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SHARED AUTOMATED VEHICLES

Waymo partners with Lyft to provide automated vehicles (AVs) for ridesourcing/TNC trips. Waymo will add 10 AVs to Lyft's platform in Phoenix where Lyft users will be able to select a Waymo vehicle directly in Lyft's app. Waymo has also been ramping up Waymo One, its own shared AV service, which was launched in Phoenix in December 2018.

SCOOTER SHARING

Bird launches a new electric scooter model, "Bird One," available for purchase. The new model will also be used in Bird's scooter sharing service. Bird One scooters are expected to last a year in the "sharing environment," four times longer than Bird's previous model. The scooter will cost $1,299, and users can pre-order now for delivery in the summer.
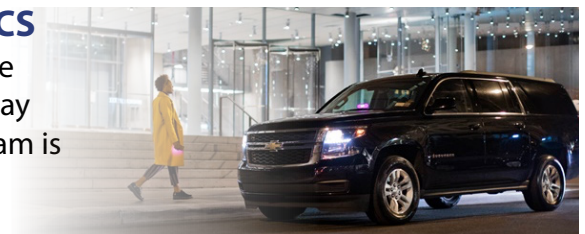
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Grab launches a scooter sharing subscription plan for its food delivery partners in Singapore. The ridesourcing/TNC operator will offer unlimited rides on GrabWheels' electric scooters for 55 USD per month. Food delivery partners can sign up for the subscription in the GrabWheels app. Scooters can be picked up at close to 30 locations throughout the city.

RIDESOURCING/TNCS

Lyft launches a vehicle rental service in San Francisco. Vehicles can be rented for up to two weeks and a minimum of one day. Customers will pay around $60/day for a standard sedan and $100/day for a SUV. The program is currently available to a small group of customers invited by Lyft for participation.

AUTOMATED VEHICLES

GM's Cruise Automation raises an additional $1.15 billion investment. This raises Cruise's post-money valuation to $19 billion. The additional investment was raised through accounts advised by T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. and existing partners such as: General Motors, SoftBank Vision Fund, and Honda.

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