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## CAB POSITION STATEMENT

Re: E-V (Electric Vehicle) Fueling City Taxing

It is time the owners of E-V's pay for their use of City Streets / All Streets / Parking.

When the E-V market was relatively small the statement, "that it was reasonable," give them free access without paying for the same wear and tear as gasoline/natural gas vehicles. As the saying goes "That Ship has Sailed."

Most E-V's exact a significant wear and tear on the road infrastructure in excess of the average vehicle.

The E-V motorcycles (including bikes) have and are creating a significant danger on the streets that requires monitoring/response.

There is an increasing ownership outside of each City. It is clear these "outsiders" should be paying their fair share of the costs of streets and fueling operations. Taxation for this "Fair Share" helps the City or County. The rate should be equivalent of what is per gallon paid by the majority of auto users. Calculations are easily developed since the State of California has already clearly stated kilowatt hours cost. Sales tax for service is also a rational tax. Offering E-V owners (regardless of the mode) free or subsidized operation while there is Cap & Trade, and other taxes on the daily driver is not fair.

The per gallon equivalent makes sure there is a way to recoup the maintenance for wear and tear these E-V operators have on the roads. It also eliminates the issue of "State Tracking of Individuals" that is a personal right to privacy.

*As stated above, it gives Caltrans and Local cities income for the cost to maintain roads.*

Offering customers free electric vehicle charging should not preclude the station owner from this requirement. It is easy to apply this tax to home or company. E-V fueling with a self reporting chips as part of the station installation has been and is available.

As with gas stations a license fee per location would be required. E-V owners with private fueling stations would be required to file a monthly reporting.

On behalf of the Board.

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