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City of Rancho Cordova

### **Self-Driving Shuttle Debuts in Rancho Cordova, California**

*First City to Test Business Use for Self-driving Shuttle "Olli"*

Rancho Cordova, CA (August 7, 2019) – Olli, the world’s first co-created, 3D printed, self-driving shuttle developed by Local Motors, made its debut today in the City of Rancho Cordova at the White Rock Corporate Campus, a large business park that is home to 1,600 employees. As part of a three-month pilot project primarily funded by the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) through a \$90,000 grant, and with funding assistance of \$10,000 from the City of Rancho Cordova, Olli is available to campus employees, as well as to the general public.

“One of Olli’s greatest assets is her versatility,” Matt Rivett, Local Motors executive vice president, said. “Olli was designed with an eye on the future of mobility, knowing transportation needs are evolving in a variety of settings, including within the business community. This partnership with Rancho Cordova is definitely a milestone, and we anticipate that Olli will be embraced as the safe, user-friendly transportation option that she is.”

During the three-month pilot project, data will be gathered via rider surveys to understand the public’s sentiment regarding self-driving shuttles, the potential for congestion relief and better mobility, the reduction of single occupant vehicle use, and the potential for the use of the latest Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) technology.

“The partnership between Local Motors, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments, Basin Street Properties and the City to test a self-driving shuttle in a business park places Rancho Cordova at the forefront of smart mobility and a leader in the region in intelligent transportation and its rapidly developing technology,” said

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Vice Mayor David Sander, who also serves as the chair of SACOG. “We are proud to be the first city to test a business use for Olli.”

“The Sacramento Area Council of Governments is thrilled to see the rubber hitting the road as Rancho Cordova launches its autonomous Olli shuttle pilot,” said James Corless, SACOG’s executive director. “This project was dreamed up in our Civic Lab innovation accelerator program and funded by the SACOG board of directors and private sector matches. We look forward to seeing how innovative mobility solutions can operate in a business park setting, providing a clean, zero-emission transportation choice for workers.”

“Basin Street Properties is excited to host Local Motor’s self-driving shuttle test at White Rock Corporate Campus,” said Stephanie Burlingame, chief operating officer for Basin Street Properties. “We strive to provide the best possible work environment for our tenants, and innovative companies like Local Motors improve the quality and efficiency of how we work and live. We want to incorporate advancements like the Olli shuttle into our properties.”

Olli will operate August 7 – November 7, 2019 at the White Rock Corporate Campus. Those who want to experience Olli are encouraged to park at Rancho Cordova City Hall, 2729 Prospect Park Drive in Rancho Cordova, and walk across the street to the White Rock Corporate Campus. Please register at [www.RideOlli.com](http://www.RideOlli.com) for a free “ticket to ride” and sign a waiver. A QR code is provided to riders via email, which is scanned when riders board. Riders will be asked to take an online survey while riding Olli.

More information about Olli can be found at [localmotors.com](http://localmotors.com) and at [cityofranhocordova.org/olli](http://cityofranhocordova.org/olli).

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#### **About Local Motors**

[Local Motors](#) by [LM Industries](#), Inc. is a ground mobility company focused on shaping the future for the better. Founded in 2007 with a belief in open collaboration and co-creation, Local Motors began low volume vehicle manufacturing of open-source designs using multiple microfactories. Since inception, Local Motors has debuted no less than three world firsts; the world’s first co-created vehicle, the world’s first 3D-printed car and the world’s first co-created, self-driving, electric vehicle, Olli. We believe that Olli is the answer to a sustainable, accessible transportation solution for all.