



## **COUNCILMEMBER CHRISTOPHER WARD THIRD COUNCIL DISTRICT**

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### **SAN DIEGO'S FIRST DOCKLESS VEHICLE REGULATIONS PROMOTE SAFETY AND ENSURE SCOOTERS ARE REMOVED FROM DOWNTOWN SIDEWALKS**

SAN DIEGO, CA – San Diego Councilmember Chris Ward (District Three) issued the following statement after City Council approval of proposed dockless scooter regulations:

**“The regulations approved at Council today speaks to my colleagues’ commitment to finding a balance to keep San Diegans safe on our sidewalks and streets, while establishing permitting terms for dockless scooters as a meaningful part of a safe, accessible, and sustainable mobility network,”** said Councilmember Ward.

**“San Diegans are frustrated with scooters on our sidewalks, weaving through pedestrians and blocking access to public rights-of-way. The regulations adopted today address these concerns and limit their ability to be parked, displayed, or made available for rent on city sidewalks.**

**“I will continue to push for expanding on-street designated scooter parking to other neighborhoods and pursue stronger safeguards to deter underage users and promote more responsible ridership.**

**“This is a necessary first step in regulating these devices and I look forward to hearing an update on operations and data in six months. This is also an opportunity to ensure funds collected are dedicated to mobility infrastructure improvements and education to ensure this mobility option works for everyone.”**

For more information or to interview Councilmember Ward, contact Ansermio Jake Estrada at (619) 909-4299 or EstradaAJ@sandiego.gov

***Councilmember Chris Ward represents San Diego’s Third Council District including communities of Downtown, Little Italy, Bankers Hill, Mission Hills, Middletown, Hillcrest, University Heights, North Park, Normal Heights, Old Town, South Park, and Golden Hill; while also serving as Chair of the Regional Task Force on the Homeless.***

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