

Last Week In Innovative Mobility

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ELECTRIC DEVICES

Ridepanda, a “one-stop e-ride shop,” launches. Ridepanda offers users a variety of expert-vetted electric devices (e.g., bicycles, scooters) and helps match riders with devices suited to their needs and preferences (e.g., height and weight measurements, cargo storage). The platform also offers accessories and supportive services, such as helmet selections and repair plans.

The One-Stop E-Ride Shop

The best e-bikes, e-scooters, and e-mopeds with all the support you need for peace of mind, plus flexible payment plans.

Find the perfect e-ride with our quiz:

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ELECTRIC VEHICLES

AYRO, a low-speed electric vehicle (EV) developer, partners with Karma Automotive, a luxury vehicle manufacturer. The companies are planning to produce over 20,000 electric delivery vehicles through 2023 at Karma’s southern California plant. The partnership resulted due to an increase in goods delivery from the COVID-19 pandemic and regulatory pressure for delivery fleet operators to transition to EVs.



ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Walmart Canada purchases 130 electric semi trucks from Tesla. The 500-mile range trucks are part of Walmart Canada’s \$2.6 billion investment in carbon emission reduction. The goal is for Walmart Canada to operate with zero emissions by 2040.



GOODS DELIVERY

Via, a microtransit company, acquires Fleetonomy, a smart mobility platform. Via plans to use Fleetonomy’s tools for demand prediction and fleet use optimization to support integrated and digitally powered logistic strategies. The increased demand for these services is a product of the growth in goods and service deliveries from the COVID-19 pandemic.



TNCs/RIDEHAILING

Seattle, Washington City Council approves a minimum pay standard for Uber and Lyft drivers. The new law goes into effect in January 2021, and it requires that TNCs pay an approximate equivalent, after expenses, to the city’s \$16 minimum hourly wage for employees of businesses with more than 500 employees. Seattle is the second city in the nation, after New York City, with a minimum wage standard for gig worker companies.



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