

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: October 15 - 16, 2026

From: TANISHA TAYLOR, Executive Director

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Subject: Advisory Committee Member Compensation

Summary:

Staff recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve compensation for Interagency Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) members as provided in Attachments A through C. There currently are no compensation requests from Road Charge Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members.

Issue:

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 14509.5, members of advisory committees to the Commission are eligible for reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with their service. Committee members shall receive a per diem of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each day spent conducting authorized committee duties during any month, when a majority of the Commission approves the compensation by a recorded vote.

The EAC Charter, Article 3.7, requires the Commission approve all eligible per diem requests for Committee members. Per diem compensation requests for Commission approval are included in Attachments A through C.

Background:

In its 2022 Annual Report to the Legislature, the Commission recommended legislation to allow it to compensate members of its advisory committees, including the newly formed EAC. This recommendation was intended to recognize the value of advisory committee members' time commitment and to alleviate financial barriers for qualified and willing individuals to serve on a committee. Senate Bill 125 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 54, 2023) implemented the Commission's recommendation.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Committee Member Compensation (EAC) – August 2026
- Attachment B: Committee Member Compensation (EAC) – July 2026
- Attachment C: Committee Member Compensation (EAC) – June 2026 (Amended)

**MEETINGS FOR COMPENSATION (EAC)
August 2026**

Regular EAC Meeting Activities

August 19 – Interagency Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) August Meeting.
(Committee Members Alvarado, Armas-Kelly, Gittens, Gonzalez, Huerta, Iwasaki, Martinez, Ramirez, Rousey, Torres-Van Vleck, and Wong were in attendance)

Keri Akemi-Hernandez

August 1 – Conducted and submitted review of ATP project application.
August 2 – Conducted and submitted review of ATP project application.
August 5 – Attended Sexual Harassment Prevention training.
August 7 – Conducted and submitted review of ATP project application.
August 10 – Conducted and submitted review of ATP project application.
August 20 – Attended ATP consensus team meeting.
August 21 – Attended ATP consensus team meeting.
August 21 – Attended final check-in with ATP review team.

Peggy Martinez

August 12 – Attended August EAC meeting briefing.
August 18 – Attended Department of Transportation District 11 Community Advisory Board meeting.
August 31 – Attended August EAC meeting debrief.

Michelle Rousey

August 3 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
August 4 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
August 5 – Attended team review of ATP project applications.
August 6 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
August 7 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
August 10 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
August 12 – Attended team review of ATP project applications.

Howard Wong

August 13 – Attended EAC meeting member briefing.
August 18 – Attended Department of Transportation District 11 Community Advisory Board meeting.

No additional Committee duties reported at this time.

- Lisa Marie Alvarado
- Martha Armas-Kelly
- Anthony Gittens
- Ana Gonzalez
- Gloria Huerta
- Naomi Iwasaki
- Andres Ramirez
- Florence Simon
- Randy Torres-Van Vleck
- Pualani Vazquez

**MEETINGS FOR COMPENSATION (EAC)
July 2026**

Keri Akemi-Hernandez

- July 1 – Conducted review of Transit and Intercity Rail Program (TIRCP) project application.
- July 2 – Met with Active Transportation Program (ATP) project application review partner to discuss review plan.
- July 5 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
- July 7 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
- July 8 – Meeting with ATP review partner to discuss application scoring.
- July 13 – Attended TIRCP team meeting to submit report and notes.
- July 20 – Attended TIRCP team meeting to submit report and notes.
- July 23 – Meeting with ATP review partner to discuss future review schedule.
- July 28 – Worked to create account in Submittable to review ATP project applications.
- July 29 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
- July 30 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
- July 30 – Attended the TIRCP final check-in to finalize all needed materials for staff to complete Cycle 8.
- July 31 – Conducted review of ATP project application.

Naomi Iwasaki

- July 9 – Attended Data Implementation Subcommittee meeting debrief.

Peggy Martinez

- July 22 – Met with Interagency Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) staff to discuss consequences of motorists hitting pedestrians.
- July 30 – Attended Department of Transportation District 1 Community and Partner Organizations Transit Plan meeting.

Michelle Rousey

- July 7 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
- July 9 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
- July 10 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
- July 23 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
- July 24 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
- July 29 – Attended team review of ATP project applications.

Howard Wong

July 1 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
July 2 – Attended Workplace Violence Prevention training.
July 3 – Attended TIRCP application review training.
July 7 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
July 8 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
July 13 – Conducted review of ATP project application.
July 14 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
July 15 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
July 16 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
July 17 – Attended TIRCP group review meeting.

No additional Committee duties reported at this time.

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- Martha Armas-Kelly
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- Ana Gonzalez
- Gloria Huerta
- Andres Ramirez
- Florence Simon
- Randy Torres-Van Vleck
- Pualani Vazquez

**MEETINGS FOR COMPENSATION – AMENDED (EAC)
June 2026**

Keri Akemi-Hernandez

- June 3 – Attended EAC member meeting debrief.
- June 3 – Attended the Active Transportation Program (ATP) Evaluator Training.
- June 8 – Submitted ATP Conflict of interest form.
- June 9 – Attended Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) application review training.
- June 10 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
- June 11 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
- June 12 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
- June 16 – Attended TIRCP group review meeting.
- June 19 – Met with TIRCP staff to discuss scoring matrix. Continued review of TIRCP applications, and prepared reports.
- June 19 – Met with ATP staff to review ATP scoring rubric.
- June 22 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
- June 23 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.
- June 24 – Conducted review of TIRCP project application.

No additional Committee duties reported at this time.

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