

Information Item

Date: September 12, 2023

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Aaron King, Assistant City Manager
Jeff Fansler, Director of Transportation

Subject:

Information - The Use of Pedicab/Rickshaw Devices in the City of Winston-Salem

Strategic Focus Area: Economic Vitality and Diversity

Strategic Objective: Promote Travel and Tourism

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

Pedicab/Rickshaw vehicles as a mode of transportation have become increasingly popular in other municipalities. These vehicles look like a bicycle with two or four seats on the back wheels to allow for transport to and from destinations. The City of Winston-Salem currently has one company in operations with other companies wishing to begin operations.

The proposed Ordinance will allow the City of Winston-Salem to better regulate operations of these vehicles in Winston-Salem. The pedicab/rickshaw vehicles offer potential benefits; however, they may also create disruptions if policies are not in place and adhered to.

Attached is a map and description of the proposed routes and stops. Routes will follow as the previously approved trolley pub line that was once operational in downtown Winston-Salem. Additional signage will be installed on existing posts to designate pedicab/rickshaw stops along the routes.