Uber offers an UberPool “commute card” to riders in New York City for the months of July and August. The card provides unlimited rides anywhere in Manhattan below 125th St. during weekday commute hours. The card is available for a duration of either two, four, or eight weeks at prices competitive with the MTA’s Unlimited Ride MetroCard.

Ford partners with Chinese shuttle bus company Panda Shuttle and Tsinghua University, to launch an app-based scheduling tool that dynamically modifies bus routes and schedules according to real-time customer demand. The pilot in Dalian, China will allow riders to book a seat in advance for their preferred pick-up and drop-off locations, and it uses the aggregated requests to create efficient routes and drop-off points.

Washington D.C.’s Fire and EMS Department announces that Uber is being considered as a substitute to ambulances in transporting 911 callers in need of non-urgent medical care. Under the proposed system, nurses will be employed in D.C.’s 911 call center to evaluate medical needs and the suitability of vehicles other than ambulances to transport patients.

Nissan unveils ProPilot, a suite of semi-automated driving features to appear in a Serena minivan model for sale in Japan beginning in August. Activated by a button on the steering wheel, ProPilot maintains a fixed distance from a leading vehicle without requiring the driver to control the steering, accelerator, or brake. ProPilot reminds drivers to keep their hands on the steering wheel, if it detects their absence for more than four seconds.

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