

Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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AUTOMATED VEHICLES

In Austin, Texas, Lyft provides some rides by automated vehicles (AVs). The AV rides are enabled by a partnership between Lyft and Ford vehicles that are equipped with Argo, an artificial intelligence company, technology. AV Lyft rides are available in some sections of Downtown Austin and are priced the same as a typical Lyft ride.

Ford



AUTOMATED VEHICLES

May Mobility, a ridehailing and shuttle service, and Via, a transportation technology platform, launch a fleet of wheelchair-accessible AVs in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. The free, shared, on-demand rides are available within a 17 square mile service area in the city. The service is designed to complement public transit operations, including service hours.



May Mobility

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

The US Department of Transportation approves a national electric vehicle (EV) charging network. The plan for the network includes \$5 billion distributed over five years to install or upgrade EV chargers along 75,000 miles of highway. The goal is to make 500,000 EV chargers available nationwide.

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ELECTRIC VEHICLES

New York expedites policies requiring all passenger vehicles sold to be zero emissions by 2035. The policies mirror the efforts made by California, and they are necessary in order for New York to meet its goal of an 85% greenhouse gas reduction by 2050. The policy changes include pollution standards for passenger vehicles, light-duty trucks, and medium-duty vehicles.

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TNCs/RIDEHAILING

New regulations impact gig drivers in Spain. Protests from taxi drivers over unfair competition resulted in requirements for Spanish regional governments to issue new rules for private vehicles hired through mobile platforms for passenger transportation. However, some regions failed to implement new policies, forcing drivers in some areas to wait for governments to process requests allowing them to continue operations.

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