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City of Charleston
South Carolina
Department of Traffic & Transportation

Traffic & Transportation Committee
80 Broad Street
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March 25, 2025, Time 3:30 p.m.

Chair, Councilmember Michael Seekings
Vice-Chair, Councilmember Karl L. Brady, Jr
Councilmember Boyd Gregg
Councilmember William Dudley Gregorie
Councilmember Jim McBride
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AGENDA

1. Invocation
2. Approval of Minutes February 25, 2025
3. Lowline Update Mayor Cogswell & City Staff
4. Approval of Rideshare Program Ordinance Amendment Emily Pinkston & Magalie Creech
5. Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity – Old Village Transportation, LLC Michael Mathis
6. Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax and Transportation Committee Project Updates Presentation Mackenzie Kelley
7. River Road improvements, Johns Island Elementary School Update CCSD
8. SCDOT Road Safety Audit Updates Presentation Kaylon Meetze SCDOT

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AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 19-1 OF CHAPTER 19, ARTICLE VIII; SECTION 31-36 OF CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE I; AND SECTION 31-212 OF CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE III, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLESTON TO ADDRESS FOOD DELIVERIES AND ALLOW RIDERS WITH DISABILITIES TO REQUEST ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PICKUP/DROP-OFF LOCATIONS UNDER THE CITY'S RIDESHARE PROGRAM.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS OF CHARLESTON, IN CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

Section 1. Chapter 19, Article I, Sec. 19-1 "Definitions" of the Code of the City of Charleston, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following underlined words:

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Food delivery service means a third party engaged for the purpose of transporting food from a restaurant or other similar establishment to a consumer for payment.

Food delivery vehicle means a vehicle engaged in loading or unloading in connection with the operations of a food delivery service.

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Section 2. Chapter 31, Article I, Division 1 "Definitions", Sec. 31-36 of the Code of the City of Charleston, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following underlined words:

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Food delivery service and food delivery vehicle shall have the same meaning as set forth in Chapter 19, Article I, Sec. 19-1.

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Pick-up and drop-off zone shall mean an area, including metered areas, designated by appropriate sign or marking for the active loading or unloading of passengers, by passenger vehicles and

vehicles operated pursuant to a rideshare service or for the parking of food delivery vehicles, not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes, between 6 PM and 3 AM, unless otherwise designated by sign or marking.

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Section 3. Chapter 31, Article III, Division 9 “Taxi Cab Stands”, Sec. 31-212 of the Code of the City of Charleston, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following underlined words:

“Sec. 31-212. – Pick-up and drop-off zones, no pickup-zones- Creation and rules.

(a) The traffic and transportation department is hereby authorized and empowered to establish pick-up and drop-off zones in such place or places upon the streets of the city as may be deemed necessary for the use and convenience of the general public. The Charleston police department is authorized and empowered to establish no pick-up zones in such place or places upon the streets of the city as may be deemed necessary for the safety of pedestrians, and shall make recommendations to the traffic and transportation department regarding the establishment of pick-up and drop-off zones.

(b) The traffic and transportation department shall, in consideration of the need for such pick-up and drop-off zones and the convenience to the general public, prescribe the dimensions of said pick-up and drop-off zones by which to accommodate the number of vehicles that shall occupy an established pick-up and drop-off zone. Maps displaying authorized pick-up and drop-off zones and no pick-up zones, as may be amended from time to time, shall be published online at the City of Charleston's website.

(c) Pick-up and drop-off zones shall be used by rideshare drivers and drivers of passenger vehicles on a first come first served basis. Rideshare drivers and drivers of passenger vehicles shall pull into the pick-up and drop-off zone from the rear and shall advance forward as the vehicles ahead pull out. Rideshare drivers and drivers of passenger vehicles waiting for passengers shall idle near the curb so as to allow a clear path of entry to and exit from the passenger zone for other drivers. It shall be unlawful for any vehicle to occupy or use a pick-up and drop-off zone, except for passenger vehicles and vehicles operated pursuant to a rideshare service.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any vehicle to park, stop, or stand in areas designated as no pick-up zones on such maps published by the City of Charleston police department, except that riders with disabilities may request accommodation to modify drop-off/pick-up locations via direct communication with drivers.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective upon ratification.

Ratified in City Council this ____ day of ____ in the year of Our Lord, 2025, in the ____ Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

By: _____
William S. Cogswell, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: By: _____
Jennifer Cook
Clerk of Council