





APPS

Google Maps introduces various COVID-related features. These include alerts about important information such as: requirements for wearing masks, checkpoints and restrictions along routes, and reminders to verify eligibility when accessing medical or testing facilities. Google Maps also enhanced features that help users avoid crowds on public transit.

TNCS/RIDESOURCING

Non-profit transportation network company (TNC) RideAustin shuts down.

The service began in 2016, following the exit of Uber and Lyft from Austin due to a legal battle with the city. RideAustin allowed users to round up their fare to give to local charities. According to RideAustin, users took three million rides and raised \$450,000 in donations over the course of the service.





MICROMOBILITY

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) sues the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) and the City of Los Angeles.

The lawsuit alleges that the city's requirement that micromobility companies provide real-time and historic location data violates the Fourth Amendment and the California Electronic Communications Privacy Act.

SCOOTER SHARING

Spin launches its scooter sharing service in Cologne, Germany. Spin plans to launch in other German cities in the coming weeks. This marks the first expansion into Europe for the U.S. company. Spin is also planning to launch in France and the UK, as well as expand its footprint in the U.S.





TNCS/RIDESOURCING

The California Public Utilities Commision (CPUC) mandates that TNC drivers are employees under AB5. In a letter to TNC companies, the CPUC says that the companies must get workers' compensation coverage for their drivers by July 1, 2020. If they fail to comply, the TNCs will face fines or possible suspension of their operations.

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