## Councilor Attendance Incentive Allotment

## Overview

The Council Policy Committee announced at the August 2023 Council meeting that it voted to discontinue the Councilor Reimbursement Program effective December 31, 2023, and replace it with the Councilor Attendance Incentive Allotment, effective January 1, 2024. This new approach will provide a single payment of $\$ 2,000$ per Councilor, per meeting, directly to Local Sections and Divisions that opt into the program - provided the Councilor attends the Council meeting either in-person or remotely. This new allotment approach will streamline and simplify the process for Local Sections and Divisions. Councilors are still required to work with their Local Section or Division to obtain reimbursement. Ex-Officio and Bylaw Councilors will continue to be reimbursed directly by ACS.

## Frequently Asked Questions

- How do Local Sections and Divisions "opt-in"?
o On February 1, a communication will be sent from the Office of the Secretary (secretary@acs.org) informing the sections and divisions of the need to opt-in to this program each year.
- Do Treasurers need to send reimbursement requests and receipts to ACS for their Councilors?
o No, all reimbursement request and receipts are to be retained by the local sections and division treasurer.
- Is there a deadline to submit the section/division opt in response?
o The deadline to submit the opt-in response is March 1, 2024.
- If the Councilor participates in the ACS meeting and Council remotely, are there guidelines for the Local Section or Division on how to spend the allotment?
o The sections or divisions are to decide how the allotment should be spent with the main purpose being to support Councilor travel to the Council meetings. After the Councilor is reimbursed, the section may use the additional funds to supplement the travel of others from the section to attend the ACS meeting, or other ACS related events that are beneficial to the section or division.


## Workflow



## Councilor Attendance Incentive Allotment ACS Meetings Travel Reimbursement (2024)



