

# LAST WEEK IN INNOVATIVE MOBILITY

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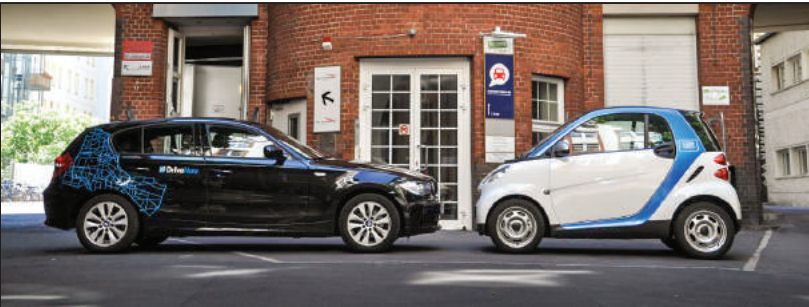


## RIDESOURCING/TNCS

Uber begins using autonomous Volvo XC90s to serve uberX passengers in San Francisco under the supervision of Uber employees in the driver seats of the vehicles. Uber did not acquire an autonomous vehicle testing permit from the California DMV and has been asked by multiple state entities to cease operations. Uber has continued operating the pilot, citing that their vehicles are not fully autonomous and thus do not require a permit for testing.

## VEHICLES

Google launches Waymo, a standalone automated vehicle company under the Alphabet corporate umbrella. Waymo's CEO John Krafcik says that Waymo's mission is "to make it safe and easy for people and things to get around." A fleet of 100 Chrysler Pacifica minivans equipped with Waymo's automated driving system will begin testing on public roads in 2017.



## CARSHARING

Daimler and BMW negotiate plans for closer collaboration between their carsharing services, car2go and DriveNow, to better compete with ridesourcing services in U.S. markets. Other mobility services may be included in the collaboration such as Daimler's MyTaxi and Moovel and BMW's ParkNow and ChargeNow brands.

## ITS

The U.S. Department of Transportation proposes a rule to require standardized vehicle-to-vehicle communication technologies in all new light-duty vehicles. The Federal Highway Administration plans to issue guidance for vehicle-to-infrastructure communications to facilitate the flow of data from vehicles to roadway infrastructure, such as traffic lights, stop signs, and work zones.



## CARSHARING

The Los Angeles City Council chooses BlueCalifornia, a subsidiary of French company Bolloré Group, to operate an electric carsharing pilot in disadvantaged neighborhoods in Central LA. Bolloré Group will initially invest at least \$10 million in a fleet of 100 electric cars and 200 charging stations. A steering committee of community organizations are helping to oversee the program design and outreach efforts.

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