



## CONSIDER SHARED ACTIVE TRANSIT ORDINANCE AND AGREEMENT

### ***Options to Proceed:***

1. Motion to approve ordinance #221206.01 and instruct the town manager to finalize the agreement with Bird and GWU.
2. Motion to approve ordinance #221206.01 (*waiting on agreement approval*).
3. Motion to table for further review

*Staff has a meeting on Monday with GWU representatives to review the agreement. We will provide a recommendation at Tuesday's meeting.*

## SUMMARY

The Bird bike/scooter program has received positive feedback in the review so far. Leadership at Gardner-Webb has expressed positive comments about the program and expects it to be a useful transportation tool for students. Staff is excited about the possibility of connecting the greenway through bikes and allowing for additional modes of transportation through town (access to restaurants, grocery store, YMCA, hotel, etc.) for residents and students.

The attached ordinance is built from the ordinance that Gastonia has in place. Their ordinance was created from an almost identical agreement with Bird, who is the sole provider of shared active transit in their community. Staff has reworked the ordinance to be applicable to Boiling Springs. It is a very thorough ordinance but institutes provisions that Bird built into their agreement. Staff wanted to use this as a model so if Bird was permitted in town but left at some point, a solid foundation of regulations would be in place if another company aimed to establish itself in Boiling Springs.

The attached agreement would be between the Town and Bird. The University would have a separate agreement. The ordinance would apply to the entire corporate limits, but would not restrict the University from creating additional regulations around the operation of these devices.

## MATERIALS PROVIDED

- **Bird Agreement**
- **Shared Active Transit Ordinance**