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**INQUIRY INTO USE OF E-SCOOTERS, E-BIKES AND
RELATED MOBILITY OPTIONS**

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E-bikes are a convenient, cost-effective & eco-friendly mode of transport. However I would like to highlight their impact on public spaces.

E-bikes are being left on public sidewalks, obstructing pedestrians and sometimes even cycle lanes. This is particularly problematic for people with disabilities, prams, and elderly individuals.

"Dumped" e-bikes are contributing to urban clutter and detract from the aesthetic appeal of public spaces. This is negatively impacting the experience of city residents and visitors alike.

E-bikes left on sidewalks in front of shops and restaurants are obstructing entryways, deterring customers and affecting the businesses negatively. It can also pose challenges for delivery services and emergency responders.

I personally use shared e-bikes, and commute daily via bicycle. However I believe it is crucial for government and companies to collaborate on developing designated parking zones across the city for shared e-bikes to improve pedestrian safety and public image of cyclists.