AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING ARTICLE XIX, CHAPTER 19 OF THE CITY CODE OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, TO LIMIT THE HOURS OF OPERATION OF DOCKLESS VEHICLES AND REQUIRE DAILY PICKUP, AND TO ALLOW REMOVAL OF VEHICLES PARKED IN PROHIBITED AREAS WITHOUT WARNING

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WHEREAS, the San Antonio City Council passed an ordinance regulating dockless vehicles on October 11, 2018, Ordinance Number 2018-10-11-0803, which has been made part of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas as Chapter 19, Article XIX, Sections 19-660 - 19-669; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance established a pilot program for the operation of these new types of vehicles so city staff could study and determine the effects and issues related to their operation; and

WHEREAS, City staff has identified issues with the operation of dockless vehicles and provided proposed revisions to the Dockless Vehicle Pilot Program to the City Council Transportation Committee on January 22, 2019; NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. That CHAPTER 19, "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas, Article XIX, Motor-Assisted Scooters, Electric Bicycles, and Bicycles Equipped with GPS, is hereby amended by adding Section 19-661(e), and Sections 19-664(f)(4) and (h).

ARTICLE XIX. - MOTOR-ASSISTED SCOOTERS, ELECTRIC BICYCLES, AND BICYCLES EQUIPPED WITH GPS

Sec. 19-661. - Operation, parking, and required equipment of motor-assisted scooters, electric bicycles, and bicycles equipped with GPS.

(e) Dockless vehicles may not be operated between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6 a.m., and permit holders shall make dockless vehicles inoperable during these hours.

Sec. 19-664. - Dockless vehicle operations.

- (f) Notices of violations or broken vehicles:
 - (4) City staff, and other persons authorized by city staff, including but not limited to Centro San Antonio and any other identified partners, may remove dockless vehicles parked in prohibited areas or blocking ADA facilities in violation of this article, or that are identified as broken, immediately and without notice of violation to a permit holder, in which case the city may not impose an impound fee.

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(h) Notwithstanding the above, the Director has the authority to identify areas where vehicles must be removed to accommodate special events, construction, and maintenance work performed by the Downtown Public Improvement District. The Director shall have the authority to establish the time for any required removal and any subsequent deployment.

SECTION 2. The Director is authorized to implement a moratorium on new permits for participation in the Dockless Vehicle Pilot Program, effective January 22, 2019, as approved by the City Council Transportation Committee on that date.

SECTION 3. Funds generated by this ordinance will be deposited into Fund 11001000, Internal Order 219000000000 and General Ledgers 4202420 for semiannual business permits and 4202966 per semiannual for each dockless vehicle.

SECTION 4. Should any article, section, part, paragraph, sentence, phrase, clause, or word of this Ordinance, for any reason, be held illegal, inoperative, or invalid, or if any exception to or limitation upon any general provision herein contained be held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective, the remainder shall, nevertheless, stand effective and valid as if it had been enacted and ordained without the portion held to be illegal, inoperative, unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective.

SECTION 5. The publishers of the City Code of San Antonio, Texas are authorized to amend said code to reflect the changes adopted herein and to correct typographical errors and to format and number paragraphs to conform to the existing code.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk of the City of San Antonio is hereby directed to publish notice of this ordinance as required by the Charter of the City of San Antonio and the laws of the State of Texas.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect five days following the date of the publication provided for above.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th day of February, 2019.

		M A Y O R Ron Nirenberg
ATTEST:		APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk		Andrew Segovia, City Attorney