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ISSUE

Whether to amend Title XV, Prohibition of Specified Acts Committed in or on RT Vehicles or Facilities, of the SacRT Administrative Code.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Motion: Waive the First Reading of Ordinance 18-06-01, Amending Title XV, Prohibition of Specified Acts Committed in or on RT Vehicles or Facilities, of the SacRT Administrative Code

FISCAL IMPACT

None

DISCUSSION

Title XV of the Administrative Code establishes certain acts that are prohibited on SacRT vehicles or Facilities. Individuals are subject to criminal citation for violations of Title XV. These include conditions related to boarding and stowing bicycles on SacRT buses and rail cars and also for entering and remaining at light rail stations. To accommodate bike sharing stations at light rail stations, and to address some of the operational concerns that SacRT Staff has with electric-assist bicycles, Staff is proposing that the Board amend Title XV.

Bike sharing refers to a shared transportation system in which people can rent a bicycle per trip, picking up the bicycle in one location and returning it either to the same location or to a different location. Much like Zipcar, the process of locating, unlocking, paying for, and returning a bicycle is typically handled through a smart phone app. The JUMP Bikes system in Sacramento, West Sacramento and Davis will be primarily a dock-based system. The system will feature 900 electric-assist bicycles, and 1800 docking points distributed among 150 hub locations, including about a dozen SacRT light rail stations.

The JUMP bicycles weigh about 70 pounds, due to the heavy-duty construction for durability, as well as to the battery and electric motor. The JUMP bicycles are therefore much heavier than most normal bicycles. The Sportworks racks on SacRT buses are rated for 55 pounds per wheel tray. As a result, placing a JUMP bicycle on the Sportworks racks could damage the rack.

In addition, there is concern that customers attempting to take heavy JUMP bicycles on light rail trains could injure themselves or other customers, or cause damage to the bicycles.

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General Manager/CEO	Director, Civil and Track Design J\Board Meeting Documents\2018\07 May 14, 2018\Admin Code Article XV Bike Share

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To address these two issues, Staff proposes to amend Title XV to prohibit the bringing of bikes weighing more than 55 pounds on board a train or placing a bike weighing more than 55 pounds on an exterior bus rack.

Finally, Title XV generally prohibits individuals from entering a Paid Fare Zone without valid fare or intent to purchase fare or entering a light rail station outside a Paid Fare Zone unless the individual is boarding the next train traveling in their direction of travel or dropping off or picking up passengers. Section 15.J contains some existing exemptions from these prohibitions. Staff proposes to add an exemption for individuals renting or returning a bicycle to a bike share station.

Attachment 1 contains the proposed draft of Ordinance 18-06-01. If the Board waives the first reading of the proposed ordinance, it will be brought back for approval at the June 11, 2018 Board meeting.

ORDINANCE 18-06-01

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this date:

June 11, 2018

AMENDING TITLE XV "PROHIBITION OF SPECIFIED ACTS COMMITTED IN OR ON RT VEHICLES OR FACILITIES" OF THE SACRT ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

WHEREAS, by Ordinances 15-06-02 and 15-12-01, the Board of Directors prohibited certain conduct in or on RT vehicles; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 16-03-0032, the Board adopted Title XV of the RT Administrative Code to codify the foregoing ordinances; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 17-05-01, the Board modified Title XV; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to further modify sections of Title XV to address operational concerns arising out of bike sharing programs.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District do ordain as follows:

Section 1:

New paragraphs 8 and 9 are hereby added to Section 15.8.H of Title XV pertaining to the conditions for carrying a bicycle on a Bus or Rail Car (as defined in Title XV), reading in their entirety as follows:

- "8. Place a Bicycle weighing more than 55 pounds on an exterior Bicycle carrier on a Bus.
- 9. Carry a Bicycle weighing more than 55 pounds onto a Rail Car."

Section 2:

New paragraph 7 is hereby added to Section 15.8.J reading in its entirety as follows:

"7. Entering a Paid Fare Zone or the area of a Light Rail Station outside a Paid Fare Zone solely for the purpose of renting or returning a Bicycle to a bike share station operating under a license with RT and proceeding without delay from the Paid Fare Zone or Light Rail Station upon completion of that transaction."

Section 3: Authority

This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to *Public Utilities Code* Sections 99170, 102107 and 102122.

Section 4: Severability

This Ordinance shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purposes. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any of the provisions, clauses, sentences, sections, subsections, words or portions thereof is held illegal, invalid, unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such portion shall be deemed, to the maximum extent possible, a separate, distinct, and independent provision, so that such illegality, invalidity, unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, sections, subsections, words or portions of this Ordinance or their application to other persons or circumstances. If any section, subsection, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 5: Effective Date

This Ordinance will become effective 30 days after the date of its passage.

Section 6: Ordinance Publication

Within 15 calendar days after adoption, the Secretary is hereby directed to publish this Ordinance in full in a newspaper of general circulation published within RT's activated boundaries.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this 11th day of June, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair
	TATRIOR RETUREDT, CHair
ATTEST:	
HENRY LI, Secretary	
Ву:	_
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary	