LAST WEEK IN INNOVATIVE MOBILITY

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VEHICLES

Avis Budget Group strikes a non-exclusive deal with Waymo to manage its autonomous fleet of Chrysler minivans. The partnership will begin later this year. Avis will provide services like cleaning and oil changes for Waymo's vehicles. The program will begin with Waymo's Phoenix fleet, but it could include other cities as Waymo expands.

BIKESHARING

Chinese dockless bikesharing company Mobike announces plans to expand to 200 cities before the end of the year, many of which will be outside of China. The company also plans to introduce a range of other services soon, including point-to-point deliveries and other logistics.



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MICROTRANSIT

Chariot is set to launch in Seattle, making it the third city the service will operate in after San Francisco and Austin. This marks the company's second expansion since Ford acquired Chariot in September of last year. At first, the shuttles in Seattle will only be available to employees of participating companies, but it will expand to other customers at a later date.

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Uber announces that driver tipping is now allowed in Seattle, Minneapolis, and Houston. After testing the update in the three cities, the company expects to roll out the tipping option nationwide by the end of July. The decision to include tipping is part of the company's "180 days of change" campaign.





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Lyft debuts 'Lyft Shuttle' in San Francisco and Chicago. Lyft Shuttle is available during morning and evening commute hours, and functions as an extension of Lyft Line but it will instead pick up and drop off passengers at select locations instead of providing door-to-door service. Prices vary by time and distance but are not subject to surge pricing.

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