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## Council President Pro Tem Bry's Response to Shared Mobility Device Regulation "Enhancements"

**San Diego**— The City's shared mobility program is failing. The proposed recommendations to our ordinance, which were presented at the Active Transportation and Infrastructure Committee on November 20, are a short-term band-aid and do not address some of the underlying problems.

Based on growing safety concerns, in July, I called for a moratorium on shared mobility devices so the City could initiate an RFP process, select responsible mobility partners, and limit the number of scooters on our streets. From what we learned this week, even the operators themselves are asking for limited caps on fleets and acknowledged the value of a thorough RFP process. We have created a system in which the companies prioritize fighting for market share over focusing on safety and equity. And we don't even have the resources to enforce the ordinance since we are using expensive police overtime.

Prior to the meeting, I issued a memorandum asking for new parking enforcement regulations, an earlier curfew and for the committee to support mandated helmet regulations.

I continue to call for a moratorium to develop an efficient and successful program rather than slowly reacting with short-term, band aid solutions.

Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry represents San Diego City Council District 1, which includes the communities of Carmel Valley, Del Mar Heights, Del Mar Mesa, La Jolla, Pacific Highlands Ranch, Torrey Hills, Torrey Pines, and University City.