibited in addition to the areas designated in Requirement P1. Restricted parking areas may or may not have designated bike share parking areas provided.

Requirement P4: Bicycles shall be upright when parked.

Requirement P5: Installation and maintenance of objects in the right-of-way (e.g., a bike-share parking rack or dock) requires a separate encroachment permit from CITY for each installation.

Requirement P6: This permit is valid for operations within CITY right-of-way only<sup>1</sup>. PERMITTEE may establish additional parking areas outside of CITY right-of-way (e.g., locations within parks, publicly accessible plazas, off-street parking lots/garages, employment or school campuses, etc.) with appropriate permits and/or approvals from and agreements with the relevant CITY department, public agency, and/or property owner. These additional parking areas shall be communicated to the customer through signage approved by the respective entity and through the operator's mobile or web application.

Requirement P7: PERMITTEE shall prominently display contact information for bicycle relocation requests on every bicycle.

Requirement P8: Any bicycle that is parked incorrectly shall be reparked in a correct manner or shall be removed by PERMITTEE in compliance with the following timelines:

- 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on weekdays, not including holidays—within two hours of receiving notice from any individual or entity or through the system's self-identification of parking problem;
- All other times—within 10 hours of receiving notice from any individual or entity or through the system's self-identification of parking problem.

Failure by PERMITTEE to comply with this requirement may result in CITY removing the bicycle and taking it to a CITY facility for storage at the expense of PERMITTEE.

Requirement P9: PERMITTEE shall monitor the duration of any free-floating bicycles parked unused in a location and shall relocate the bicycle(s) within five (5) days if not in use. Failure by PERMITTEE to move any free-floating bicycle that is parked in one (1) location unused for more than five (5) consecutive days may result in CITY removing the bicycle and taking it to a CITY facility for storage at the expense of PERMITTEE.

### **Operations**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The permit is not valid for parking along El Camino Real or Central Expressway within CITY. El Camino Real is Caltrans right-of-way, and Central Expressway is County of Santa Clara right-of-way.

Requirement O1: PERMITTEE shall have a 24-hour customer service phone number for customers and any individual or entity to report safety concerns, complaints, or ask questions.

Requirement O2: Every bicycle shall have a unique identifier that is visible to the user on the bicycle.

Requirement O3: PERMITTEE shall monitor the distribution of bicycles and fleet density at least twice daily and take appropriate action to rebalance the bicycles as necessary.

Requirement O4: Any inoperable bicycle or any bicycle that is not safe to operate shall be removed from the right-of-way within 24 hours of notice to PERMITTEE by any individual or entity, and shall be repaired before returning the bicycle into bike share service.

Requirement O5: PERMITTEE shall have a minimum bicycle fleet of 200 bicycles within CITY at all times if using standard (nonelectric) bicycles. PERMITTEE shall meet this fleet size within the first week of initial launch date. Any PERMITTEE with a permit for over 200 bicycles shall provide the remaining bicycles within four (4) weeks of initial launch date.

Requirement O6: A PERMITTEE providing only electric bicycles is not required to provide a minimum fleet size.

Requirement 07: No PERMITTEE shall have a bicycle fleet in excess of 400 bicycles (standard and electric combined).

Requirement O8: All applicants to the pilot permit program shall include the fleet size in their application. PERMITTEE shall notify CITY if they plan to change their fleet size two (2) weeks before deployment and shall apply for a revised permit and adjusted performance deposit (Requirement O9).

Requirement O9: PERMITTEE shall provide a performance deposit of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25) per bicycle. These funds shall be accessible to CITY for future public property repair and maintenance costs that may be incurred, for removing and storing bicycles improperly parked, or if a company is not present to remove bicycles if its permit is terminated. If a PERMITTEE increases the size of its fleet in accordance with Requirement O8, the performance deposit shall be adjusted appropriately before deploying additional bicycles. Any remaining deposit balance shall be returned to PERMITTEE thirty (30) days after PERMITTEE has removed all bikes from CITY and repaired any damages to the satisfaction of the Public Works Director.

Requirement O10: If any CITY department or office incurs any costs addressing or abating any violations of these requirements, or incurs any costs of repair or maintenance of public property, upon receiving written notice of CITY costs, PERMITTEE shall reimburse CITY for such costs within thirty (30) days.

Requirement O11: CITY may establish additional or altered permit conditions based on issues that may arise during the pilot program and/or data received as part of the data sharing requirements specified below. CITY shall notify PERMITTEE of changes to the permit conditions a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the effective date. Any such additional or altered permit conditions shall be incorporated into the requirements/terms and conditions of the encroachment permit.

Requirement O12: PERMITTEE is encouraged to establish payment and participation options for users who do not have access to a smart phone and/or credit card.

Requirement O13: PERMITTEE shall strive to achieve seamless integration and interoperability of its fleet permitted in CITY with its fleets in other jurisdictions (such as Caltrain and neighboring cities) and any fleets it is operating for organizations and employers in the area. While it is beneficial to allow users to take bicycles across city borders, PERMITTEE shall ensure it complies with its permitted fleet size and Requirement O5 for the number of bicycles located within CITY's borders.

Requirement O14: CITY reserves the right to terminate permits at any time, including for violation of any of the Bike Share Requirements, and require that the entire fleet of bicycles be removed from CITY streets. The decommissioning shall be completed within thirty (30) days of written notification of the termination unless a different time period is determined by CITY.

## **Data Sharing**

Requirement DS1: To the extent possible, Open Data protocols shall be followed. All publicly shared data shall be anonymized and respect users' private information, including location. CITY is authorized to publish all provided data.

Requirement DS2: PERMITTEE shall provide the following data types to CITY at least monthly, and preferably, via a dashboard in real time with viewable archived data trends:

- Systemwide bicycle use data.
- Trip data—origin and destination within geographic zones.
- Trip route data—line data on a map from nearest intersection (from actual origin) to nearest intersection (from actual destination location).
- Bicycle availability and distribution data.
- Anonymized user demographic data and trends.
- Bicycle maintenance activities.
- Live data on parked bicycle locations and bicycle availability.
- Locations with high resting idle times (parked and unused for over three (3) days).
- Collision and other safety data.
- User and public comments and complaints.
- Other evaluation data as needed.