



# Parking & Transportation Services

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## ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FALL 2024 MEETING (November 22, 2024)

### In Attendance:

Emily Acevedo	Staff
Ahmed Badr	Faculty
David Blekhman	Faculty
Betina Cervantes	Transportation Coord.
Andrew Cornwell	Faculty
Dave Flores	Transportation Consultant
Doug Frame	Staff
Carmen Gachupin	Parking Director
Hank Kaplan	Chancellor's Office
Natasha Buka-Ragu	ASI Student
Dianne Taylor	Staff

### I. Call to Order

Carmen called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

### II. Approval of the April 17, 2024 meeting minutes

Dianne Taylor approved minutes at 1:06 pm

Ahmed Badr seconded the minutes at 1:07 pm

### III. Cal State LA Current Metro and Metrolink Programs & Ridership

Carmen discussed the enrollment decline for the University.

Betina discussed the Metro U-Pass program and presented statistics for Fall 2023 and Fall 2024, valid for 23 weeks at \$93.50 for students. Betina expressed a decline in sales for the student program, but the price has also declined because students are using the pass more frequently, which brings the pass cost lower in price. Betina discussed the new Inland Empire's Metrolink pass for Faculty/Staff. This is a free pilot program for up to six months. This will save the program approximately \$9,256. Betina discussed the Student Adventure Pass, which Metrolink extended until June 30, 2024. Student usage for free passes is now at 4,373 registered since as of Oct 2024.

### IV. Hydrogen Station Funding Update

Dr. David Blekhman, faculty from the Department of Technology, discussed the Cal State LA Hydrogen Station funding update. Cal State LA received \$7 million dollars of federal grant money to upgrade the hydrogen station on campus. Dr. Blekhman discussed his current efforts to obtaining the remaining \$2 million matching funds needed from the university for the upgrade to the hydrogen station.

**V. Campus Programs Update with Statistics**

Betina provided statistical trends on commuter programs from Fall 2023 and Fall 2024. Betina discussed marketing strategies to encourage transit ridership for faculty/staff and students.

**VI. EV Charging Stations Update**

Dave Flores discussed the continued partnership with EVCS and the 5 new DCFC fast charging stations in Structure E. Dave showed a current picture of the Tesla charging adaptors on the EV charging stations. Dave talked about the charging rate of \$0.49 p/kWh for fast chargers and the charging sessions data for 2024. Dave informed the group of the new \$0.39 p/kWh rate for Level 2 EV charging stations and the charging sessions data for 2024. Dave provided station inventory; a total of 55 level 2 charging stations and 11 DCFC charging stations (two charging plugs per station) for a grand total of 77 charging stations on the campus inventory.

**VII. Other Projects**

Carmen discussed more Level 3 EV charging stations to be installed in the near future on the south end of campus. Dave discussed the TDM Plan requirement for the university, what details are needed in the plan, but expressed the expertise needed by an outside consultant to assist with the writing of plan. Carmen presented to the group a proposed bicycle storage cage that Commuter Services would like to purchase for the program and install near the Housing pedestrian bridge by King Hall. Since E-bikes are too small to store in existing bike lockers, this cage would allow e-bike users to store their bicycles as well as e-scooters.

**VIII. Updates from the Chancellor's Office**

Hank Kaplan discussed an update to the CSU Transportation Parking policy with investing and updating TDM plans. Hank mentioned that the CSU is drafting an MEA for parking solutions on campuses using services like PayByPhone. Hank mentioned the importance of efficiencies with partnerships like EVCS and the increasing EV station infrastructure. EVCS ultimately wants the EV stations to be used to their fullest potential to benefit CSLA with cost-sharing revenue. But also, this collaboration will help the campus satisfy requirements and rules for heavy-duty and mediums sized "electrified" campus fleets, including campus shuttles, required by CARB. Hank said that a shared services model was proposed by CSLA Sustainability Office with help from the Chancellor's office to assist campus with shared tasks and costs is available as needed that related to energy, transportation, and sustainability. Finally, Hank advised the ATC to reach out to bicyclists on our campus for their thoughts on our existing bike lockers/ storage and the solution (bike cage) we have proposed for the campus.

**IX. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m. by Carmen.