

Riverside Neighborhood Association

Encompassing Neighbors from Lawrence Street to Light Street and from Key Highway to the Railyard

COMMUNITY MEETING: Monday, October 28, 2019
7:00 pm at Salem Lutheran Church (corner of Randall & Battery)

GUEST SPEAKERS: Meg Young, Baltimore City's Mobility Coordinator

Scooters Abound as Popularity Rises

~ John Pare

With the summer heat comfortably behind us, daily commutes have become considerably more enjoyable. The waves of high temperature dissipate yielding to brisk, energizing winds during this transitional time of year.

While I walk nearly everywhere I go, I've noticed scores of people zipping around on the dockless electric scooters scattered about the city. This isn't the first appearance of these e-scooters; they first hit the streets in the summer of 2018 for a six-month pilot program to replace the defunct Baltimore Bike Share program. As of August 1, 2019, the city issued year-long permits ending on July 31, 2020 to four companies to rent out their scooters to the public. Three of the companies (Jump, Lime, and Spin) launched at the start of August, while Bolt launched in September.

As more and more people use this mode of transportation, I feel it's important that we all take a moment to review the laws and guidelines established by the city for using these scooters. The Baltimore City Department of Transportation (BCDOT) website states that:

- Users under 16 are required to wear helmets when riding
- Scooters and bicycles should not be ridden on sidewalks
- Scooters should be parked courteously- not blocking sidewalks, bus stops, driveways, or doorways. You may park it next to a bike rack, but allow space for bicycles to still use the rack.

RNA Calendar of Upcoming Events

OCT

Oct 26 SOBO Halloween Bash

Oct 28 Community Meeting

NOV

Nov 02 Garden Club

Nov 21 BPD Southern Meeting

DEC

Dec 07 Garden Club

Dec 08 Gazebo Lighting

Dec 19 BPD Southern Meeting

Dec 16 Community Meeting
& Cookie Contest

The BCDOT also provides tips for those less familiar with riding e-scooters. Most of the information focuses on user safety. According to the city's Dockless Vehicles FAQ's, "Riders are safest in a bike lane or on a low traffic street riding on the right-hand side of the street in the same direction as traffic. Only on major streets with 30MPH+ speed limits can scooters be ridden on the sidewalk." The BCDOT advises that, similar to bicycle etiquette, riders should ring the bell on their scooters or announce to people walking when they are passing them.

If you have comments concerning improperly parked scooters, you should contact the appropriate company by phone or email. The contact information for the companies are:

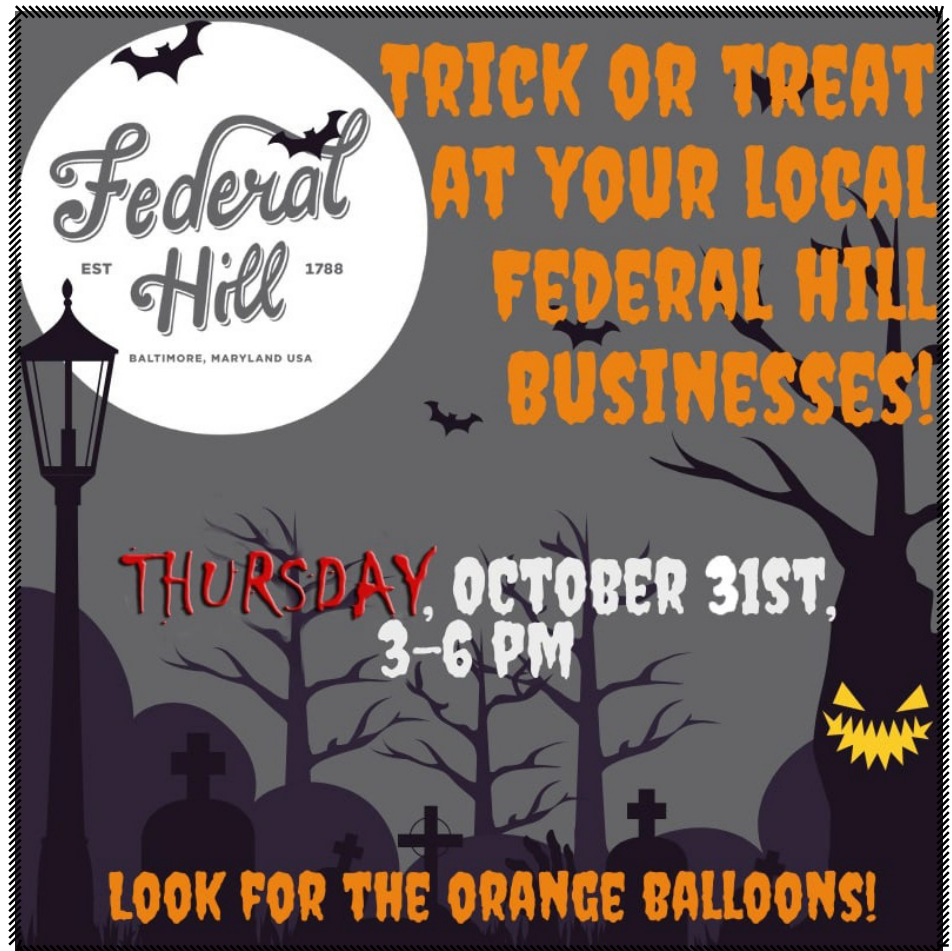
- Lime: 1-(888)-546-3345 or support@limebike.com
- Spin: 1-(888)-262-5189 or support@spin.pm
- Jump: 1-(844)-505-9155 or support@jump.com

If you have feedback on the program, you can email the DOT at dot-community@baltimorecity.gov. Additionally, the city's shared mobility coordinator, Meg Young, will speak and be available for questions at our next RNA meeting scheduled for October 28.



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8th Annual
SOBO HALLOWEEN BASH

Saturday, October 26, 2019

at Riverside Park 1-5 pm



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Fall Happenings Throughout the Neighborhood!

Fall has finally arrived in Riverside. From farmer's markets at Cross Street and the BMI, to South Baltimore Youth Soccer league games, to Fall Festivals there is something for everyone to enjoy on the peninsula! Get out, enjoy the weather, and meet your neighbors.

Enjoy the scenes from around the neighborhood featured below. Submit your own to **rna.newsletter.21230@gmail.com** for a chance to see them in an upcoming issue.

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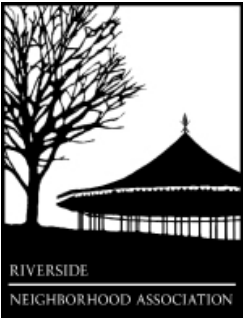
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\$5 per person

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