

# Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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## AUTOMATED VEHICLES

**North Texas roads gain more automated semi-trucks through Aurora, a technology company.** Aurora will begin testing commercial routes with automated minivans and then transition to automated semi-trucks. The company has not provided any further details on the roads or dates that testing will begin, but each vehicle will have a safety driver in it at all times.



## BIKESHARING

**Spin launches a weekly electric bike (e-bike) rental program in Washington, District of Columbia (DC).** The program aims to help restaurants in the area provide their own delivery option, rather than depend on third-party services as a way to reduce costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Rentals cost \$39 a week and include an e-bike, charger, lock and cable, insulated bag, and helmet.



## TNCs/RIDESOURCING

**Lyft expands its rental business through a partnership with Sixt, a car rental company.** Lyft's rental car service, Lyft Rentals, began with Lyft-owned fleets in Los Angeles and San Francisco, California in December 2019. The service will now be available in Las Vegas, Nevada; Miami, Florida; and Seattle, Washington through Sixt-owned fleets and will eventually expand to include 70 locations in Sixt's network in the US.



## SCOOTER SHARING

**The electric moped scooter sharing company Revel suspends service in New York City, New York after two riders die in crashes in two weeks.** The company states that it is working on reviewing and strengthening their rider accountability and safety measures and communicating with city officials. Revel has not issued any changes to its services in California, Texas, or Washington, DC.



## URBAN AIR MOBILITY

**CityAirbus, an urban air mobility project from the Airbus Helicopter division, makes its first public flight.** The flight took place in Bavaria, Germany in the company's electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft. The remotely piloted aircraft can carry four passengers with a range of 60 miles at 75 miles per hour.



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