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For the commissioner's background reading: <u>https://www.berkeleyscanner.com/2024/02/22/berkeley-fire-department/berkeley-hope-center-lithium-ion-battery-fire/</u>

The Berkeley Scanner reports on yet another e-Scooter or e-Bike fire, this time the Hope Center. This one was quite serious.

As we've covered before SB712 prohibits prohibiting e-Scooters and e-Bikes from storage in residences, unless upgrades are made to a common bike room.

To the extent that one hope for the future of mobility in Berkeley depends on microobility, this is a serious issue.

I suggest it's time for the commission to consider this issue, in concert with BFD, BPOA and various apartment business operators.

To see how fast this can happen, watch: https://youtu.be/Ka2hMktqoCY?si=ftsNP9vY1JsQWE4S