

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

By-law 22-XXX

Being a by-law of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge to amend By-law 187-06 being a By-law for the regulation of Traffic and Parking (to Permit Electric Kick-Scooters on Certain Highways).

**WHEREAS** Ontario Regulation 389/19 of Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, as amended, provides that no person shall operate an electric kick-scooter on a highway, sidewalk, trail, path or walkway or in a public park or exhibition ground under the jurisdiction of a municipality unless such operation is permitted by and in accordance with a municipal bylaw;

**WHEREAS** it is the desire of The Corporation of the City of Cambridge to permit persons to operate an electric kick-scooter on certain portions of highways that are under the jurisdiction of The City of Cambridge;

**AND WHEREAS** it is deemed expedient to amend By-law No. 187-06,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Cambridge enacts as follows:**

1. **THAT** the Traffic and Parking By-law is amended by **adding** section 13.1 to Part II, Definitions, as follows:

“13.1 “e-scooter” has the same meaning as an “electric kick-scooter” in Ontario Regulation 389/19 of the Highway Traffic Act;”

2. **THAT** Traffic and Parking By-law is amended by **adding** a new Part XX.2 – E-Scooters, as follows:

**“Part XX.2 – E-Scooters**

1. a) Subject to subsection b) of this section, a person is permitted to operate an e-scooter on the following portions of a highway:

- i. A multi-use trail;
- ii. A reserved cycling lane;
- iii. The shoulder of a highway with a posted rate of speed of 50 kilometers per hour or less if the highway has no reserved cycling lane; and
- iv. The roadway of a highway with a posted rate of speed of 50 kilometers per hours or less if the highway has no reserved cycling lane or shoulder.

b) Subsection a) of this section shall not apply if an authorized sign is posted on a multi-use trail, reserved cycling lane, shoulder or roadway that e-scooters are not permitted.

2. Where reserved cycling lanes are not provided on a highway with a posted rate of speed of 50 kilometers per hour or less, the operator of an e-scooter shall,

- a) if there is a shoulder on the highway, stay on the shoulder as close to the right edge of the shoulder as possible; and
- b) if there is no shoulder on the highway, stay on the right side of the roadway as close to the edge of the roadway as possible

3. No person shall:

- a) operate an e-scooter on a highway except in compliance with section 1 of this Part;
- b) operate an e-scooter on a highway without wearing a helmet and chin strap;
- c) operate an e-scooter on a sidewalk except to cross;
- d) operate an e-scooter on a multi-use trail at a speed that is markedly greater than the speed of the pedestrians who are proximate to the e-scooter;
- e) operate an e-scooter at a bus stop, transit station or light rail transit platform that is on or adjacent to a highway;
- f) operate, stop or leave an e-scooter on any railway track, light rail transit track or other area designated with an authorized sign or marking for light rail transit vehicles;
- g) leave an e-scooter in a location on a highway, including a sidewalk, that is intended for the passage of vehicles or pedestrians;
- h) operate an e-scooter on any section of a multi-use trail, reserved cycling lane, or roadway that is unpaved and/or closed for maintenance, construction, or emergency reasons;

4. The operator of an e-scooter shall:

- a) keep a safe distance from pedestrians and other users of the highway where the e-scooter is permitted pursuant to section 1 of this Part at all times; and
- b) give way to a pedestrian or bicycle by slowing or stopping, as necessary, where there is insufficient space for the pedestrian or bicycle and the e-scooter to pass.”

3. **AND THAT** this by-law shall come into effect on July 1, 2022.

Enacted and Passed this 28th day of June, 2022.

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MAYOR

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