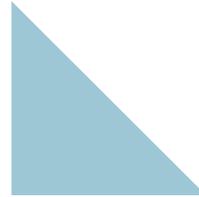


November 2021

Bird Scooter Survey Report

City of Appleton



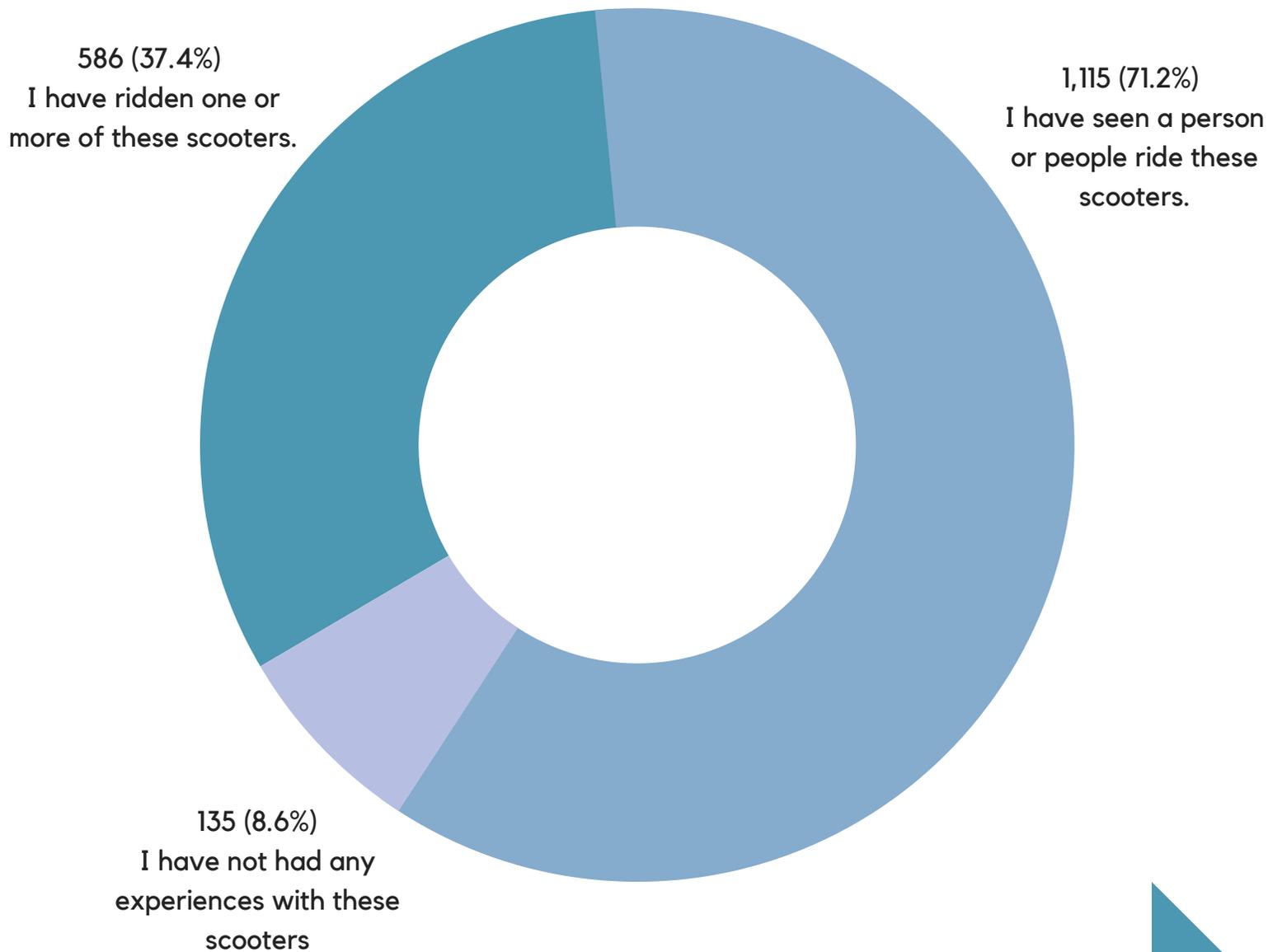
1,565 Responses

Appleton's Bird Scooter Survey was published on October 5, 2021 via Google Forms. The survey was posted to appleton.org, shared via the Appleton Public Works, Appleton Police Department and Appleton City Hall social media pages. The same survey was promoted via the Bird App on mobile devices. A push notification prompted users to follow a link leading to the same Google survey hosted online.

In addition to captured survey responses, many social media users shared their narrative feedback directly on City Hall social pages. These results are also included in this report.

Experience

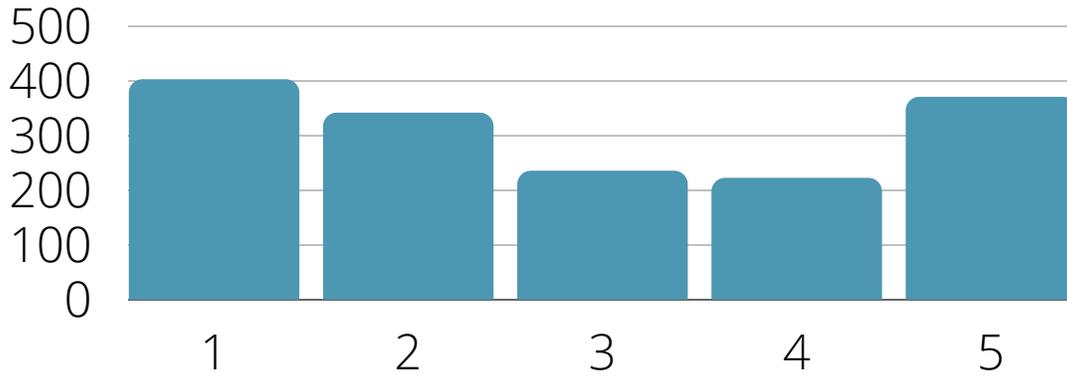
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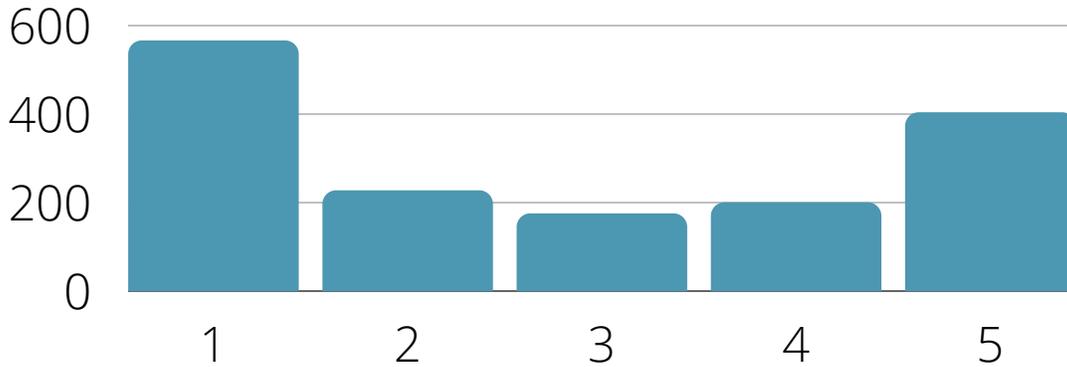
On a Scale of 1 to 5

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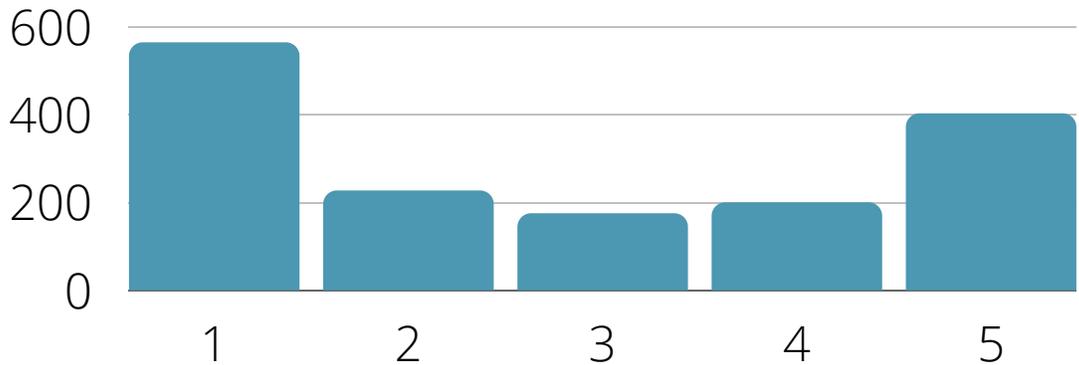
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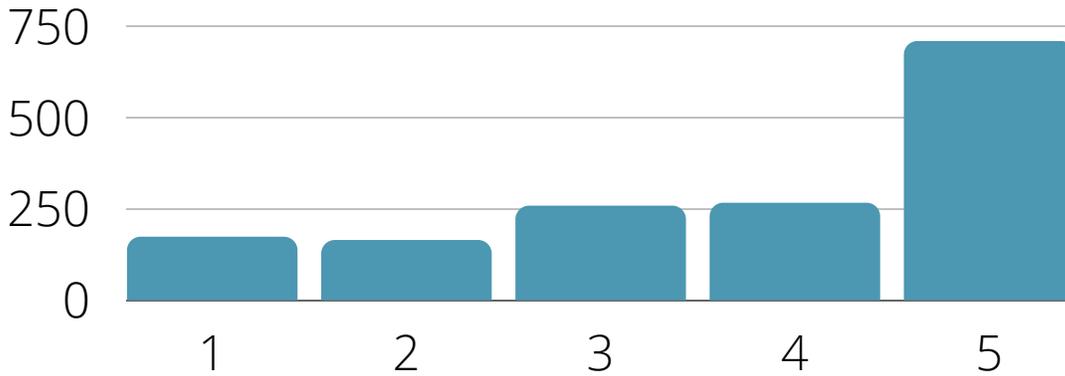
Parked scooters on sidewalks block the path of travel for pedestrians.



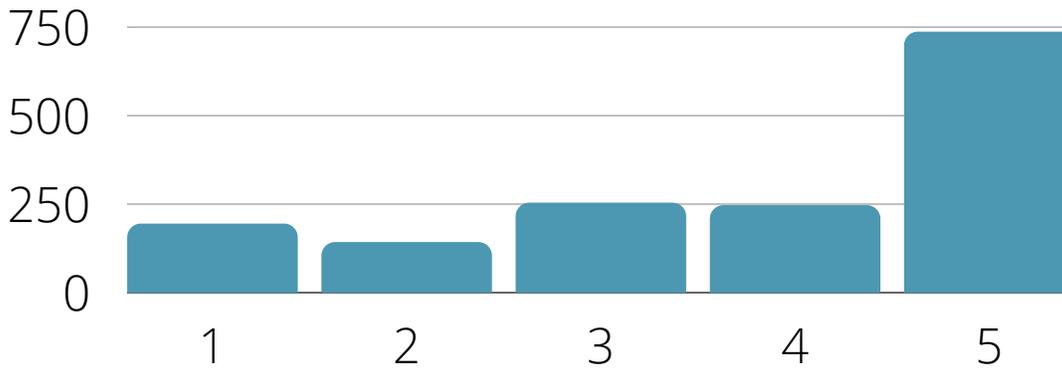
People scooting on the road are a safety risk to themselves and drivers.



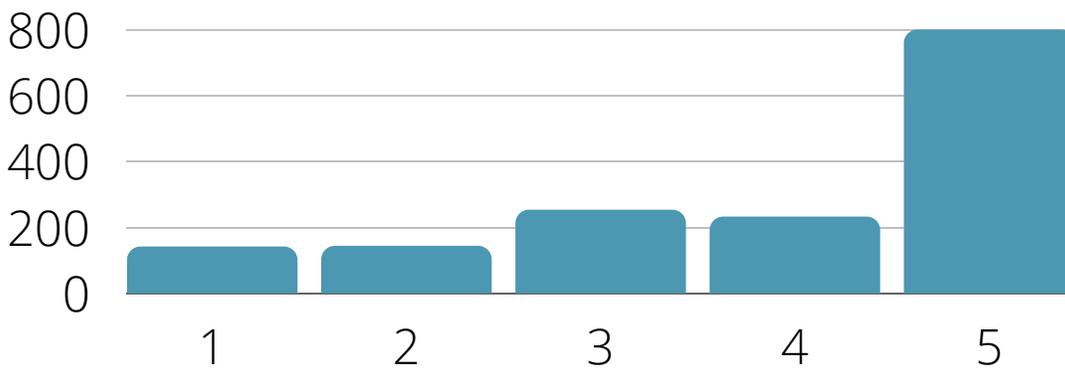
Scooters provide a "green" mobility option for people.



Scooters help customers get to businesses a little farther away than a walk trip, but close enough to not require a vehicle.



Scooters provide a fun activity for residents and visitors.



Additional Feedback

See following pages.

Additional feedback:

653 responses

Keep them!

Keep them!!!

Keep them

Love them!

I love see the Bird Scooters in Appleton and people riding them! I hope they will continue to grow in popularity and ease of use.

I feel as if these scooters are cluttering up the city. It would be nice if there were central pick up/drop off locations to prevent them from blocking the sidewalks in my neighborhood.

No one follows the rules with them downtown. I don't think they are necessary. A rental bike program would be a better fit for the area if there isn't one already.

Hope they stay!

Additional Feedback from Google Form:

Tired of seeing kids, very young kids, riding them. Tired of tripping over them. Tired of them riding down middle of Seymour St at 1130 PM with loud conversation. Have you asked the hospitals and doctors about injuries not necessarily reported to APD?

These things are an eyesore sitting parked in the way and on the grass wherever people drop them, and a distraction and a danger to drivers and pedestrians alike. I do not agree with them being in our city for any reason.

I love seeing them all over the place, not just in downtown. As long as we can keep people safe, I think they are super sweet.

They block sidewalks, making the city less ADA friendly

I really don't have a strong opinion.

The scooters are not for Appleton. They are not always sitting upright when not in use but laying on the ground. Can't be sure if kids are 18 that are riding them. Have concerns about the scooters being used on the sidewalks and on the roads. Not safe for the riders, drivers or pedestrians.

Scooters are often left in the middle of the sidewalk or partly blocking the end of the sidewalk that leads into the crosswalk. When out with my child who uses a wheelchair I've had to move these scooters so we can pass through.

I'm tired of picking these up and moving them. I'm tired of people almost hitting me while walking on College Avenue. I'm tired of seeing kids ride them together 2 at a time.

I don't understand why they aren't banned from sidewalks and College Avenue.

A lot of the scooters in appleton do not work properly and they are always not charged which leads to constantly switching them.

Loved these bad boys came to Appleton. Wish they would extend the radius more so I could take one from my house to the area. Overall, had an absolute blast riding them and I'm already excited for winter to pass to ride them in the spring/summer once again.

I love the Bird scooters!

Milwaukee has restrictions on water St during the weekends to prevent accidents and some other areas of geo-restrictions. You may want to look into this college av.

Keep scooters out of the parks, they are unsightly and provide a hazard for the employees working and mowing at the parks

Scooters make me very nervous on the roads/crossing intersections/as they come out of nowhere sometimes, and they also can get in the blind spot.

They are annoying Nd always in the way. Get rid of em.

Include bicycles in this discussion too please.

They are being left all over the place, I saw one in the middle of the road in my neighborhood. Yesterday, I drove to Little Chute on Wisconsin Ave, and one was parked halfway between Appleton and Little Chute. Drunk people use them on College Ave, which is dangerous enough, but some people also double ride on one scooter. I love the idea, but the city of Appleton needs to be more inclusive for alternative transportation. Put in a bike, scooter, skateboard lane in all popular streets to keep them off the sidewalk.

They look trashy left all over the city on sidewalks and other places for days. Many people are not responsible with them either.

It's hilarious that the "safety committee" found golf carts "too dangerous" and immediately used the tired "the first 12 year old who dies on a golf cart..." argument, but now these silly, dangerous, in licensed scooters are fine. Think about it, perhaps bar owners like them, but how do retailers benefit, I don't see people with shopping bags riding around, only underage kids with ATM cards.

I don't like when they leave them on my lawn. Ridiculous.

Love them

I think these are safer used on sidewalks as long as users are not riding fast in busy pedestrian areas. Think it's a great attraction for Appleton.

I've been seeing them in places that are most definitely not downtown Appleton (right off 441 at the Oneida exit) which seems a little odd. Other than them being just strewn about all over the sidewalks, usually in the middle of the sidewalk, I don't have a problem with them, but having to walk around them that are laying in the middle of the sidewalk, not off to the side, not using the kickstand are a nuisance.

These are a great addition to our city. I hope they stick around!

I see where they can be an issue for businesses with outdoor tables but I do feel that these scooters in the streets are a total disaster.

I live on College Ave and encounter scooters daily from the moment they arrived. I have witnessed scooter rider wipe outs, and several very close calls between scooter riders and pedestrians as well as scooters and vehicles. I personally had a scooter zoom past me at top speed while I was seated on a W. College Ave terrace bench. He caught the edge of the bench I was sitting on and wiped out directly in front of me. I read the scooter rules posted on the City FB page before the scooters were brought in. I can confidently say that none of the rules have been followed from day one. I have also not ever witnessed one incident of these rules being enforced. This has led to bicyclists, skateboarders and rollerbladers using the sidewalks as well. I do not blame them; if scooters are on the sidewalks with pedestrians without consequence, why can't they be? Unfortunately, I have been dreading the imminent moment (in my opinion it's going to happen eventually) when a scooter rider collides with a pedestrian leaving a downtown business or a scooter/vehicle collision. The potential injuries in either of these scenarios are frightening. I am all for green alternatives and salute efforts to this end, but I believe the negatives and potential injuries (or worse) FAR outweigh the benefits.

Seen a lot of scooters taken off of college Ave and left in neighborhoods. Scooters are not reliable as a transportation method since they could be anywhere at anytime. If the city is at all subsidizing their cost, that should stop; if people want them, they can pay for them.

I have seen about 70% of the people who use scooters zipping down the College Avenue sidewalks. This poses a risk to those walking, coming out of businesses, waiters and people dining on the avenue. I have not seen any enforcement. Perhaps there should be a printed notice on the scooter to remind users that sidewalk use on College Avenue will result in a (stated amount) fine.

I like the scooters as a way to get to downtown

Biased survey, questions worded so people pick options that means they're a problem

I think the scooters are a great and green method for transportation. Yes, some could argue that there are flaws with the system but those issues could be worked out. Maybe having stations for the scooters to come back to can help solve the issue of the scooters getting scattered around. Scooters on sidewalks? Maybe do a PSA or actually enforce the scooters to be ridden in the bike lane.

I think that the scooters are extremely valuable and do more good than harm for those who need it and can afford the convenience but I also think the city could do a much better job making sure rules are being followed.

get rid of them!

Moving to the area, my fiancé and I love the bird scooters! We drop our son off at daycare downtown and we sometimes hop on the bird scooters and explore Downtown Appleton stopping at local businesses we see along the way. It sparks conversations with community members that are intrigued by the scooters and how they can get connected as well! I wish these Bird scooters were in Oshkosh WI as well!

I overall am a big fan and have used them many times, especially when my car was in the shop. I do think helping people understand how to ensure they do not impede sidewalk travel for those in wheelchairs or other movement aiding devices is very important though

I don't like how scooters are left all over the city. It looks trashy.

the scooters are very good

We should keep them. It promotes green travel options and gives tourists something new to do in the area.

The scooters were a really fun addition to the summer and made Appleton a better place to live!!

I'd rather see Appleton do a bike share with docking stations. Also, invest in better bike infrastructure. As a bike commuter, i want more green transportation, but the scooters are a pain. I almost hit one that got dumped in a bike lane, and I am tired of them blocking sidewalks because people can't be bothered to park them out of the way. If users were more responsible, maybe this would work, but this far users have proven to be assholes.

Keep them

There are not enough especially on the northern part of the area by Nortland Ave

People are reckless on these scooters. They look like litter lying all over town. Riders are not considerate at all when it comes to parking the scooters.

Although the Bird scooters are prohibited from downtown sidewalks, they are regularly used there, the ban is not enforced, they present a significant danger to pedestrians, and hazards to sidewalk eatery consumers and employees. When Bird users are told they are not allowed on the sidewalks downtown, they laugh or utter profanities. This is not conducive to the central entertainment district, and will drive away businesses and their patrons in the long run.

I find the scooters hazardous to the riders and the pedestrians

The scooters left scattered around the city to include on random sidewalks, parking lots, and people's lawns when use is done ruins the appeal of Appleton. Scooters get dumped everywhere and it's annoying for businesses and homeowners to deal with because Bird doesn't pick any up in an appropriate amount of time. In my opinion Appleton (specifically on College Ave) is small enough for people to walk and there is absolutely no need to continue on with Bird.

Scooters should NOT be ridden on sidewalks downtown, but they are. I really worry about when scooters are left in the middle of sidewalks (happens frequently), making it impossible for those in wheelchairs to pass. Even parents with strollers have to move them while they "scream" - not great for a parent with a sleeping baby. I have seen many younger-than-supposed-to-be-allowed people riding them unsafely. (Related: should helmets be required/encouraged, as with bikes?) I don't think most people are using them "to get a little farther away than a walk trip but close enough to not require a vehicle" - from what I see, I think they are mostly used recreationally. (How "green" are they? Are the batteries "green"?)

Keep the scooters!

Love birds!

Scooters are frequently abandoned along sidewalks and paths, looking like civilian clutter. I've seen them abandoned in the middle of the street. They are a hazard to our community members who travel on scooters or wheelchairs due to disabilities. They are a tripping hazard to our visually impaired/blind community members who travel on sidewalks and walking paths. They do nothing to bring commerce to our city. Please consider discontinuing this non-service. It is not beneficial for Appleton. It is only benefiting the Bird man.

Too expensive

Great way to promote green mobility, explore Appleton and support the owner who is an Appleton native.

They are great

Found laying in the yard. Almost hit an operator that was riding on the sidewalk but never stopped when crossing traffic.

Please don't take away the scooters, as a person who doesn't have a car, this is a GREAT option

Keep!

They are the nearest thing ever

If we are trying to create a safe accessible community we can't have bird scooters parked in walkways. I have seen people in wheelchairs forced to navigate around scooters left parked in the middle of sidewalks. A blind man regularly walks around Erb Park and I can't imagine the difficulty he faces with scooters randomly set around. I don't let my kids park their bikes on the sidewalk because it's a hazard and inconsiderate, and yet the city allows scooters to be left haphazardly on sidewalks. This has to end. The scooters are a horrible move backwards for creating equal access and accessibility.

Love the scooters!!!

I absolutely love the birds!

It would be nice to see the city allow golf carts, and ATV's on the streets as well. I live 2 miles from work and an ATV would be a much easier and environmentally friendly alternative to using my 3/4 ton truck.

I'm against keeping the scooters. They just leave them lay in the middle of the sidewalks. Scooters leave little room for packages when shopping from a scooter. I've only seen young people having a ball riding them...then leaving them lay.

Waste of money

Great company

The scooters should definitely be allowed for sidewalk use or a "bike lane" should be created for them

Would like to see a small spot for them instead of them thrown on the sidewalk.

No one follows the rules with them downtown. I don't think they are necessary. A rental bike program would be a better fit for the area if there isn't one already.

Scooters are great and if a person needs to get somewhere quick and prefer not to walk, these are a great option. See them being used all the time.

Love them for getting around downtown. Hope they stay.

As a small business owner downtown who regularly speaks with a wide range of citizens. I have yet to hear a single positive comment about the scooters. They are generally seen as a terrible addition to our community and I hear from visitors from other communities around the country who wish their communities would get rid of them. Just last week someone on a scooter crashed into one of my outside tables. Luckily it was unoccupied at the time, but the next time, that may not be the case. Why we would approve anything that can bring harm to citizens and small business is beyond me.

I've seen these scooters parked in the middle on driveways and parking lots. Unsafe for vehicles.

To be honest they have been great for my Husband and I to get out and do something without using gas or a real vehicle. It got us out and doing stuff together and I hope they stay.

There have been a significant number of near miss accidents. Employees attempting to serve patrons on the amenity strips should not have to fear being struck by an object traveling 15+mph on the sidewalk. Enforcement and education is also not a viable solution as individuals will continue to utilize the scooters on the sidewalks.

Appleton is not a pedestrian friendly city despite its best efforts.

It does not allow for this type of transportation without a significant change of focus towards pedestrians.

I wish the scooters were NOT allowed be ridden on College Avenue...oh wait...they AREn't allowed on College Ave? who knew? Not the riders! They ride as if they own the sidewalk...walkers be damned! Appleton has tried to create a nice entertainment district downtown but the scooters deter from the nice atmosphere. I should not have to leave a store/restaurant/bar and look both ways as I exit so I am NOT run over by one. And when you do get run over by one, the riders act as if you are in the wrong and in THEIR way. It's insane! I used to enjoy sitting outside at various establishments on the Ave but no more. If you inform the riders of the "supposed" city policy about where they can ride they laugh in your face. Then they come back just to harass you. We have enough empty store fronts on the Ave today. We need to get rid of the scooters or at least enforce the "no College Ave" riding, or we may start losing more downtown businesses and end up with even more empty buildings. I'd be interested to know how many of the scooters are used to really get from one place to another more quickly that walking. I see them being used more for just fun by folks in the evenings when I get downtown.

I also hope that the additional feedback you are receiving is taken seriously when looking at the results of this survey. It's written so that your results encourage a positive response. No one is asked here if they've been injured by the Byrd...or whether they've injured someone else while riding the Byrd. No questions about why/when you use the Byrd.

Suggestion....If Byrds are here to stay and they are not supposed to be ridden on College Ave, do NOT place them on the Ave to begin with.

I've seen them just sitting randomly all over town in the strangest of places

People need to follow rules. I shouldn't be dodging scooters while walking downtown or tripping over them...

While driving around the city of Appleton some folks that ride on the Bird scooter don't like to follow the laws/ ordinance's. I have come close to hitting one that didn't think they had to stop at a red stop light when I had a green light. I also see these scooters all over the city from the very south side of appleton and to the east. Those folks just drop them and let them lay because they don't care about them. I truly feel they are a waste of money to the city and that money could be used else where.

Every time I have seen these scooters, people are riding way to fast too close to pedestrians. They are typically left fallen over in the middle of the sidewalk

These are cool and I want them forever saved me plenty of Ubers

Bird scooters are great, keep them in Appleton.

I love these! Gives another "big city" feel in Appleton. An adorable green option for those not able or wanting to commute by car. Please keep them!

They are great but the area you're allowed to travel seems a little bigger than it should be

They are scaring people off the sidewalks and away from stores. The people riding them disregard the rules and ride on the sidewalks. No place for them without a dedicated scooter lane.

Only teenagers and drunks ride these. No shoppers use them, as there isn't anyplace for packages, purses, etc.

Please continue to keep these scooters around! They made my summer a lot more enjoyable.

Keep them - they're a lot of fun, it's nice to have the option if you need to get someplace fast (I've ridden them for fun AND convenience :)), and I don't think it's much more dangerous than riding a bike. They're not really much greener, since we need to charge the batteries using electricity generated by coal or nat gas burning plants (just the proverbial longer tailpipe) and cars come by to pick them up to charge them, but they do take cars off the road, and anytime we can do that, I believe it's a good thing.

Kudos to our fellow Appletonian who started the company!

They are parked and left in some really inconsiderate places.

The Bird Scooters are a fantastic mobility option in Appleton

Take them away.

I love see the Bird Scooters in Appleton and people riding them! I hope they will continue to grow in popularity and ease of use.

A blight and a nuisance. Riders flaunt the ordinance requirements.

Don't like that they are just haphazardly left all over the city. Many times they are left on the sidewalks which could be a tripping hazard for people not looking for them.

I love them. They're great for getting around and also just for fun!

For what you get it is not worth it. Y you put in into more issues than it is worth. You end up stranded.

I have nearly been run into more than once on the sidewalk on College Ave. because the rules prohibiting riding them on the sidewalk aren't enforced. The downsides FAR outweigh the upsides with these scooters. I think the city should get rid of them.

The novelty does not outweigh the negative aesthetic of these things lying on the sidewalks and streets of our city. Not to mention that they are not a reliable or convenient transportation method.

Not near as "green" as walking; I've walked College from Richmond to Drew and back. Now I avoid downtown (and its businesses) and go to Fox River Mall instead.

I really like the idea of micro mobility. I hope they stay around and more walk/bike centric Infrastructure continues to be built.

Most riders are not following rules of the road.

Anonymous

They look like trash littering the city sidewalks and private property.

Overall I have seen most people use them appropriately I have seen a few that have done questionable things with them.

Scooters are frequently left in areas that are a nuisance, road sides and even in the road, middle of sidewalks/paths, and areas where another user is unlikely to retrieve them such as parking lots of vacant businesses.

Love these scooters and would love to see them return next year!!

Too many scooters on residential sidewalks blocking way for strollers to go through with going on the grass.

I feel like they are cluttering up our city

No reason not to have them, they are fun and popping up in every city!

Don't like seeing abandoned scooters

I REALLY love the bird scooters and how much they help with traveling!

Scooters are a bad answer to a bigger problem. They do not solve the issue of Appleton being inaccessible to people without cars. This town is unfortunately built around vehicles, not people, and a deeper institutional change needs to happen to fix that, not a handful of dumb scooters.

Why aren't people required to wear helmets. Scooters are being dumped all over town including private property.

Great privilege to the community! Thank you!

These scooters make Appleton a more accessible and more joyful place! I mean accessibility in terms of getting to businesses, for people that can't afford cars, and mobility for a multi generational crowd. Lawrence students use them to experience other parts of Appleton which is fantastic. I don't have any problem with them being ridden on the sidewalks because I think the street is a more dangerous place for a scooter rider. As long as people are riding at a speed at which they can slow down to allow for pedestrian safety. I think a longer trial might be helpful to track data. . It takes a while to integrate an idea into a culture. Scooters have been a very positive change, and perhaps we need a more extended phasing -in time. Don't get rid of them yet!

There should be locations where they are dropped off. They are everywhere.

I've been really frustrated with these scooters, particularly after dark, and I have trouble seeing the benefit of keeping them.

These scooters need to go!! Danger to sidewalk users. Saw someone drive one into a store. Absolutely ridiculous!!

Parking stations would be nice.

I have almost been run over twice

They are laying around all over town. People do not treat them well. Waste of money.

Sharing programs are the way of the future.

I will throw every one I see in the road. These are absolutely pain in the ass scooters. I hate them with a passion. I will throw everyone in the fox river and run over every one I see with my truck. Ban these stupid fucking scooters.

They look tacky just laying everywhere

I've used the Bird scooter 4-5 times. Our city is littered with them. They need to go.

I like the availability of the scooters. They're great for tourists, visitors, and families. But maybe there are too many of them because it seems like most of the time they're being unused.

I know there was an attempt when the bird scooters first arrived to keep them off the sidewalks in the downtown area. It didn't feel like people using the scooters honored that for very long and signage requesting it has since been taken down. It feels hypocritical to allow the scooters access to the sidewalks and other areas around College ave when bicycles are prohibited. Scooters and bicycles should be treated the same when it comes to regulation/accessibility. I love the idea of people having access and benefiting from scooters, but the execution seems like it needs work. I have less issue with people riding the scooters than I do with them being left on corners where it makes it difficult for people in wheelchairs or people who are site impaired to navigate around them.

Too many riding on downtown sidewalks

It's so awesome to see members of the community using a shared resource. I've seen them used in all neighborhoods by all types of people. They seem especially useful for people who may need to get somewhere quickly but can't afford a car or Uber.

It's a nice thing to have. Don't let the people who complain about everything ruin it for the rest of us please.

Love them! Love the concept

i love that the city is trying new accessibility options- these scooters are just not great

People didn't follow the rules of not riding on the College Ave sidewalks. If they ride on other side walks usually not an issue

I think in theory this is a great idea unfortunately just poorly executed. I hate seeing them line all over the place on the sidewalks in the boulevards you name it.

I'm a 50 yr old resident. Born right here. Don't listen to the old fuddy duddies and snobs around here. This is progress. Communities with more public transportation options grow.

Keep them!

As long as wheel chairs have access to sidewalks

I don't personally use them, but they seem to be overall beneficial to those that do. I don't mind them at all.

Drivers need to be educated. They don't own the roads. This goes for any mode of transportation (walking or biking)

Love the scooters

Keep the scooters.

Great scooters always have fun riding them hehehe

They are unsafe to all involved and need to go

I love the scooters! I've used them in bigger cities, and I'm glad they are now in Appleton. I do wish people would ride them on the sidewalks if there are no bike paths instead of actually with traffic on the road. There have been times that riders try to squeeze in right next to cars, and it gets too tight. Maybe some signs on the stretch between Green Bay Rd/Alton St and Drew St would solve this. I love seeing high school kids ride them to school. I also like seeing couples riding them for fun down by the river. People like to complain, and the scooters are new, so it's something to complain about. It reminds me of when we got the Northland, E College Ave, and John St roundabouts and people were so upset. Now people are used to them and things are fine. We could use even more roundabouts in the city. Anyway, the complainers tend to have the loudest voices, and it would be a shame if they ended all the convenience and fun of the scooters. Save the scooters!

you could add parking requirements, like making people lock them to a pole or bike lock. this is standard practice in many larger cities that utilise birds

They seem to be a good idea, but may be a little pricey.

When used properly and as intended, they're good. Unfortunately many don't use them properly, don't park them properly and don't respect pedestrians so that makes them a problem. This is the case with many things and the glitches get worked out so I'm hoping these scooters get a fair chance and assessment.

This is regarding the electric scooters. From what I have noticed around town, is that the scooters are no longer being parked on the sidewalk which is good but now that are being parked in the car parking spaces on the streets.

This does not seem like the proper because it takes up a space for a car. In addition, the one I saw was in front of St. Therese on Summer Street. This may or may not have been a handicapped parking spot but was one of the closes space to the church entrance.

I actually haven't seen one being used but I do see them in the most random spots throughout the city. I think they're more of an eyesore than anything. The chances of them being convenient for someone to access businesses further away seems like a stretch. Isn't this why we have a public bus system? Every time we have come across one, it was left in an inconsiderate spot. Its unfortunate that those who have used them are the ones who make ruined my opinion of them.

We like seeing them around the neighborhoods and are excited when we find one that is very far from downtown. Our kids have their own electric scooter that they use to get places but I prefer then using the sidewalk than the road.

There should be an option where people have to return them to a specific pick up/drop off point or have to continue paying if they do not return them. These scooters are also being left on very random places and residents front yards.

My family and I very much enjoyed these as an option, and as a way to get to see more of downtown than what one normally sees. I would like to see them back.

I love the scooters! Is there an option to make them "switch off" on college avenue so people don't ride them on sidewalk? That is the only place with issue as there are many pedestrians walking and some people either don't know or don't care and are riding there. Otherwise super fun way to see the town or get places without a car.

Who is cleaning the handles of the scooters? I would not touch one personally.

They are so much fun to ride!

Illegal for roadway operation as unregistered and not a bicycle or motor bicycle. Too fast for sidewalk and not aesthetically pleasing with scooters parked everywhere. Juveniles operating them without training too.

They are already banned on college, why ban them anywhere else?

I haven't ridden on one yet myself. But I often go running and my son rides on his scooter. Once or so every other week a scooter is left someplace where I have to noticeably move around it. It's mildly annoying. If I were in a wheelchair it would likely be rather hard to move. A few times I've seen them at the side of the rode, where they could definitely be a safety hazard for a person on a bike, and possibly for cars. So doing something to encourage people to do a better job of parking them out of the way would be a good idea. But the people on scooters usually look like they're having a really fun time. They look like they're legitimately enjoying themselves. They don't seem any more or less safe than people on bikes or other types of scooters. And they do make it easier for people who are walking to get further, faster, if they need to. This could help more people walk places they might not otherwise walk, knowing that if they're tired or late, they'll probably pass a scooter they could take. So overall, I'd say keep them around.

The mess of them lying around and noncompliance on major sidewalks like on College Ave is an issue that needs resolution. Danger when they are in heavily walked areas and on the streetscape. Maybe next we need a refugee tent village next to City Hall

Iys laughable that we do not allow bike or skate oard travel on sidewalk amd force childeren to. No longer enjoy the outside of the city they live in but to allow the scooter to do so thru payment is a disgusting capitalist scheme and appleton should be ashamed of themselves.

You ticket and fone children for fun but encourage payed tourism.

You as a city disgust me.

I have only ever seen the bird ridden on a sidewalk. And I can't imagine it being ridden in the street given the speed. I love the idea but without a bike lane, it's not safe.

Stay!!

I've heard more stories of people getting hurt, not following rules, or leaving these in areas that disrupt natural flow of traffic/pedestrians than I have of the positives.

The scooters are left everywhere, including on people's yards (I have several mowing customers where the scooters are left in their yards), and left at random they make the city look nasty. They're annoying.

allow personal electric vehicles as well.

I think they're a great addition to downtown, I just wish some of the people who use them were a little more courteous.

They make the city look messy.

keep them coming!

I don't see them being a nuisance so far, but frankly, I don't see them being used all that often either. There's not any real utility to them other than for fun.

Overall I saw very few issues having the scooters around. I hope they stay and expand to neighboring communities

Some of the slow zones have caused major issues like almost crashing because you are not looking at your phone when these areas appear.

They look trashy being left all around town. Much of the time they are left in the middle of sidewalks requiring people to walk around them. They also are being left on peoples personal property.

This has been the most fun my husband and I have had. It's so affordable and we have explored more parts of the city then ever before.

I love bird I have a medical issue and I'm trying to get more exercise I found now that I can walk down town and it's more of a one-way trip because as soon as I grab a bird I can scoot right back home without any issues it's amazing and it's gotten me to take a lot more walks than I would have without it

Keep them.

I am very concerned with these motorized bicycles also. I see them riding around the neighborhood using sidewalks. Bike lanes are seldom used. Just another City boondoggle. It has nothing to do with safety when something is used less than 1% of the time and completely ignores pedestrian safety. I use these pedestrian lights installed on East College Avenue daily. The stop rate by vehicles is 50%. Start paying attention to the safety of pedestrians, after all walking is the best exercise.

I do not understand why rules were published on the City's FB page and then never followed. I read all the rules and went back to review them less than a week after the scooters arrived. According to the rules, scooters were not to be ridden on College Avenue sidewalks between Mason and Drew. On day one, the scooters were placed for use on College & Morrison. So that rule was not followed from minute 1. I live right downtown and see scooter use every day. I have never seen any rules enforced in any way.

Nothing motorized should distract or endanger walker's or handicapped people in their Appleton experience.

You have to pay to use them so people could just pay for a cab ect. Plus I'm sorry but I think think these scooters being left all over the city look trashy. They are put wherever standing, thrown on the ground, and in the way of people using sidewalks. I would love to see these jokes go away.

I don't feel the scooters are any different than bicycles as far as riding on the road or being parked on sidewalks. These scooters are a great addition to the city of Appleton and are very fun to ride.

The scooters help our city be a modern with modern modes of transportation. The select few complaining should not dictate how the mass wants and if there is a market let them be. Also where do we stop, are we really going to prohibit citizens rights to use scooters and bikes?

These are a fun addition to our downtown! I hope the few who seem to not like fun can get over it!

When you see them parked along a stretch of sidewalks that they are not allowed on. I have to wonder why? Is it because they are not being used in areas that they are allowed on? So now they park them there to drum up business? 1) "People scooting on sidewalks are a safety risk to people walking?" If they are not then they wouldn't be banned on College Ave. Where the majority are parked. 2) "Parked scooters on sidewalks block the path of travel for pedestrians?" Of course they are. And not just parked, they are laying down on the ground. Just drive around Appleton and you see it. 3) "People scooting in the road are a safety risk to themselves and drivers?" The same could be for bikers, which is one of the good reasons for bike lanes. But with the scooters, there is the learning factor of people never having ridden one. Thus they are wobbly, enough so that they seem like they could easily fall off in front of my car! You shouldn't encourage people to do something that has high risks, because when you do they think it's safe. Yes I have seen riders fall off. They may not report it, but it does happen. 4) Scooters provide a "green" mobility option for people?" This is to me a deceiving question. No doubt it's a 'Green' transportation. One could argue the points of electrical charging ect. But instead I ask why this question at all? If the city wanted to offer a 'Green' technology then shouldn't the entire fleet of public transportation be that? This question seems more to segregate the haters. 5) "Scooters help customers get to businesses a little farther away than a walk trip, but close enough to not require a vehicle?" Seriously? If you are going to ask this, then I have an issue with all the parking ramps downtown. 6) If you cannot walk a few blocks, then you should not park downtown. That's about how far you walk to get out of the ramp. If you cannot walk a few blocks you probably shouldn't ride a scooter because you may not have the balance necessary. 7) "Scooters provide a fun activity for residents and visitors?" So this is an attempt at being like a 'Bay Beach' ride in Green Bay? It may be 'fun' for some people. Everyone is different. Come to Appleton to ride the scooters!! Fall off at your own risk??

Love these

Are you trying to discourage people from walking? We've seen scooters abandoned on sidewalks and in bike/parking lanes. While attending church downtown, my husband and son were almost hit by a rider on the sidewalk. And my husband almost ran over an abandoned scooter that was in the road at night. We find them abandoned on sidewalks way over by Telulah Ave. and E. Bluebird Lane. Appleton used to be a charming college town but city leaders are trying to make it a big city.

Kind of expensive for those it would most benefit ie people without a car or other means of transportation. And no one is going to carry groceries, etc, on the scooter.

Please get rid of them or police them more

You had signs that said no scooters on downtown sidewalks and you couldn't enforce it. Why keep them if law enforcement doesn't have the means to keep them off the streets

Keep the birds, just change some regulations to keep people safe

To reduce parking problems bird must add mandatory virtual or material parking zones in the app

Keep them!

Scooters provide a reasonably priced option for students and low income residents to travel through the city more quickly than walking and with city bus options being cut we need options for people trying to get to work.

I'm frustrated with the amount of scooters laying around in yards, in my driveway, and in roadways. They are a hazard and clutter the town.

Would like to see electric bikes also..... need more bike lanes and less multiple lane roads.

We need to find a way to keep them off of College Avenue!

I absolutely love this program. I love everything it stands for I just wish there was a better way to leave them when people are finished. I know the bike lane isn't a great idea or in the middle of the sidewalk! I hope this program stays around for a long time!

Some scooters get destroyed easily, and some when finding them on roads trying to ride one's are dead

Keep them!!!!!! Being green means multiple modes of transport. Our city needs options like this that keep people outside and exploring their city. People on side walks and patio dining can learn to cohabit

Serious attention to parking when not in use. Blocking pathways and sidewalks limits others who use other forms of electric mobility.

My boyfriend and I have used the scooters several times. They are extremely fun. People are upset about them just being "left anywhere" but that is what is supposed to happen with them. You leave them on the sidewalk. We live near downtown Appleton and they are normally gone within two days when we use them.

I think it puts Appleton into the right direction! Looking Green and progressive. I feel that the bad stigma is of the very few people yo 'mess around' it gives them all a bad name. The elder generation likes to call it messy, but the younger generations whom work downtown and frequent downtown love it. Ots green, it's modern and it's convenient.

I believe the scooters are great as long as people are responsible. I think they should be allowed on sidewalks it seems dangerous to have them by cars. They should be safe and fun for everyone as long as people pay attention when they ride as they should be anyway

We live near downtown and see them being used all over. As long as they are being used keep them

Extremely hazardous and absolutely not worth the risk to the operator and especially pedestrians and patrons of local businesses.

There should be certain places they are allowed to be left Not just anywhere

We love the scooters!!

In general, I believe scooters are being used to have fun with rather than a means for transportation. I live in a residential neighborhood and the scooters are often left on the side walk and occasionally in the road or by a driveway. This does provide obstacles for people to drive around and families pushing strollers on the sidewalks. I do not believe scooters are necessary for Appleton. I also am not sure how the funding works for them, but if the city of Appleton is providing funds for the scooters, I do not believe that is a wise use of funds, especially in these economic times.

If pedestrians gets hit on a sidewalk downtown, do they sue the city and police department for not enforcing scooter riding effectively?

Seems to me that people like to use these when drunk, which is a great alternative to driving, however they end up posing a risk to themselves and others by not taking safety precautions. I.e riding in the road on busy streets, or taking the scooters in other places they shouldn't be.

People are going to complain anytime there is something new. Our society is changing, it's just a question of are we going to change with it, or be left behind.

They look like fun, people seem to enjoy them

PLEASE keep them!!!

These scooters pose a serious accessibility problem when they're left in the middle of sidewalks. Their anti-theft alarms make them difficult to move out of the way when I do see them blocking walkways. Appleton could invest in other kinds of infrastructure to encourage the use of alternative modes of transportation, which I would fully support! But these scooters aren't it.

They encourage irresponsible activity. They are a menace to neighborhoods where they get left.

I think they're a great addition to Appleton to help attract more young professionals. Its great to see Appleton moving in the right direction.

I love the scooters!

It's annoying that they are left on peoples yards blocks away from downtown. I know that homeowners must be frustrated that they have to move those when they are mowing their lawns and such.

Wonderful addition to our growing community

Get them!

I like the scooters, but they should have designated places around town to leave them so they aren't just left everywhere

Keep them

They are only beneficial to the city. Pedal bicycles would be great as well as Madison has them.

I see scooters sitting in the same spots on sidewalks for days on end. Other times I've had close calls with kids on these scooters not obeying traffic laws and darting into traffic.

Tired of people leaving them in the middle of sidewalks and the middle of Oneida st bridge.

When someone who runs a light on a scooter gets hit, maybe the city will pay more attention to how they are being used. Doesn't matter if they are on the sidewalk or road, people riding them are not obeying traffic laws.

The scooters are a fun addition to the city. I haven't had any issues with users on the street or scooters left on sidewalks when the ride is over.

Love them!

I am in college in Appleton and so many people here do not have a car and they are a great benefit for us :)

Keep !!

A eyesore for being left everywhere

I'm a supporter of green transportation-- my family commutes by bike and foot whenever possible. In my experience, Bird Scooters haven't been a boon to safe, sustainable, transportation in Appleton. I have rarely seen the Bird scooters used or stored safely. Riders are almost always without helmets and often don't follow road rules. I have seen cars screech to a halt to avoid running over kids on Bird Scooters zipping through intersections without checking traffic. I've dragged Bird scooters off sidewalks to clear the way for pedestrians. I've seen Bird Scooters left strewn across Erb Park.

Having visited cities like Paris, where scooters present major safety challenges, I worry that increased shared scooter use in Appleton will continue to pose problems. Yes, the Bird company encourages users to follow the law and use common sense, but encouragement does not equal enforcement.

In essence, if we allow a 'shared' scooter company to continue to operate as it has been thus far, then that company reaps a financial benefit that far outweighs its cost to the community. The Bird company isn't paying for enforcement. And they're not offering transportation to those without credit cards and smart phones. The Bird company is asking us, the citizens of Appleton, to share our public green spaces, our sidewalks, and even our front lawns so that it can allow its paying users to leave scooters wherever they wish. Scooter riders pose risks to pedestrians and to themselves, and parked scooters are hazards in the walkways and often eyesores in city parkways and parks.

KEEP THEM please just keep them. I bet people whining are ones that drive by and don't even go downtown often if they are so bothered by something so little. But yes, the sidewalks need to be clear.

The only qualms I have are the scooters being left in random places and blocking sidewalks

The city should really focus on how to make downtown College Ave safer for birds, bikes, and skateboards to travel on the road instead of just cutting the bird program. Being able to use these modes of transport downtown is very obviously desired yet isn't allowed on the sidewalk and doesn't feel safe on the road. It would feel much more accessible for walkers and non car drivers to have angled parking in the center of the road, then two lanes of traffic each way, then a bike/bird lane on the outside. This should be attainable within the fixed space.

They are an eyesore and dangerous!

Having had Bird's on my college campus for several years, I can attest to how often they are left/parked 1) far away from downtown and/or 2) parked in car spaces, the road, and other spaces that causes them to be a hinderance and an eye sore. I strongly disliked them being added to my campus sophomore year. I have likewise been equally displeased with them being in Appleton.

We've seen an uptick of smashed faces in our healthcare office as a result of scooter accidents. A majority of these accidents happen when the rider is intoxicated. Personally I'm indifferent, but the risk of intoxicated people riding the scooters is not a great look for the city of Appleton. The app is not especially user friendly to get a scooter unlocked and riding

I haven't allowed my kids to try them because of having to download the app, pay for them, and the fact that we dont have helmets. Its a tease for my children

This isn't something that the city should fund and they create a problem on the sidewalks.

These scooters are a big hit in bigger metropolitan areas. If Appleton wants to be seen as a destination it needs to offer amenities that lager areas have. Such as scooters.

It'd be nice to see these restricted to a certain radius of College Ave. They're being left all over the city.

I think they make our city look trashy when the scooters are just left laying around town. I would be frustrated finding them on my lawn. I am thankful I do not live with in the scooter limits.

I don't like seeing kids under 16 riding them. If you can't enforce the rules they should not be here.

I live on the SE side of Appleton, and our neighborhood frequently has these scooters left on the sidewalks in front of various houses. Sometimes they are tipped on their sides, completely blocking the walkway. They are a hassle to walk around when I am walking my dog, and the abandoned scooters make the neighborhood look messy.

I have no issues with people riding them, but just leaving them wherever it's convenient is not a good idea. I also do not think my tax dollars should subsidize something like this. (To be fair, I don't know if they city is subsidizing the scooters or not.)

In the areas outside the downtown area, I have always seen bird scooters abandoned in the middle of the sidewalk. Other bicycle riders and pedestrians have needed to ride or walk around them. Where are the bird scooter riders told to leave the scooters? I do not think they are safe, as those who ride them seem to treat the experience as playing. I have not liked them from the beginning. Thank you for providing this survey.

I've seen similar things in other cities. Bikes and scooters laying everywhere. It's an eyesore. Also I saw 5-6 juveniles south of Calumet St on these. I assume they are not meant to be that far from downtown.

Love them!

I use these in every big city I go to. It's nice to have the option in a small city

The scooters are a bonus to our downtown.. They complement the thriving Avenue.

I think they could potentially be beneficial, but there need to be better, clearer rules regarding where they can/cannot be driven and parked. I have seen them left in horrible places all over town.

I have seen them left in my neighborhood for several days on the sidewalk. I also saw one left on Grande Market Drive for several days and this is far from downtown.

I live near Wisconsin and Drew and even up here they get parked blocking sidewalks. I've never seen one (out of downtown) that wasn't parked in such a way as to block passage for folks with limited mobility.

I'm not against the scooters. I would like the city to require that users park them in designated racks that are out of the way of pedestrians and scooter/wheelchair users.

They are a nuisance to downtown

Cost is a bit too high. Cheaper to just ride a bike at its current rates.

My only problem is seeing the scooters laying around on sidewalks and in yards. I think it's an eyesore.

I think my only concern with the scooters is that people leave them in the middle of the sidewalk which may cause a problem for people with wheelchairs.

I think the scooters are more of a nuisance than of benefit to the public. When not in use they are often in the way of pedestrians. When they are in use, should they be on the sidewalk? Bikes aren't allowed on sidewalks downtown, why should scooters be allowed? When they're ridden in the street, I'm not confident the drivers will signal their intentions or hold their lane properly. The small wheels look like they would have a hard time dealing with the numerous cracks and potholes on our deteriorating city streets.

I have been far less bothered by the bird scooters than I expected to be, although many people do not obey the walk-your-wheels rule on college Ave sidewalks.

This is a national company, Appleton is not the first city to have it. Allow the company to exist and stop being difficult.

They can be used hazardously but they are a great thing for the city of Appleton to have. As a Lawrence student I know so many people rely on these to get downtown to places like Walgreens.

These scooters seem to litter the residential neighbor hoods around college. They are just parked randomly on my street now.

I would like the scooters to stay but the parking on a sidewalk is a huge accessibility issue that has to be addressed. Right now the scooters are difficult to move out of the way if someone irresponsibly leaves them blocking a sidewalk.

Anything to reduce the amount of cars on the road is a benefit!

I don't understand why we don't have sharable bikes. They make more sense than scooters.

Not a fan of the scooters.

I have not seen these

It's a great time very accessible easy to use

Enjoy riding them but they are a little bit expensive so I don't think I will continue to ride very often. As well as it is very hard to find them since they end up all over and when you finally find one the battery is dead!

The scooters are an issue because people ride them recklessly downtown. I don't think a large portion of users are able to be mature about riding them from what I've seen. It's also unfortunate and looks unsightly that people leave them all over the city. I don't think they should be in Appleton anymore.

They are a major obstacle on sidewalks with very little upside. How do you expect pro with mobility issues to get around scooters parked in walkways? The scooters are horrible and have to go.

I have appreciated the additional transportation option, however I still worry about injuries and would like to see helmets included as I've seen in other communities. I also noticed that scooters will only be in a specific location for one or two days before being relocated back to College ave. While I recognize that College Ave is likely where the greatest use of the scooters takes place, it seems like they are not spread out well throughout the area, particularly on Wisconsin Ave. which is still well in the range.

Death traps. Get rid of them.

They are a significant benefit to the area.

These pose a serious accessibility/mobility issue, especially when they're discarded on walkways and sidewalks. We need to invest in infrastructure for pedestrians and cyclists instead.

I haven't had a chance to ride them yet... I live in Oshkosh, Wisconsin... But Everytime I hear about them or see them, people are having so much fun... Teens are using them to travel and they are happy to pay... At least they are not riding around smoking those blunt things with a car full of kids... I would like to use them for my family to get a closer view of Appleton, there is so much to learn here .. so much history to see and I just don't have time to walk it all... Parking is ok but not as convenient as the scooters. it would be nice if I could find them a bit farther away from downtown. Thank you for your time and consideration...

Keep them!

Bad Idea. Who's paying the insurance.

I personally think it's a waste of time and resources, and I think people are careless with them.

Keep the scooters!!!!

I have seen too many of these laying in the front lawns of houses in my neighborhood, or being left on the sidewalk for days before someone moves them. If these are here to stay, I would like to see some designated parking areas for these scooters.

When they've been abandoned by the rider, they look like discarded garbage on the side walk.

Scooters littered over the city -- Not Cool

The scooters have become a nuisance. They are consistently left in the middle of sidewalks seemingly close to nothing. In addition, since College Ave does not have a bike lane the scooters are either on the sidewalks, which causes a risk for walkers, or in one of the vehicle lanes, which can really slow down traffic and cause safety issues for themselves.

The more modes of transportation we can embrace the better. Scooters, bikes, rollerblades, etc. The bigger issue is distracted car drivers - so bad right now and that puts these other modes of transport at major risk.

Bird has put a "geofence around my business but they still go screaming by. They are also left in walkways, ramps and parking lots. They are a nuisance...

Ok

This is a great benefit for our downtown especially with all of the new apartment buildings (with minimal parking) being added. The benefits far out weigh any potential issues (which I believe could be improved with ongoing usage & education). I would be sad to see this alternative green travel option go.

Keep them here!

Keep them they seem fun!

Without 'legally' being able to ride on the sidewalks of college, no use for them.

Need a larger service area! I live just outside Appleton (Greenville) and would like to ride more bird scooters where I live

Scooters are a great mode of transportation in bigger cities, where parking and other vehicle related issues are in play. In Appleton, seems to be mostly younger people just cruising around downtown, more pleasure than anything. Riders and walkers on College Ave is a bad mix.

Not sure it's the police departments job to monitor it, they have other priorities. Maybe have other city departments, that are in favor of the scooters, volunteer to walk the avenue and educate people and monitor the riders that use the sidewalks on College Ave.

Awful.

Nice for people who do not have a vehicle

The issues with safety and finding these scooters all over the city far outweighs the benefit. They can always hop on one of the cities transit systems or the other alternatives currently available. I

These scooters litter my neighborhood. I see people in traffic using them erratically and see young people on them with no adult supervision. Get rid of them!

Too expensive in appleton

Bird=turd

Keep them!!!

The scooter rides are far overpriced. I would ride them more if I was not charged \$15 for just half an hour.

I think they're a wonderful, and help make the city safer and more convenient. It would be terrible for them to be taken away by grumpy sad people who get upset anytime things change.

I think they are a nice addition to the community.

Walking would help the obesity problem in Appleton. Walking is also an even greener option for people. They look like trash when people leave them lay around the city.

I enjoy riding the scooters, I ride on the street and I feel safe. I feel maybe age or some other way to confirm they stay off the sidewalks would be a good thing.

My boyfriend and friends used to take them every single weekend and I learned a lot of new spots in appleton from riding the birds. I suggest to keep the birds but maybe make there an unlimited option where you pay so much for the whole day or 2 hours or something instead of so much an hour. We always had to pay for our friends to have some fun and it gets pricey which is why we stopped riding them! They brought the only fun there is in appleton back. Dont get rid of the birds. Everyone loves them.

Love that Appleton gets to participate in the same activities as larger cities.

As with all new things, there's a learning curve for all - users and community members. I think they've been a good addition and I've overwhelmingly seen them used properly. Sure, there will be exceptions, like speeders who ignore speed limits and traffic safety. Overall, I think they're a fun addition to downtown.

Seems like most use these just to race thru traffic, ignoring traffic laws, going through red lights, and not really caring about pedestrians or traffic.

Make them faster

There is a safety risk to people riding the scooters, pedestrians and motorists. The scooters are shooting in and out of traffic. I prefer to stay away from downtown because of the scooters.

Don't get rid of them! I would say they can be pretty pricey though.

I have seen one person have a serious fall on a scooter. Also I know of someone else who was injured

So many people ride them down college Ave either on the street or sidewalk. It doesn't seem useful to have them with everything downtown being within short walking distance

KEEP THE SCOOTERS!!!!

I cannot believe how many children ride the scooters even though it is listed over 18 yrs old.

The scooters are found laying in the streets, in the elevators of parking ramps, on the Top of parking ramps, I saw one in city park in the fountain!

I love riding the scooters! It has been helpful for getting places in a hurry and they're also really fun.

I feel as if these scooters are cluttering up the city. It would be nice if there were central pick up/drop off locations to prevent them from blocking the sidewalks in my neighborhood.

The scooter placement is not consistent with the rules for where people can operate the scooters. They should either be placed elsewhere of the rule should be changed.

Keep em all year! Lets go!

Please keep them.

With them using bike paths while on the road and being courteous to pedestrians on the sidewalk there should be little trouble with them. I'm certain that they will go away come winter.

As a senior citizen, twice I was whacked by a person on a Bird scooter on the sidewalk in College Ave. At my age, I can't afford a broken bone. Be assured if I do, I will sue Appleton as well as the person on the scooter. I don't think the city does enough to keep scooter operators off of the sidewalks.

They are more of a problem and annoying.

I love them for our city!!!

Constantly seeing them left at random places not even near downtown. It's like kids are purposely doing this. I've never seen adults on them why have this activity for kids who are just out joyriding.

Wish the battery charger indication was more accurate.

I love 'em!

Easy and fun

They are a little expensive, so not a great everyday option. The safety problems are not because of the scooters, but because people break the rules (knowingly or not) about riding on College Avenue sidewalks. I wish the technology could do a better job preventing them from riding in forbidden areas or at least preventing them from going so fast in forbidden areas.

I can see how these scooters can be helpful to folks that do not have a reliable form of transportation, however I think the price needs to be lower. I hope city officials think about the people without reliable transportation when making decisions on this.

It would be nice to see some additional types of scooters - for example, those with larger wheels (easier going over bumps etc) and the sit-down style. The bird scooters are ok but that style is the worst of all in the two-wheeler product ecosystem.

Not happy seeing them dropped off just anywhere. And don't think kids should be riding them. Plus see them in the parks blocking pathways.
I love the idea of scooters in Appleton. I think they will add to the vibe of the city, especially in the downtown area, I think they would be great. We just need to have regulations about use and enforce them.
I feel most opposition to the program would be avoided if Appleton would have planned better, specifically more bike lanes. We would be wise to plan more for the future, especially with cheaper electric transportation becoming available to more people. Younger generations may not buy cars or only have 1 family car instead of 2 but will probably have an electric scooter or bike because they can afford it. Times are quickly changing and we need to change even faster.
Are there a few bad eggs that ride these scooters? Yes, but I don't think their use should be judged by a few individuals riding them incorrectly. I will say though that they can be a nuisance mowing around and some people park them in the middle of the sidewalk. Maybe the users could be shown a better option of where to park them so as to not get in the way of other sidewalk users.
They wouldn't be so bad if people used them correctly and left them in a safe place. I love closer to Reid golf course than I do to downtown and the other day there were 5 left at the end of our street, right in front of the cross walk blocking the entire walkway. Two miles away from downtown! Unfortunately like everything these days a few disrespectful entitled people ruin the experience for everyone
We love riding the Birds! We loved them in Milwaukee and we love them in Appleton. Having some designated drop off spots might be helpful, but I know that's not how bird is designed.
I hate this scam with a fiery passion that you cannot imagine. It's a ridiculous giveaway to a unsustainable VC that makes us less accessible and gives a corporation an exemption to littering that no one else receives. They should never have been allowed.
There are times when they're parked directly in the middle of the sidewalk and are a hassle to get around if you have a stroller or a wheelchair. They mostly seem like harmless fun, but the idea that they're somehow "green" seems overstated to me. Their batteries are getting charged from the same non-green power sources as everything else. As long as they don't cost the city any money I don't mind their presence, but if taxpayers have to pay even a single dollar for them then I'd want them gone.
They are an eye sore laying around the city the way they do. People tend not to follow traffic laws while using them as well from what I have seen. The number of scooters left on sidewalks also seems to be an issue for people in wheelchair that are unable to move them themselves.
What is the cost to the City? That should be a major factor when considering the net benefit.
While I have not personally used them I believe they are a great benefit to people in the city of Appleton. Some complain about them being a hazard to people on sidewalks but a majority of our downtown sidewalks are very wide significantly reducing the chance of a collision. The scooters also do not have a very fast top speed so if a collision did occur it would most likely be minor injuries.
I just think there needs to be better education about where and how to ride scooters- but also most bikers downtown area need this too. How to share lanes, etc
I was eating al-fresco dinner with my family near where some idiots on a scooter wouldn't stop riding in circles. They were playing Gangstas Paradise by Coolio. I told them their taste in music was sublime, but if they didn't quit riding near our table I'd stick the scooter up the ass of the main one riding it.
Per ride price was higher than I would want to pay on a regular basis.
Love riding them!
I think the bird scooters are super useful and people seem to really like them
People abuse the scooters and cause damage to property by burning the rubber tires on sidewalks and parking lots. Bird scooters are left laying down in traffic areas causing hazards. A lot of the bird scooters standing up are put on their kick stands by passers-by and not the riders who just dump them and walk away.
When riding the bird scooter, our deposit was not put towards our bill until I followed up with the company.
If we had more bike lanes the scooters would be much more safe. Bike lanes are needed anyway and should be a major focus of city development.
Don't care for scooters being randomly dropped off in my yard. Difficult to see them laying in the driveway after dark.
I hate seeing them randomly spread across the ave and out of appleton. I also have seen some in the center divider of Colled Ge ave.
Eye sore
There should be official stations for the scooters to return them to. Plus would help with not being stolen as I've heard this being done in other cities.
If they would cost less that would be amazing.
Honestly these things look like clutter and litter listing abandoned on the sidewalks. They make our city look cheap and trashy.
people need to exercise more, the only ones i see use these are younger people
The parking of scooters is a problem. People lay the all over town and Erb Park especially.
Don't give in to the haters and complainers, it's a great option and opportunity for the city.
Keep them!!!
This is a progressive benefit for the city of Appleton.
What a great thing that makes downtown more fun!
No different than bicycles on the roads.
They're left all over town. You have provided no phone number for people to call to come and pick them up. Irresponsible people don't return them. Get rid of them.
I like them. They are good for what they're intended to provide. I think figuring out a better way for them (and bicycles) to co-exist among all the automobile and foot traffic in downtown would help tremendously.
College ave and other busy streets are issue areas Perhaps daylight hours and restrictions of use on certain busy roads access only to side streets. But I can see enforcement issues
Don't let the boomers take them away!
I love the birds around Appleton and wish there was a monthly subscription like in other places.
I love the scooters. A great option for public transportation without government involvement! Green as well!
Love them! Please keep them!!
Too expensive. Why is the cost so different here compared to other places?
I think they're an eye sore when left tipped over on sidewalks. Definitely not a "beautification" of the city.

I find it difficult to not have these in a stationary place. How do people who need them find them? Maybe there is an app I am unaware of?

They are left everywhere and need to go away

Working downtown, all that needs to be addressed is the large quantity of people riding on the sidewalks, ive seen many collisions from people leaving a business and getting hit because the person scooting wasn't paying attention.

We love the bird scooters!

As a mobility impaired disabled person, these scooters have made my life a lot harmed by blocking paths and reckless driving making sidewalks less safe.

Abandoned scooters all over town tipped over in the middle of sidewalks for days at a time makes the city seem littered and trashy

NOT ON COLLEGE AVENUE SODEWALKS!!!

The lack of enforcement/prohibition of these scooters being operated - usually at high speed - on sidewalks with heavy pedestrian traffic is a serious safety issue. As someone who lives and works downtown, I see unsafe and dangerous pedestrian/scooter interactions multiple times a day. There already is ZERO enforcement of the prohibition on bikes and skateboards being ridden on downtown sidewalks, and Bird scooters are objectively significantly more dangerous to pedestrians than even a bicycle (heavier, faster, and more unstable). Adding to the collisions between Bird scooter riders and pedestrians, there are also significant concerns being raised about the impact Bird scooters are having on the disabled community. These scooters are often deliberately parked in the middle of sidewalks, making it impossible for someone with a mobility device to use the sidewalk. I firmly believe that Appleton is not a good fit for the Bird scooter program.

These should have "stations" like the bike rentals in other major cities. They should not simply be left "all over" as they are now - blocking the path for people with disabilities, people with strollers/walkers, those cleaning sidewalks and more. Looks trashy on top of being an annoyance and hazard. So many irresponsible users when mixed with the alcohol and more on College Ave too. Love the concept - delivery leaves MUCH to be desired sadly. Too many close calls and those aren't documented like actual accidents.

Please keep them but figure out how to get them parked better so they're not blocking rights of ways. They add a major hip factor to our community. Thanks!

I feel they are dangerous. I have seen people younger than 18 on them and probably no drivers licenses. Also have seen several run stop signs and not obey traffic rules. Also have seen lots in front of bars. How many drive the scooters drunk? No value as we are not a big metropolis.

Scooters tend to litter areas around Appleton and as far as Menasha while they sit on sidewalks or knocked over in yards unattended and un-serviced, sometimes for more than a week. It seems that those using them and those managing them may not have the knowledge or resources to respectfully handle this new conveyance, as other areas do.

I have witnessed many instances of Bird scooters blocking cutoffs and the sidewalk, which is a huge accessibility issue. I've also seen people racing bird scooters in traffic on College, which is dangerous, and riding on sidewalks on College and in other areas. In addition, while Bird scooters seem like a green option, they are not accessible in that you need a smart phone to use them. And while they are marketed as a "green option," they take up resources to make, use gas and resources to manage as someone has to drive around town collecting and redistributing them, and I would like to see information on the average lifespan of a scooter and how soon it and its parts end up in the landfill. We need actual public transportation options in Appleton that allow all citizens to go about their daily business, not just those well off enough to mangle smart phones with data plans, app downloads and accounts, and the terms of the rides themselves, not to mention the ability to ride the scooters around town.

While I'm glad that people have been enjoying the scooters, it has been disappointing that there have been so many blocked cutouts and sidewalks that need to be accessed by people of all abilities, not just those who can physically pick them up and move them out of the way. Also, this is not public transportation. I think we've seen how the city is taken advantage of by third party vendors (like the payment kiosks that are too expensive to replace). The city should not be trusting public services to fly-by-night startups or tech companies happy to extend a deal when it suits them only to jack up the prices once we're dependent on them. It's time to make smarter choices that make sense in the long term, not shiny short-term choices that will cost us more over time.

I'm personally too afraid to ride them, but I see a lot of people enjoying these and being mindful of others.

Eye sore. Danger to drivers, Zero benefits

Not safe on roads, not safe on sidewalks. If we are creating all these bike lines, let people ride regular bikes or walk! Have seen these scooters laying by the hospital and other places looking like a stolen item dumped.

Walking on sidewalks shouldn't be impeded or endangered by motorized vehicles. I don't drive my car on the sidewalk, I follow the laws and the rules, why shouldn't everyone else? I don't walk in the street for the same reason. But maybe I should just start walking wherever I want? On other people's lawns perhaps. Maybe I should just assume the speed limit is merely a suggestion. Or maybe we should get rid of the Bird. But who can tell what the answers are anymore. Good luck, city council.

The scooter situation is currently ridiculous. You have people riding them with no concern for others and it is creating a hazard for pedestrians.

NO more scooters

The price is too high. If the city could somehow lower the price, that'd be very helpful. The benefits of alternate personal transportation should be enough. a 2 mile trip, for example, would cost \$4-6, (\$1 to start, somewhere around 40-50 cents/minute. 20MPH max)

This cost is too high for the scooters to be any more than a novelty.

Fun to ride, but not worth the price or the image of scooters dumped all over the city after.

Put in bike lanes on college Ave by eliminating on street parking. Better yet, close college Ave to cars from good company to Lawrence and only allow walking, bikes, and scooters.

I recently visited Indianapolis and the hazards created by scooters just left where they were dumped after riding them was a hazard, nuisance and an eyesore. I'm glad my wheelchair-bound nephew wasn't with us. It would have been almost impossible for him to navigate. Appleton isn't as bad as Indy, but I do worry about us going down that road (no pun intended).

I work in the downtown area and they are scattered everywhere! Normally in the path of walking. People don't pay attention to riding them around other vehicles as well. They are an eyesore!

I have only seen people joy riding. Put bicycles out instead.

They are a bit dangerous.

Always riding on college ave

I see them left all over the place, just discarded like trash, I never see people riding them. They're an eyesore and don't really seem to be helping anything.

Even with the signs, there are scooters on the College Ave sidewalks Constantly

Anything can be abused. We drive like Jack asses every damn day. We certainly abuse the shit out of alcohol and have more bars than needed. Then get behind the wheel, but yet that seems to be tradition so it's cool. Let's vent about a scooters. Jesus saves this is why we can't have nice things.

I've been almost hit on multiple occasions by teens hauling ass down the sidewalk. They also just litter the roads and sidewalks everywhere. People use them and then disregard them in the middle of the sidewalk making it near impassable for my son's wheelchair. If they aren't being used by some drunk asshole or inconsiderate child, they're left in the road. These things are ridiculous. If you want a green transportation option, bring back the downtown trolley.

There just scooters, let them stay.

Keep them

I've seen a high amount of individuals operating these while intoxicated. Stumbling off of them at bar close etc.

Need more bike lanes for scooters. Maybe consider changing to Lime scooters as well. Better quality and app.

Lov u

The scooters look like litter when they are strewn throughout the city.

I hate seeing them scooting in and out of traffic with no protective gear, and a "watch out for me" attitude. Dangerous!!'

I have ridden bird scooters everywhere that I have gone. I absolutely love having them.

If you can't ride a bike on downtown sidewalks you shouldn't be able to ride a scooter. They make the city look trashy because they are left all over the place if people can't walk they shouldn't be downtown

Having Bird scooters in Appleton is a great way for Appleton to stand out as a fun and progressive city. I appreciate the ability to get around Appleton in ways other than a car. Being able to ride a scooter makes Appleton seem more vibrant and accessible.

They are left in the worst places and in the way all the time!

There should be some kind of fine to a user's account if they leave scooters parked in the sidewalk. We must think of wheelchair users.

Annoying that they are left all over and sit for a couple of days

I also recently visited Austin, TX for a large safety professionals conference. They had about 3-4 different vendors in the the city including Bird. Many more users than Appleton, with much busier traffic. They had ALOT of signage to remind scooter users where they could not ride, and where they could not park. There were also specific areas that the City worked with Bird to draw "prohibited use" zones, as well as "slow zones" that reduced the scooter speed to less than 50%.

Most of the city prohibited use of the scooters on sidewalks, for obvious reasons. I would be happy to further share my experience and observations. I am the Safety & Loss Control manager for a large WI insurance company, as well as a Firefighter...so I maybe have a little more unique perspective to balance risk and benefit. Please feel free to reach out Chris Schlechta (715) 651-8563 (work cell)

As someone who is handicapped, I find the scooters terrifying. I don't find any real need for the young and able to joy ride on the sidewalk at the expense of the rest of us. The downtown is having enough trouble.stayig viable. Please get rid of these toys.

I am an avid walker and have never had an issue with obstructed sidewalks or safety while walking due to the Birds. I think they are a great addition to our city. I am over 50 and enjoy riding them.

I've had many people who are in the road ways cut out I front of me. Typically under 18 years of age.

Scooters have made me want to avoid College Avenue. When will this mess end?

I hate litter and that is what they are.

Pointless spending, we need affordable housing.

Love these! Wish there were more!

Several Serious accidents already around country

I think they are another transportation option and a fun activity. Glad Appleton gave it a try. I hope it continues next year.

The service area should be extended from the downtown area to more areas.

My main concern is the young kids getting access to them and not riding them properly. I walked out of a business downtown and almost got hit by someone riding one. I've also been driving down lawe and someone was riding one in the bike lane toward traffic around a curve as others were riding with traffic on the other side f the street. I also find them taking up parking meter spots where driving customers downtown should be able to park. And some parking them in people's yards or on the side of the street. I really loved this idea at first, but it clearly wasn't executed well and I'm guessing to difficult to patrol.

it's always the old ass geezers that don't leave the house and want to take these things away ! they are super fun and hip

I've not had good experience with people using these scooters in the Appleton Area. They continually ride them on the sidewalks downtown that signs are posted and big notice boards were setup to make sure people knew to keep them off the sidewalks. Some of the riders I've seen have been fairly reckless when riding the scooters. Swerving in and out of traffic, not watching for traffic when trying to avoid obstacles. Initially I thought they could be a good thing for the city, providing inexpensive motorized means of getting around downtown. But I feel they've been more of a nuisance.

It needs to show some kind of battery life. One die on me half way throw my trip and there was none around.

Great addition to the city

Get rid of them please.

I have been nearly hit twice by these scooters. So while I'm sure they are fun I would also like to enjoy my time downtown instead of dodging scooters. Also my son uses a wheelchair, these scooters are ditched in the middle of the sidewalks, there is no way around them without moving them which is too physically demanding for him, im sure others in mobility devices would also agree.

Graveyard for scooters. That what it looks like on our streets.

too dangerous

It looks terrible as these are scattered about. Left sitting in people's yards and randomly on the sidewalk. Also riders do not follow guidelines and ride them where prohibited.

They are too expensive. They charge less in other cities. He should charge less in his hometown!

I wish our city was more bike and scooter friendly. That said, I think they can be extremely beneficial to those who don't always have access to a vehicle. At least during the non snowy months. I hope they are kept.

Riding on sidewalks is clearly a safety issue for pedestrians and needs to be addressed. I also have an issue with how and where the scooters are deposited. I often see them in yards or bushes, tipped over in the middle of sidewalks etc.

Has the city looked into similar bicycle systems. I believe it would be a safer more effective option.

I love the idea of these scooters, but the execution of this programme in Appleton has largely led to scooters blocking access to those with disabilities. The scooters are frequently left on the sidewalk in ways that inhibit those using mobility scooters, wheelchairs, or who are otherwise impaired. I've loved using Citi bikes in places like Chicago and Austin to get around, but those have dedicated parking stalls, unlike the Bird scooters. If the Bird scooters had a few designated parking stalls utilizing a few street parking spots the way some bike racks do, I think they would be a much more welcome mode of transportation in Appleton. Thank you in advance for your consideration of these thoughts!

Great benefit to our community.
My husband uses these all the time! We love them
Riders are disrespectful of pedestrians and property. They are a nuisance. Get rid of them.
Main concern is where they get dropped off after being charged (on private property) and where they land when someone is done. I've seen scooters in the road, in the middle of sidewalks, left on private property, etc. They are a real issue in terms of accessibility on the sidewalks because someone who is needing the clearance of the sidewalk probably cannot remove or move a scooter that's laying on the ground in their path.
Please don't let the fun crushers ruin this for our city! The scooters have been an amazing addition!
Driving along roads and seeing discarded bird scooters on random sidewalks really looks trashy. And I'm betting those home owners where the scooters are discarded on front of aren't fans of them being left behind on sidewalks and lawns.
WOHOOO These are AWESOME!
I hate these scooters. They basically function as litter or clutter, and they make the city feel trashier.
This survey seems a little late. Didn't you guys already pay for them!? Is this why our taxes are so high or is that related to the inclusivity director making \$80k while you waste money and time asking residents about reducing officers or hiring people based on color rather than merit?
Is this the reason you guys seem so understaffed and when there are ambulance calls the response on scanner is "we don't have anyone to send right now"
The only people using these scooters appear to be people that are highly intoxicated.
Always in the way... laying in yards etc. Littering the city.
I have had to stop my car to pick them out of intersections when I watched some kids leave it in the roadway.
Riders rarely stop at intersections, so when on a side road to come onto college I have almost hit them multiple times. A busy Friday or Saturday night, especially when it is dark out, as you are watching for pedestrians, other cars, and then no visibility because of buildings the people come riding straight across makes them a huge safety hazard.
I am sure they are fun for the people riding, but I am first hand seeing them more as a danger. In addition don't look good when they are just left all over town.
These are a fun and (I think) affordable to get around town. Since Appleton doesn't have any other shared green transportation like retable bikes, they should keep the birds.
Nuisance seeing these scooters left all over the place.
Have not had the chance to ride one yet. We do want to try it out. Seems like a great alternative to driving somewhere that is nearby. Not comfortable riding in the street without proper safety gear. I feel they should be allowed on sidewalks as long as the people riding them are respectful of others.
They should be required to be returned to a central spot or spots. Seeing them strewn about town is no different than litter.
It was tedious trying to set up an account and Downloading an app to find out that it was rather costly to ride these scooters. Anytime I have seen the birds around they have been laying around and not well taken care of by the people who have used them. I have not personally had a problem with people using them. My biggest issue is that they're in the way. The people using the birds are not those with mobility issues that wouldn't be able to easily walk the distance need to go from one place to the next, so I see little green value to these in a city our size.
Although I've not used one, I think these are a great idea. I've seen them all over but have yet to encounter any issues with someone on the road with them.
They go a bit fast, pretty dangerous if you're not ready.
I live in downtown Appleton and have seen the birds always using the sidewalks in downtown on College Avenue where they are RESTRICTED. I have been called a F**KING so and so for reminding riders on sidewalks that you are not allowed between Badger and Drew St. I have walked around and stepped over birds on bridges (Skyline) and sidewalks (Lawrence St) everyday and this is not what I want to see in my city. Go down to Jones Park just after dark any evening and see all the underage people on birds swearing, loud mouthing and leaving tire marks all over!! DO NOT ALLOW THESE IN APPLETON PLEASE!!!!
We advise bikers to wear a helmet but not scooter riders? How about promoting more walks or bike routes than more rides that powered by electricity? I also hate to see scooters zooming in and out on sidewalks.
This morning walking down Richmond Street three scooters were parked abreast on the sidewalk. I had to walk around them in order to continue the walk.
These scooters are dangerous, and the ban on College Ave sidewalks needs to be enforced!
People parking scooters in business parking lot especially in downtown area if we are employees and need to park. It's a nuisance ... I wish BIRD would have a designated area for drop offs like big cities where they rent bikes. If it's not dropped off, there would be higher charge as it works off credit card.
I personally love that it's an option for downtown because it is fun! Also, if there were some designated businesses that could sponsor some bird scooters, the customer can get a coupon on their app. Just some ideas!
I wish there was a way for only responsible adults to be allowed to drive these. I see them parked on sidewalks all over the city, sometimes for days. Its a shame that they are misused.
We've seen them but didn't know how to get them to work. It's a trendy idea to bring to appleton which gives it a feel like bigger cities. I always wished we had more options like this around the fox cities. Especially bigger parks to take a stroll on bikes or fun active attractions
I have seen the scooters left in peoples yards and in the middle of the road all over. I think it's great but need better control over where they are left.
Keep them!
Drunk guys riding in traffic down the middle of College Ave at night. These scooters are laying all over town, littering sidewalks, boulevards, and abandoned wherever they run out of energy or riders dump them. Children seen riding all the time, 18 years of age? not even close. Police are too busy to deal with managing this so it goes on without accountability. Neat idea, a disaster in the real world.
Almost hit two Laurence university kids riding across the crosswalk on college Avenue due to their negligence. They didn't even hit the walk light and pulled right out into traffic. I could've hurt them severely or even killed them. This is worth somebody making money over. And that's ONLY one time I've encountered these scooters.
I thought it was bad idea at first... even though I have not used or probably will not, I think it adds something to downtown and should stay.
The company stole 20 bucks from me scooter never even worked no customer service

If we're going to have scooters there needs to be a designated lane on College Avenue with barriers to traffic where people can use them and feel safe without compromising the safety of pedestrians. People will continue to use scooters, bikes, and skateboards on the sidewalks regardless of what the splash screen on an app says or whatever silly "walk your wheels" signs are posted. We should promote the use of greener modes of transportation downtown but the current situation of walkers and wheeled vehicles together in a small strip of space is incredibly dangerous and a lawsuit (or many lawsuits) waiting to happen.

Hope they stay!

I think that we should try some side by side or atv

Only real problem is they seem to be parked in the middle of sidewalk ramps which impede mobility for all other forms of sidewalk travel and handicap access to sidewalks

These scooters are left in really random places. Also left in middle of driveways and sidewalks. There should be a way to fine user that misplaced scooter.

Continually see people using these on the sidewalks of downtown Appleton (College Ave), even though there has been signage and multiple notices via various city department FB pages. Serious issue in my opinion as someone (pedestrian) will eventually get hurt. I don't appreciate the way people leave them anywhere without regard to pedestrian traffic ie: middle of sidewalk, trails near the river, middle of business parking lots etc...I feel it makes areas look "junky". I'd prefer to not see this program continue.

Lots of people benefit

SCOOTERS ARE LIT!!

They would work better if Appleton updated their bike lanes that the scooters could be used in, especially on college ave.

They are way to expensive!! We rode once and thought it was a rip off!!

I have seen these scooters being road and left behind in neighboring cities like menasha and grand chute. These should be monitored and only restricted to downtown Appleton. These provide no purpose and I only see people taking them for "joy" rides

I have seen these scooters left all over the place blocking sidewalks all the time. Supposedly the company would pick them up each night, but i see them early in the morning left in walking paths far from downtown too. I have heard people had issues with getting billed for longer than they used the scooters too. I think they are such a nuisance. I think since they SHOULD require helmets they're not safe enough for downtown Appleton.

They are eyesores in the community.

Love the scooters! Especially when you can full send them off anything.

keep them

I see scooters abandoned in yards and on the streets like litter. Between the scooters and cruising cars, downtown has become far less inviting. They are a major nuisance to the City.

I can see the benefits to having these available during the warmer months. I think they should be removed during snowy months.

Too expensive for every day use / frequent use.

I drive around Appleton all of the time. I don't know why some people are complaining about these so much. They do not bother me and shouldn't bother others.

Waste of tax payer money!

These scooters are an absolute nuisance and they block all pathways all the time

Scooters take energy to charge which comes from The east coast where they utilize strip mining practices. Still not a truly green alternative. They visually clutter the downtown and cause issues for drivers, businesses and pedestrians.

People seem to be out enjoying them and that means one less car on the road. The more cars we can get off the road the safer we are and it's good for the planet.

Please get rid of these, they are a scourge

We need some sort of transportation in this way. Either these or bikes.

They need to be placed on Wisconsin and Richmond. This is where they will provide benefit. On college they are just an amusement. We need these but in the areas of town with transportation concerns and our low income population. They need to be much less expensive.

see more sitting than used-heard the cost to ride say its nuts.

These scooters get left all over the city sometimes for days at a time. They are always blocking safe walkways for pedestrians. They are also an eye sore to look at when just dumped throughout the city left for days on end.

I see more children on these than adults. They are an eye sore. Have to see these ugly things all over

There has to be a way to hold bird customers accountable for their actions when riding or parking their birds when finished. Have seen them riding down sidewalks at great speeds. But my biggest complaint is riders leave them laying across sidewalks, wheel chair ramps at the corners and even across driveways.

They look like hell! They are parked all over and get beat to crap and are an eye sore. People riding them also think that they have some special right of way and that walkers should move over for them and cars should yield to them

These things provide little to no benefits and are more of a hassle. Please get rid of them.

price is ridiculous, \$1.39 per minute. wow.

I have almost been run over by someone hauling a\$\$ west on Calumet (a slight downhill). Is there really going to be a scooter in a neighborhood for someone to get to a business when a walk is a bit far? Nice thought but doubtful

Give us a membership plan

If the decision would be to have them fly away, people still own their own electric scooters and they are just becoming more and more popular. This just provides another form of public transportation. People will always find something to be upset about. I think they bring a fun, modern piece to our appleton culture..if used in a respectful and safe manner.

Often saw scooters riding on College Ave sidewalk which is dangerous for the pedestrians and not allowed. But I don't want police resources used to police this. Can the company put up a geofence to disable scooters when in that area.

They are dangerous! I see people flying down roads. People are not responsible, weaving around traffic. Some one is going to get hurt or killed. They are an eye sore. You see them abandoned everywhere.

These scooters are left lying around and are an eyesore; The only people who use them are kids who have no regard for them or the people around them. Get us free bicycles instead.

They seem to fill a need here and riders look like they enjoy using them.

Keep them!!!

I've not tried them so don't know how they work to pay for them but I've seen them scattered around sometimes left in the middle of a sidewalk and sometimes for days before being picked up. If the pickup of them was more often I think they'd be great

Riders are not abiding by the rules and posing major problems on the sidewalks downtown - to pedestrians and businesses with outdoor seating.

Haven't seen anyone actually ride them but they are all over town, so they are getting used. I have not heard of one dangerous situation, so why not keep them? Somebody needs them.

They go too fast, always parked on sidewalks cross way and jetting out into traffic.

University of Texas, Austin has piles of scooters everywhere. The city plan for scooter management is terrible. I do think there is a place for the items, but limit the #'s. Also, they could be a hazard during snow emergencies. Maybe Jan-Feb, scooter found on the streets = fines?

As a driver I hate seeing scooter users in the road. No signals. Can't reach road speeds. No safety equipment. They should be able to use bike lanes and ALL sidewalks. Just as bikes and skateboards should be able to use bike lanes and ALL sidewalks. Roadways are too dangerous for these small scooters.

No point of them and they are just all over town

Please bring them back next year!!

They are left all over. Not returned nor charged..

A great asset to the community a much needed alternative than, taxi, left, Uber. I say keep them and promote them. You can review year to year

These scooters are ridiculous and dangerous in a city that is a nationwide top ten when it comes to alcohol abuse. While we're at it, why isn't outdoor seating along College Ave up against storefronts like it is in every other city? That'd eliminate the skateboard/scooter/waiter collision.

The only issue I have seen is that they are left anywhere and I see them laying in the middle of the sidewalk on College. I work downtown and have to avoid them daily on my lunchtime walks. When people are using them, I rarely see issues, unless they are riding on the sidewalk downtown.

Far too many of these scooters are left in unsafe or unwanted areas. I have seen them left in the middle of parking lots, roads, front yards, sidewalks etc. I think it is a great idea, but there needs to be a way to ensure they are left in safe areas.

I see them ditched everywhere....not impressed.

they are constantly blocking the sidewalk. Incredibly inconvenient for pedestrians.

They look awesome! I think there great! I have never used one but they look fun!

Love them!!

I am not a fan of the scooters. I think when they are parked in random neighborhoods they are a nuisance. I have seen a few people responsibly riding them, but mostly people seem to just be screwing around d on them. I also understand they are expensive to rent, for what they are.

I am all in on Birds as long as we find a way to keep them of College Ave sidewalks. Wondering if their is a way with technology to limit their speed in downtown?

Seem to be more of a joyride and nuisance. They are left all over the city.

I was on the fox river walking trail near downtown and there was a bird scooter about halfway through, I got rather tired at that point and didn't know if I could make it to my car, so seeing the scooter was a huge relief. I love seeing people ride them. It's an exciting change of pace.

I think the scooters give Appleton a metropolitan feel!! I really like them. I don't think the older generation (boomers) will. However, as a millennial, I think they're really cool. Bikes are dangerous on roads and sidewalks but, we don't ban those.

these are awesome and i love them!!!

Love the scooters!

Most definitely keep the scooters but let them ride on the sidewalk on college. To dangerous to be out on the street on that busy of a road

I believe that Bird scooters should remain in the city of Appleton.

I thinks it great that Appleton has this option, love them!

Scooters left all over town, and I saw one broken one. Do not believe they have increased sales at businesses

I haven't ridden one but they can be a spoke in providing public transportation and reducing some travel normally done by cars. They absolutely need to be allowed downtown where the majority of pedestrians are. If they're not allowed on the College Ave. sidewalk they need to be allowed to safely be on the street. The question above about them being a safety risk to themselves and drivers is more a testament to our lack of pedestrian circulation infrastructure rather than a scooter issue. Bikes and scooters are both at risk of cars on College Ave, not the other way around as the question is posed. We can't promote walkability, etc. but not provide the infrastructure needed to get to the places we're trying to get. Scooters yes, but they won't be as successful or safe as they could be with our current lack of safe pedestrian infrastructure. Parking in the middle of the sidewalk is an issue. Aesthetics aside, they represent a serious challenge for people with disabilities. Maybe dedicated parking/ drop off stations would help?

I work in the downtown and have been almost clipped by people riding these on sidewalks. For drivers they are NOT visible in congested traffic.

I have see several (3-4) people on scooters, riding irresponsibly while in lanes of traffic. I have seen hundreds of people using the scooters responsibly and reasonably. The question remains, does the risk out weigh the reward?

I hate when they are left in the middle of the side walk in a random residential area.

It would be a benefit to the city, since it would create jobs to keep these charged up and maintained.

I can't believe how many riders think it's ok to abandon the scooter right in the middle of the sidewalk and then walk away. This is the main reason I don't care to have them back.

Maybe just lower the maximum speed and have small signs designating parking areas?

The only obnoxious part has been people being inconsiderate about leaving them in the middle of sidewalks.

Price is too high

I think scooters should be allowed on the sidewalk. There isn't enough room in the road

Additional bike lanes, priority road crossings, and on-street scooter / bike parking would make them even more convenient and less obtrusive.

Pros:

*So. Much. Fun!

*They brought out the community and gave entertainment for people of all ages.

*I like that they can be left anywhere. This provided a nice alternative to driving.

Cons:

*I'm not sure if I didn't read the app correctly, but several times the battery died while I was on the other side of town. Is it possible to get solar powered scooters?

*College Ave is the center of the city, but the worst for bikes/ scooters/ skateboards. And this is where we'd see scooters lined up for the taking. (Altho, I personally haven't witnessed an issue with them being left in a place that was an inconvenienced to me)

Thank you for giving them a try in Appleton!

Get rid of them

They are an accident waiting to happen for all.

I LOVE THE SCOOTERS!!!!

I understand the ease to drop anywhere but I feel a lot of the challenge from others could be resolved if there are specific drop areas or penalty for not leaving in a respectful place (like a handicap parking spot or middle of the sidewalk).

Keep them! Every major city has them. Get with the times!

The scooters are great in theory, but have presented a LOT of obstacles in practice. Many riders are not careful about cutting in front of cars or they have no regard for being on the sidewalks.

Mostly teens riding them often in the road at night. I've seen many left in the road, and a few blocking driveways. They are more a hazard than a help.

The scooters have multiple safety hazards, are an eyesore, and the cost is not accessible for many people. Please remove the scooters from Appleton.

Not enough downtown dwellers to justify. Looks trashy unless organized parking.

They seem to be useful, but look terrible strewn about the downtown area.

Tired of seeing them littered all over Appleton. Nearly hit two riding down the middle of the Lawe St bridge

College Ave sidewalks and weaving in between pedestrians

Need more around Appleton!

Love them!!!

I think the scooters are a fun addition to downtown.

I think the potential is good, but better enforcement of safe parking is crucial for those in wheelchairs, etc.

This has been a wonderful pilot!!!

These are a menace! To many times people ride these in the streets, no one cares about using them properly.

I have not seen the scooters used safely. I have seen people use them on the sidewalks on College Ave near Oneida St, and in the road on College Ave by the PAC.

I broke my elbow on your stupid scooter! And had to have surgery! Broke it in 3 days places plus my joint

They are a nuisance and get dumped all over the place. My tax money is being wasted.

You should have the police hand out fines for usage on the sidewalk or unsafe usage. In fact, I've witnessed so much trouble with the bird scooters that you could probably have someone do that as their full time job! I don't take my toddler downtown anymore because he almost got hit by a scooter and was very scared. This was about two months ago, so hopefully the incidents aren't as plentiful.

I believe the scooters are dangerous because there are no laws enforcing safety. Children are riding them in the streets in traffic and then dumping them in parking lots or wherever when they die. I think they are more of a liability than a benefit to the city.

It looks terrible that these things are just left at random corners and sidewalks. Would be a totally different thing if there were like little drop off hub "lots" or something throughout town that they need to be returned to

I see too many of the scooters parked in areas that are blocking sidewalk passages or even the scooters themselves have fallen over blocking the entire sidewalk. Need to have a better policy on parking the scooters so they are not disrupting walking traffic.

I feel Appleton, being a progressive community, needs these to provide alternative transportation. Larger cities, like Austin, provide these, and are well received.

I have seen 2 kids riding the scooter at the same time can't be more than 12 years old. I see them in the sidewalks all the time. I have been buzzed by people riding them on the sidewalk on College Ave.

Walking is green and safe and healthy

I think it's a great option for people when used correctly.

Rules are not being followed during the pilot which tells you how it will be if an actual program I vote no.

I have mostly seen kids using the scooters to ride the trails along the river. I walk my dog on these trails. The kids come racing down the hill at Telulah Park or, in general, are scooting past walkers, kids, and dogs on the trail.

I would not like to see scooters on the downtown sidewalk. They are kind of like bicycles and should be on the road.

The concept of a more environmentally friendly transportation is good. Have the Appleton downtown businesses seen an increase in business since folks are using the scooters, or are they just being used for fun?

Love them, gives us that big city feeling

Stay

I don't think the scooters are a good idea. In theory, they seem practical. But in practice, from my observations, they are consistently misused.

If people knew how to park them appropriately it would be a benefit. However, they are left randomly and it is dangerous.

They seem pretty popular.

I love the scooters and hope for them to stay!

I do NOT want to see an increase in policing/fining of the scooters on sidewalks. Education around using the bells or calling out that you are passing by on a scooter (much like cyclists do) is necessary I think. Perhaps large imagery/signage with simple guidelines of the sidewalks.

I have used scooters multiple times downtown and I really enjoy them and appreciate.

Need to get rid of them they cause to much trouble

KEEP THE SCOOTERS!

I think they add an "untidyness" to the downtown area when they are abandoned whenever people drop them.

I love how fast the scooter go.

Have almost been hit multiple times by them while walking on trails along the river. Find them sitting in the middle of the side walk blocking the path. Mostly kids in them

They litter the streets and sure you can take one to get to a destination that's a little far for walking but what happens when someone else grabs it before your return trip?

Bikes seemed fine to me.

Unbelievably stupid.

I love the concept but you need to make instructions more available to my 50+ generation. Idk how to rent one yet.

People (or Bird) should be fined when they are left blocking sidewalks or streets.

The scooters provide mobility for some able bodied people, but they are also often left in places (eg, in the middle of sidewalks) that block access for people with mobility issues. Abandoned scooters are too heavy for some people to move. This is a ADA compliance problem. The company is unresponsive or very slow to respond to reports about scooters left where the shouldn't be.

I love having them!!! They help me with my day to day activities!

I've run across them blocking the sidewalks to the point that when I look ahead and see them lying there, I steer my disability scooter onto the street with cars. Once I came to a crosswalk at Drew and College and 2 were blocking the slope down in front of the direction I wanted to go on Drew so I had to scoot to the slope going across College and once again pull out into traffic. They way people lay them around like toys because they never think of someone with mobility issues.

NOT A FAN

Some areas need to be off limits for these scooters such as around businesses that request it due to safety concerns etc. While the company takes these requests they havent been great about following thru with honoring them. I would be fine with the scooters continuing if these requests were taken seriously and honored.

They are dumped everywhere and the city looks trashy because of it.

Half the feedback you'll get are from old folks 50+ who never even drive downtown or have any use of them. Please keep the scooters.

We've really enjoyed the scooters and want to see them stay. There seems to be mixed messaging regarding on where to ride the scooters (sidewalk or road). More even distribution of the scooters would definitely help--we've wanted to take the scooters downtown, but almost all of the scooters are downtown, so you can only take them back home.

I love the bird scooters.

I constantly see children riding these on College Ave when they are not supposed to be able to do so. They are also left laying around across sidewalks and not picked up in a timely manner. Appleton is not a big enough city to justify these. Good riddance to them as winter is coming!

Scooters on sidewalks downtown are a serious safety concern. Despite the signs and notices they are frequently used anyway (as are bikes & skateboards.) There is limited to no active enforcement. These scooters detract from the outdoor aesthetic for downtown business providing amenity strip seating and increase the safety risk for employees and customers. If the bikes and skateboards can't be monitored why add scooters to the mix?

I love them!!!

I dislike when they are left in the sidewalk, you should have a bike return policy or it keeps charging the user

People park them on the side of the street.

No scooter lights. People drive them on the road at night without lights and with no regards to drivers in cars. This is an occident waiting to happen.

I've almost been hit twice walking out of businesses on College Ave. I believe the cons significantly outweigh the pros. It's a death or significant injury waiting to happen. Thanks for the survey.

Terrible for businesses downtown that are attempting to do any type of outside service.

Ban all scooters!

Scooters get too concentrated downtown so it is hard to find scooters at the edge of town. Need either more scooters or more employees redistributing. Some towns put percentage requirements for how many must be available in certain areas.

Too many kids riding them in the road. They do not care about traffic. I hate finding them on my property 4 Sat here for a week.

I've been almost hit twice while walking on College Ave sidewalks. I have seen abandoned scooters as far south as Calumet, and abandoned in the roadway and on Oneida bridge. Walking is a much better "green" option.

Def keep 'em

They are left where a wheelchair can not get past many times!!!!!!

As an Appleton resident, I find the scooters littered on the sidewalk a disservice to our community. As someone who frequently walks from Alicia Park to City Park with a stroller, it is imperative that I have a safe walking path for me and my son. Often times, I need to move to the street to get around abandoned scooters that have been dumped by the last rider.

I find the scooters to be a contradiction to our beautification policy in Appleton. We go through so much effort to keep our city clean, safe and well managed through programs like leaf cleanup, street cleaning, etc. that the scooters feel like a downgrade to those efforts.

Keep them off the sidewalk. Teenagers still flying through the sidewalk. Almost hit me.

Ban these scooters. I will sue the city if I get hurt by one.

Love that we have them in town.

I'd like to try one sometime; they look like fun.
 I have two complaints though. One, I'm not a big fan of them being just left places. Although I've never seen one left where it could obstruct someone, I find the look to scooters scattered about to be...kinda trashy.
 My second complaint is the use of the scooters on the downtown College Avenue sidewalks. I work at one of the establishments on this stretch, and it is really frustrating have to look both ways before I cross the sidewalk whilst coming out of my place of work.

I don't know what the solution is. Maybe there is no solution to be had. I don't want to take fun away from young people. I'd much rather they ride scooters up and down the sidewalks than be out, I don't know, injecting heroine into their eyeballs. Still, I think a conversation needs to be had with Bird Scooter and the city to discuss possible updates to regulations and responsibility, and who is in charge of overseeing and enforcing things.

My biggest concern with this project has been parked scooters impeding pathways for physically handicapped folks. Not everyone can easily hop off of the sidewalk or lift a scooter out of the way.

destroy them all

Bike path would be most appropriate. Sidewalk is definitely an issue.

As a business owner in the city of Appleton, I believe the scooters should stay. They offer a fun way for people to cruise around and experience all the scenery that Appleton has to offer. If someone is worried about a scooter hitting them or being in their way, they likely have bigger issues at hand.

Get people to stop leaving them on private property. This is a joke at best, and a burden to everyone at worst.

Get them off of college Avenue please, both the sidewalks and street. It's dangerous and irresponsible on the part of the City and users.

They offer nothing for mobility challenged individuals. If you can ride a scooter for two blocks, you can walk the two blocks and not almost hit everything in your path.

Overall a good experience and a positive for the city. It was a great option for transport during festivals and events in the warm months.

Scooters help Appleton be an interesting place to live. I appreciate that the city is making an effort to provide alternative modes of transit other than cars. There's so much more to see and interact with in the city when you don't have to drive everywhere. It makes Appleton feel like more of a vibrant and desirable community.

Only real negative experience was a group of 3 people riding them on college ave, swerving around, and looping back down again.
 If people road them like bikes, no issue

The sidewalk blocking and the sidewalk scooting are serious issues that outweigh the benefits.

I have seen many scooters left all over sidewalks and have had to use the app to request pick ups when they have been left in front of my house.

My friend and I who are walkers have almost been run down by scooters and bikes on the sidewalks. Why did we spend all this money on bike lanes? I find these scooters in the middle of sidewalks all the time blocking a wheelchair and walkers. Sometimes they are on peoples property. I've been to cities where they are a menace and a danger to the community. Get rid of them!!!

These scooters are awful. Too many times I have to avoid people using them in the road over the past few weeks, and no one uses any safety gear (helmets, etc) when riding them.

If people can't bike on the sidewalk these scooters shouldn't be able to fly around and weave in and out of pedestrian walkers. Don't waste money from taxpayers on this.

The radius needs to be adjusted. I think just down town would be sufficient. I also think people should be in the road not the side walk. They are very similar to a bike. I also think people need to park them in more convenient places to walking predestrians and not leaving it in the way of people walking or on peoples front side walks in front of their house.

Scooters in addition to skateboarders and bikes on College Ave has become a greater problem in last few years. Also scooters parked randomly on sidewalks on College Ave look junky and have to wslk around. Possibly specific stations on Ave?

I have seen them left in odd places and where they would be in the way of pedestrians. I personally would not use one.

Although the bird scooters are not allowed on College Ave sidewalks it is pretty much a daily occurrence. If they are allowed to continue there needs to be better enforcement and the scooters need to be limited even more on speeds allowed.

They're a great form of transportation! Especially, if you do not own a car. They're also environmentally friendly. Lots of big cities like Vienna in Austria embrace e-scooters. Don't get rid of them, instead try and create more bike lanes where the scooters can ride through.

I've used birds twice and enjoyed it. They are convenient and fun. There were some streets that I was not comfortable riding in the road even if it had a bike lane, but I stayed off sidewalks as much as possible. I enjoyed getting somewhere quicker than walking, but still slow enough to enjoy the outdoors and fresh air. A great alternative to driving.

It's fun yes but with Wisconsin being a cold state is bird really making money keeping it there vs how much when it's off, route isn't bit either

If the user parks it correctly, out of the way of the public there are no problems. if the user shouts to the pedestrian in front of them, "on your left" or "on your right" it's safe. These scooters help me get from red ramp to the conservatory when I am running too close to class time. The scooters are just like bicycles, if you take them away why not bikes too? They are the same hazard.

I absolutely love these! I haven't gotten to hop on one yet, but I'm thrilled we have them here!

Could use clean ups

Social Media Feedback

See following pages.

The screenshot shows a Facebook post from Appleton City Hall. The post text asks for feedback on bird scooters in Appleton and includes a survey link. The image features a Bird scooter with a survey overlay that says 'Bird Scooters In Appleton Take the Survey!' with thumbs up/down icons and a scooter icon. The post statistics are as follows:

Metric	Value
People reached	15,496
Engagements	4,729
Distribution Score	-
Reactions	78
Comments	130
Shares	22

FACEBOOK

OMG, we had so much fun when one was left outside our house. We don't need them to get places, but we'll consider using them to go downtown to the farmer's market next year.

If Bird pays a wheel tax on every one of them, we could then reduce the property tax of every property in Appleton. How many addresses will they pay from? Depends how many you want in the Fox River.

They seem to be getting used and if the riders pay and are responsible let them stay.
Curious how they will work or be used once the snow falls

The police can't keep bicycles and skateboards off the sidewalks downtown. These are far more dangerous and nothing is done about it.
Terrible decision

Stay

Get rid of those hazards. Someone is going to get killed the way the kids play with them.

Benjamin Mollen I was walking College Ave recently and two kids on those scooters rammed through some outside tables (laughing) and almost hit the people at the next table. They didn't stop or look back once.

Fly Far Far Away

They need to go a way

Ask a question on social media and prepare for people whining.

I think they are great!

The only thing I experienced with them was almost getting run down on the sidewalk on a busy College Ave.
I say send them back.

Do they stay or possibly stored during snow.

Living downtown, they aren't a bad addition. Staying is good. The ones who ride them without regard to others will do that with or without the scooters. Bikes, skateboards, etc.

Reminds me of the South Park episode with the scooters

Go, people just leave them lay wherever, we had them laying down on their sides in the middle of our driveway by the sidewalk that were just left. In order for us to get out of the driveway we had to move them and I see that all over just being left in the middle of the sidewalks and such. People have no care for anything.

I live at Grand Canyon National Park and I bought a scooter to get around out here. I've had two over the past 3 years and for out here where traffic is minimal it's great! I love it. I honestly can't imagine what using one of these would be like in a town or city! I'd probably be terrified to even use it in that environment!! He'll, even out here I have a close call or two every month with a vehicle. I think that after two years of using one in a very non populated area where you only have to go 2-3 miles back and forth they're great. But using them in a populated area, especially since it honestly does take a few weeks to get the over all "feel" for the thing, learning to slow down when you turn, learning how they react on certain roads and conditions, excetra, it's pretty stupid to have these in an urban environment. I love my scooter but there's no way in hell that I would use one in a major population center.

They're fine but people can't leave them laying around when they're done.

They are fine.

That's the coolest thing you have downtown. Keep 'em a while

Go away. Theyre left in the most random places on sidewalks. I swear theres the same one near a dumpster by the diverging dimond, everytime i take that stretch of road

Go Away, Dangerous, someone is going to get hurt or worse.

Stay!

Dave Froehlich I usually agree with you, but I like the idea of the scooters.

Keep them!

I'm curious how many of those who are against them have ever rode one? There are slow zones where the scooters essentially stop functioning (downtown sidewalks, parks, parking ramps for example). When they are parked they require you take a photo of it parked in a safe area. I work downtown and have personally never noticed any just laying around on their sides or parked anywhere dangerous.

Stay

Police downtown more otherwise some of these scooter bitches gonna get clotheslined

Brook Goodwin agreed. We have them here in iowa and they're left all over the place for weeks at a time.

With the excelleration of obesity I would have to say goodbye to this idea. Remember the movie Wall-e. If not go watch it.

To all the haters... Did you all know the owner is from Appleton Wisconsin?

Wisconsin has been a tough place for progressive items like this - our cities and counties always want to say no for years before finally being like "okay this could maybe work... works in Austin, or here, or there"

I'm sure it's annoying when a scooter operator sometimes nearly hits your car... but half the people in this town are on their cell phones driving like crap, or have a turn signal switch with an inch of dust on it.

If your eyes hurt because you seen one left on a corner, that sucks... did you notice the litter or trash in the bushes behind it? Does that not annoy you more?

Anyways rant over. Let them operate some more.

#appletonnorth graduate #uweauclaire graduate

I bet there's at least a handful in there!

Stay. The more modes of public transportation the better.

Leave

Stay

I personally like them and have utilized them on many occasions. However we can't account for people's recklessness and that is the problem. Unfortunately I don't know how to remedy that.

Gee where are all the people that want "green" transportation with their support.

Keep them. It's about time we actually consider being progressive with innovative options and ideas downtown. We are being left in the dust compared to other markets. GB, MKE, Madison, Twin Cities. To attract and retain younger talent to our area we need to continue to embrace new ideas and forward thinking. The igloos are a hit. What about rooftop bars and patios? I'm assuming there is a revenue share for the scooter fair going back to the city? If it's all app based, transactional data is readily available.

Great for downtown!

Keep them I have a bad knee and they worked great to get around the town

I'm a fan, as far my kids - it's a good option for someone in a pinch or to just do something different. I vote that they stay.

Bye bye scooter

Curious why it bothers you that they are in random spots.

Paul Heuring a friend of mine was run down while riding one. Hit and run. Luckily he wasn't hurt badly.

I always thought that the business model was for them to be liking around. Makes it easy to find a mode of transportation.

Gay Curtiss sounds like they're safe for everyone! (Sarcasm alert)

I'm glad your friend wasn't hurt badly.

An example something that is similar is the successful "red bike" program in Madison. They have red bikes all over the city for anyone to use. <http://redbikes.org/>

Mark Achtner people leaving things in the middle of a public sidewalk generally isn't appealing, then when they continue to sit for days, a week+

What exactly makes the scooters progressive. Novel, kinda. An interesting concept, sure. But in terms of making it any easier or more affordable to move about the city they do less than nothing; only cluttering up bike paths, sidewalks, and diverting energy and money away from sometimes less flashy, but far more effective good old fashion infrastructure and planning. More sidewalks, bike paths, bus routes, and pedestrian overpasses. Maybe a bike share program would be more effective instead if you wanted to try something along these lines. Speaking as someone without a car, I haven't used a bird scooter as transportation because they are too expensive, too unreliable and unpredictably dispersed, and impractical for transporting anything. Invest in what works and improves the average persons life is what I'm saying, that's progressive.

For the most part I think they are a good idea but something needs to be done about them blocking the sidewalk and impeding wheelchair users' path.

Is the info for this survey posted on the scooters? I don't use them, so I don't care, but I am sure the people that do will answer stay.

Stay

Benjamin Mollen They won't cite bicycles riding on the wrong side of the road or running red light/stop signs either.

They should stay.

Keep them. If we want to compete with cities like Austin, Madison or Nashville, we need to offer innovative ideas to the people that live in or visit the city.

Chris Davis that's the point, though...

Understood. For some reason it does not bother me having them in random areas. Having a mode of transportation readily available is more important to me.

Mark Achtner it would be more ideal for designated stations around the area to know exactly where to find them IMO, instead of hunting them down. Any i see are never in the "down town" area.

I like them. Keep them

I say stay - the ppl in charge of re charging them though could do a better job like lime scooters in other cities

Mark Achtner As long as we don't try to be San Francisco...OMG

Keep them, idiots need to fly away.. seriously an awesome part of downtown Appleton. People need to respect others and the privilege of having them!

I'd rather they go. Been nearly run down a few times by them

Keep them!

Keep

People should walk.

Keep them. I haven't used them myself, but a variety of ages and people use them and are always having a blast. Yes yes, some find their presence annoying and inconvenient but they add a little spice to our downtown and keep the urban experience alive for everyone.

Haven't ridden one yet, but I think it's cool seeing them around town! Maybe I'll find one this weekend!

Please do NOT embody Nashville's atmosphere to Appleton.

Albeit not a very affordable method of transportation, especially for more than one user (ride-share and public bus systems are much cheaper solutions for multiple people than taking e-scooters).

Zach Gress I'll get you a BIRD gift card for Xmas

Benjamin Mollen hey! They put up a sign. Haven't you seen the police being really busy waiting for drunk drivers in front of D2? We can't expect them to enforce ordinance, they have things to do. /S

They are fun. Anything with wheels brings a degree of risk, but these scooters have a lot of benefits as well! Keep them around!

My only suggestion is that they have to stay within a closer radius downtown?

As long as the city does not pay or subsidized the scooters and a private company or nonprofit organization owns, cares for, and maintains the scooters, I think the idea is great.

They need to go! Saw someone ride one into a store once.

I would like to see them stay. I'm way to big to use them but i think it is a fun idea. I live close to a park where they was placed. Recently it seems like more people have been using the park. There may or may not be a connection. While we are at it, why doesn't Appleton look more into legalizing golf carts and allowing atvs to be registered as motorcycles.

Luke Abitz boy these woulda made that ring hunt/race a lot easier!?? Lol!

Is getting hit by idiots using them on downtown sidewalks adding a little spice? They are prohibited from College Ave downtown and that ban should be enforced.

Stay, they're an easy and cheap way to get up an down college. And they're so fun!

So what I'm hearing is they can stay if we make designated parking areas and lower the max speed?

Keep them !

Great for University and downtown

I'm not using them(too old)

Love seeing new ideas and progress in Appleton!

I'd like to see them stay, with more charger spots and a bit of a better restriction on them age and maturity wise but,

Keep them for a while, need more time to observe their values.

Besides the city looking lke a 2 year old that doesn't put their toys away, and that you need to wear a suit of armor to be a pedestrian on College Avenue, they are not that bad I guess.....there are reasons that cities got rid of them. A side note-- How much money does the city get from the company? Where does that money go?

Dallas and other cities have gotten rid of them

I saw two people popping jumps on and off the sidewalk downtown and weaving out into traffic. I'm not sure there are actually slow zones else they wouldn't have been able to do trick jumps with them.

I live in Phoenix and they have them here to why not let them stay in appleton

Wondering if the people that were "almost run down" in fact just watching one pass them by

Fly them away.

If people are using and enjoying them, keep them. I'm not downtown much so no problems for me either way.

April Alexandra I see them lying around all the time. Bad idea I don't care where you're from. A few lawsuits against the city should stop the problem.

Brian Zuhse whose gonna pay the lawsuits. Whose paying insurance. Taxpayers.

Milwaukee news today <https://www.wisn.com/article/milwaukee-electric-scooters-could-stop/37965168>

Travis J. Doerfler that's on parents teaching their kids, riders under 18 are not allowed, we told our kids they couldn't try because that's the companies rules.

Heather Watney you are able to ride them on the street, I just want to clarify I said sidewalks. I am positive there are slow zones, I ride them.

Stay.

STAY STAY STAY

There great if they were parked in a place not blocking anything. Isn't it possible to have racks here and there like bicycles?

I don't understand how this system works.

I see them a lot left downtown in the middle of sidewalks, which blocks the way for folks in wheelchairs, mobility issues, strollers, etc.

They should def stay!

Every single person I see riding them is smiling so I say yes yes yes!

I think they are a good idea, however I hesitate when I see them discarded at random all over the city... and see young people weaving in and out of others on the sidewalk downtown.

I can appreciate this perspective. My counter is that this could be said about people riding their bikes, or walking their dogs down the avenue. Being a resident in the downtown district, my family and I frequent college and I've never had an issues with the kids riding them. Yes they buzz past us and yes they roll around the neighborhoods but I've never experienced them being blatantly disrespectful or blatantly trying to harm anyone. And everyone using them, from teenagers to middle aged adults to parents and their kids, is smiling/laughing/enjoying these. But just one persons opinion and perspective

Folks who ride seem to enjoy them. Still, riders on the sidewalks, riders in the heart of downtown, and leaving the scooters blocking pedestrians is annoying, to say the least.

They are great..

Too expensive

You need to have stations where they are returned too, if not the user gets an extra charge the first and second time and on the third there card should be denied transactions. Houdini plaza would be the best place for this if you ask me. If they can figure out this problem they should stay, if not, get them out.

Would be good to know which cities and why

I heard people from Cali are movingc there and upsetting the locals.

Definitely keep them

Keep them they are a convenient way to get around places

INSTAGRAM

They should stay

I haven't used them, but I see people on them every day. It's kind of fun to see where they're left.

The should stay. They look like a lot of fun. I have yet to take one for a ride. We cruise around on our Groms all the time and always see people riding the birds. The kids always have smiles on their faces like we do riding our Groms. When people are happy, they are more friendly. They wave at us and at others and shout at us to do wheelies (which we can't do). Don't make the kids grumpy. I haven't seen or heard anything bad happening regarding the birds yet. No harm no fowl. Let the kids be happy. Keep the birds.

I'm all for alternative modes of transportation, but these things pose such an accessibility problem when they're left in the middle of sidewalks! Appleton can find better ways to invest in alternative transportation.

Stay

Buh-Bye

Stay

We should get e-bikes instead

Fly away

TWITTER

@cityofappleton I think they are a great option but the city needs to add more bike lanes for them to use. Also, I know the owner is from Appleton but I think the city should consider changing to a bigger and better company like Lime.

@cityofappleton \$1,000 wheel tax on each one. They are so popular we'll get an epic property tax rebate.

@cityofappleton They are polluting the city. Total nuisance imho. And dangerous.

@DaveHoran1 @cityofappleton "escooters are dangerous and pollute cities"



@cityofappleton The TechCrunch article mentions "Fleet Managers" aka how Bird was screwing their gig employees.

This article explains how #birdscooters screw their gig economy employees by getting them in debt so they could make "fleet managers"

#LongLA

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