

# PRIORITIES & **OVERVIEW** FOR THE YEAR AHEAD INTERIM DIRECTOR CORREN JOHNSON



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### AGENCY OVERVIEW

#### **Agency Mission**

The Baltimore City Department of Transportation (BCDOT)'s mission is to maintain and improve the City's transportation infrastructure to produce a safe, reliable, accessible and efficient system that provides for multiple and sustainable modes of transportation for residents, businesses and visitors — thereby promoting livable and vibrant communities across Baltimore City.









### **AGENCY OVERVIEW**

### TRAFFIC/ CONSTRUCTION

- ATVES
- ADA
- Right of Way
- TransportationEngineering &Construction
- Traffic Operations/ Signal Maintenance
- CompleteStreets

#### **OPERATIONS**

- Maintenance
- Safety
- Towing
- Conduit

#### PLANNING/ TRANSIT

- Transit & Sustainable Transportation
- Planning

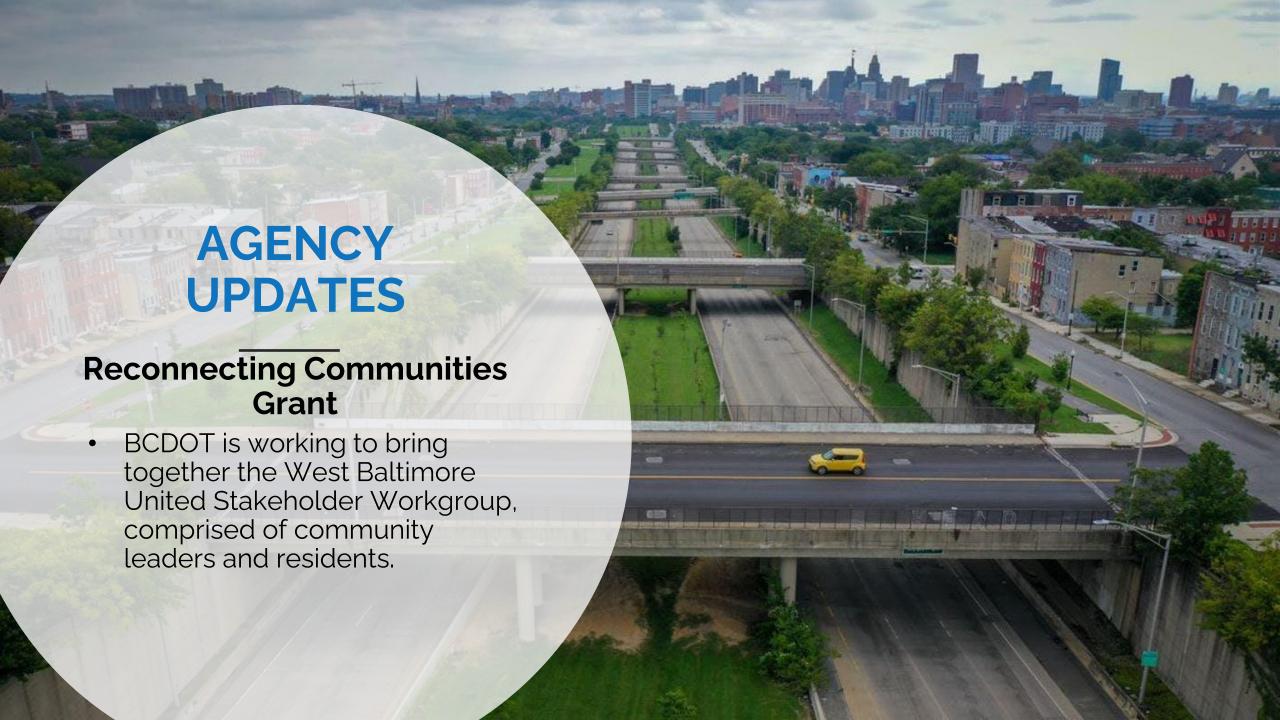
#### **ADMINISTRATION**

- CommunityEngagement
- PIO
- Policy
- Contracting
- HumanResources
- Fiscal Services











**Policy Updates** 

#### **Curbside Commercial**

BCDOT is working to add a new Curbside Commercial Minor Privilege Fee Schedule to finalize its outdoor dining program.

- Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> concluded the second round of public comments
- We look forward to finalizing the updated policy

#### **Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargers**

BCDOT is working closely with the Baltimore City Parking Authority and municipal agency partners to finalize a comprehensive set of regulations concerning EV chargers.



# INITIATIVES AND UPDATES

#### **Legislation Updates**

Adopted Legislation from 2021 and 2022

- 2021 I-83 Speed Cameras
- 2022 Automated Bus Lane Enforcement
- 2022 Speed Limits Authority
- 2022 Highway User Revenue

#### 2023 Legislative Session Update

- HB0613, a bill extending first responder assault protections to traffic and parking enforcement officers has been assigned to committees.
- Obtained Attorney General opinion on towing rates, clarifying the maximum legal trespass towing rate.
- ATVES Chronic Offenders bill has not yet been introduced. The bill allows for the impounding of vehicles associated with an excessive number of traffic/parking violations.





# INITIATIVES AND UPDATES

#### **Dockless Program**

- The city's Dockless Vehicle Program officially began in 2019 when it was approved by the City Council.
- Current operators permitted in Baltimore City are Bird, Link, and Spin.





- Bird
- 1,100 e-scooters with 75 bikes, 2,000 with 150 bikes
- Incentives for parking in corrals
- Community pricing, discounted rides in EZ
- Launched adaptive vehicles in 2022
- Link
- 1,100 e-scooters
- Incentives for parking in corrals
- Link Access 70% off
- Launched adaptive vehicles in 2022
- Spin
- 1,800 e-scooters and 75 bikes
- Piloting parking and sidewalk detection Al
- Incentives for parking in corrals
- Spin Access 50% off, 25% off automatically in EZ

## ROLE OF BCDOT IN THE PROGRAM

- Act in the best interest of the public
- Set the goals of the program
- Align laws and policies to achieve goals
- Establish funding mechanisms for support and sustainability
- Convene all stakeholders for ongoing evaluation



### SHARED MICROMOBILITY TIMELINE

2016

Baltimore Bike Share Launches in October with 200 Bikes at 20 stations

2018

Baltimore Bike Share Permanently Shut down & Dockless Pilot Launched

2019

Dockless Codified & First Permits issued (& extended for COVID 19) – Bolt, Jump, Lime, Spin

2021

Permits awarded to Lime, LINK, Spin

2022

First permit renewal issued to Spin, additional permits awarded to LINK and Bird



# PROGRAMMATIC ITERATIONS

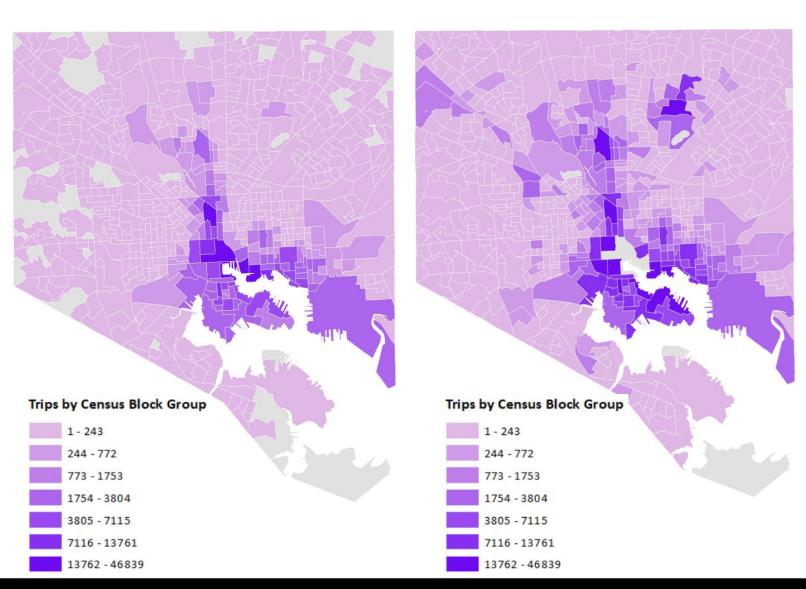
- Permit Rules & Regulations
- Fleet size & vehicle types
- Parking & distribution
- Education & engagement
- Equity of access
- Safety & vehicle standards
- Data reporting & privacy



Before Equity Zones (08/2018 - 01/2019)

After Equity Zones (08/2019 - 01/2020)

# IMPACT OF EQUITY ZONES



### PERMIT HOLDER STRENGHTS

- Over 5.5 Million Rides since 2019
- 120,000 Rides per month
- 50,000 active accounts
- Equity Users 3x as many rides
- Tech
- Apps with instant updates
- Data in MDS
- Vehicle Operations
- Maintenance
- Responsiveness
- Innovation



## BCDOT PRIORITIES FOR THE FUTURE

- Strengthen partnerships
- Renewals for any company with zero citation
- Continue to reinvest permit fees
- \$100k Program consultant & data dashboard
- \$100k Infrastructure
- \$20k Event support & vandalism response
- Improve service and equity
- Adaptive Vehicles
- Expanding Equity plans
- Outreach to access zones



