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To: Brandee Ganz, Chief Administrative Officer

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Subject: Administration Fiscal Impact for Council Resolution xx-2024, Electric Scooter Sharing Permit Fee

The proposed resolution reduces the shared electric scooter permitting fee from \$10,000 to \$2,000 for the 2024/2025 operating year. In 2022/2023 operating year, the permit fee was \$10,000, paid by one operator. In 2023/2024 the permit fee was set at \$10,000, but no operators applied for a permit. Compared to 2022/2023 operating year, the change in fee results in an \$8,000 reduction in revenue to the County. Compared to 2023/2024 operating year, the change in fee results in a \$2,000 increase in county revenue. These projected changes assume one permit operator in 2024/2025.

As in 2022/2023, the Office of Transportation intends to operate the 2024 scooter program with existing staff so there would be no increase in operating expenditures.