MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 4(J)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	November 17, 2026
FROM:	Geri Bonzon-Keenan County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Ordinance relating to operation of micromobility devices, electric bicycles, and motorized scooters in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Miami-Dade County; amending section 2-98.3 of the Code; authorizing and amending regulations for operation of micromobility devices, electric bicycles, and motorized scooters on certain rights-of-way; requiring a report; providing for sunset

The accompanying ordinance was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Micky Steinberg.

for
Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

_____	**"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**
___✓___	**6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
___✓___	**4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
_____	**Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
_____	**Budget required**
_____	**Statement of fiscal impact required**
_____	**Statement of social equity required**
_____	**Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**
_____	**No committee review**
_____	**Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) _____) to approve**
_____	**Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE RELATING TO OPERATION OF MICROMOBILITY DEVICES, ELECTRIC BICYCLES, AND MOTORIZED SCOOTERS IN THE INCORPORATED AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AMENDING SECTION 2-98.3 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING AND AMENDING REGULATIONS FOR OPERATION OF MICROMOBILITY DEVICES, ELECTRIC BICYCLES, AND MOTORIZED SCOOTERS ON CERTAIN RIGHTS-OF-WAY; REQUIRING A REPORT; PROVIDING FOR SUNSET; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN AND EXCLUSION FROM THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the public has a growing interest in using personal micromobility devices, including electric bicycles, motorized scooters, and rented micromobility devices (collectively "micromobility devices") for transportation and recreational purposes; and

WHEREAS, in addition to meeting the transportation needs of local communities, micromobility devices may help to promote environmental goals, because they are battery-powered, and thus emission-free; and

WHEREAS, this Board supports the safe use of low-cost, energy-efficient micromobility devices on County roads; and

WHEREAS, sections 316.2128 and 316.20655, Florida Statutes, regulate micromobility devices and authorize the County, under certain circumstances, to adopt an ordinance governing the operation of micromobility devices on streets, highways, sidewalks, and sidewalk areas under the County's jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, section 1.01(A)(1) of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter vests this Board with the power to "carry on a central metropolitan government" by, among other powers, "provid[ing] and regulat[ing] arterial, toll, and other roads, bridges, tunnels, and related facilities; . . . and develop[ing] and enforce[ing] master plans for the control of traffic and parking"; and

WHEREAS, among other mechanisms, this Board has exercised this power through adoption of ordinances that have been codified in the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "Code"); and

WHEREAS, section 2-95.1 of the Code empowers and imposes the duty and responsibility on the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) to provide, develop, maintain, improve, implement, and enforce a master plan for the control, regulation, and appropriate movement of traffic throughout the County, including both the incorporated and unincorporated areas thereof; and

WHEREAS, section 2-95.1 also grants DTPW exclusive jurisdiction over all matters of traffic engineering Countywide, subject only to the jurisdiction of the state road department with respect to state highways; and

WHEREAS, section 2-96.1 of the Code vests DTPW with the exclusive jurisdiction to address traffic movement, traffic engineering, and traffic control devices throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2024, this Board adopted Ordinance No. 24-45, which among other things, created section 2-98.3 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, which regulated the operation of micromobility devices, on a limited basis, and authorized the delegation of the enforcement of such regulations to the municipality within which such street lies, subject to the entering into of an interlocal agreement between the County and the applicable municipality; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 24-45 sunsetted 2 years from the date of its adoption; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2026, this Board adopted Ordinance No. 26-51 which re-established the regulatory structure created by Ordinance No. 24-45 on a certain County owned right-of-way prior to determining whether to apply such regulations Countywide; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to amend section 2-98.3 to extend the applicability of this section to any County owned right-of-way within the unincorporated areas of the County and within the boundaries of municipalities subject to the municipality entering into an interlocal agreement with the County and otherwise complying with the requirements of this section,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein and are approved.

Section 2. Section 2-98.3 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:[1]

Section 2-98.3 – Regulation of Micromobility Devices, Electric Bicycles, and Motorized Scooters

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(1) *Applicability*.

(a) This section shall be applicable to >>: (1) the unincorporated areas of Miami-Dade County; (2)<< Crandon Boulevard between the northern limits of the Village of Key Biscayne to the northern entrance of Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Park, upon the municipality through which such road traverses entering into an interlocal agreement as provided in this section[[.]]>>; and (3) any County owned right-of-way within the boundaries of a municipality, upon

[1] Words stricken through and/or [[double bracketed]] shall be deleted. Words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< constitute the amendment proposed. Remaining provisions are now in effect and remain unchanged.

the municipality through which such right-of-way traverses entering into an interlocal agreement as provided in this section.<<

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(4) *Operation and parking.*

(a) Riders of micromobility devices shall comply with all applicable state and County traffic laws, rules, and regulations as may be applicable to such devices.

(b) Ridership of more than one person on any micromobility device is prohibited, unless such micromobility device is specifically designed to carry more than one person. This restriction shall not be construed to prohibit an adult rider from carrying a child securely attached to his or her person in a backpack or sling.

>>(c) Riders of micromobility devices who are under 16 years of age must wear a bicycle helmet that is properly fitted and is fastened securely upon the rider's head by a strap and that meets the federal safety standard for bicycle helmets.<<

[[~~(c)~~]]>>(d)<< The maximum speed of a micromobility device on a County-owned right-of-way shall be limited to 20 miles per hour.

[[~~(d)~~]]>>(e)<< The operation of micromobility devices upon a public sidewalk or walkway is prohibited except for the purpose of parking the device in a location designated for the parking of such devices by the County or applicable municipality.

[[~~(e)~~]]>>(f)<< Micromobility devices shall only be operated within bike lanes, if available, or upon streets with a posted speed limit of 30 mph or less.

[[~~(f)~~]]>>(g)<< Micromobility devices shall not be parked:

(i) upon any County-owned roadway or sidewalk, except in a location designated for such parking;

(ii) in a manner that obstructs the ingress or egress from any park or parking location; or

(iii) in a manner that prevents any sidewalk or walkway from maintaining at least 3 feet of walkway clearance.

[[~~(g)~~]]>>(h)<< Riders of micromobility devices may be ticketed for traffic violations, as applicable, in the same manner as motor vehicles.

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Section 3. Within 1 year of the effective date of this Ordinance, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall provide to this Board a report on the status of the enforceability of section 2-98.3 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, within the unincorporated and incorporated areas of the County and place the completed report on an agenda of this Board without committee review pursuant to rule 5.06(j) of the Board's Rules of Procedure.

Section 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 5. It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance, including any sunset provision but excluding the provisions of section 3, shall become and be made a part of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word.

Section 6. This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of enactment unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

Section 7. This ordinance shall stand repealed 2 years from the effective date of Ordinance No. 26-51.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency:



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