
scooter fines?

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Tue, Feb 21, 2023 at 10:47 AM

Hi Alex!

See the attached photo.

What additional information do you need from me in order for the city to impose a fine against Lime?

My working theory is that the ordinance crafted by the legal department was discovered later, on further analysis, to be defective, and does not actually allow the city to fine a company, as Mike Rouker described to the city council in 2019. Instead, the ordinance can be enforced only against a scooter user—so goes the theory.

But I haven't been able to get anyone from city legal to say one way or another: Either:

- (1) Yes, we could fine Lime for the circumstance shown in the attached photo under the city's ordinance, but the city chooses not to impose a fine, or
- (2) No, the city would be able to fine only the user of the scooter who left it so as to block the ADA ramp.

Which is it?

In any case, I moved the scooter out of the ramp this morning, as I have done several hundreds of times over the last three years.

I'm not asking for a handwritten thank you note delivered on a perfumed pillow by your personal footman. I'd just like an answer to the question. Is it (1) or (2)?

Thank you for your immediate attention to this question.

--Dave

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Hi Dave,

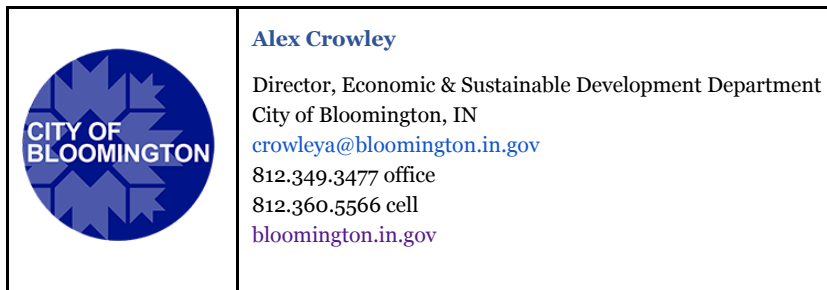
Thanks for your note and for moving the offending scooter.

Short answer is that the language in the ordinance needs to be tightened up to give us the flexibility to impose fines on an operator without having to impound. My understanding of the ordinance is that the operator fine structures are tied to the removal/storage/disposition, which is limiting given the significant operational effort required to support impounding.

We're looking at different ways to mitigate both clutter and parking violations (and improve riding safety) and will be proposing some ideas in the 4-6 weeks.

Please let me (or my footman!) know if you have any questions,

Alex



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