



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

## 76<sup>th</sup> STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 12

Primary Sponsor(s): Goldstein

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Date: 1/17/2024

**Whereas:** the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58; the "IIJA") was a five-year, \$1.2 trillion comprehensive infrastructure package enacted by the U.S. Congress and signed into law by President Biden in 2021, and

**Whereas:** the IIJA authorized funding for a variety of surface transportation programs as well as new investments in the nation's infrastructure and economy, including the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program consisting of a \$5 billion formula-based grant program as well as a \$2.5 billion discretionary grant program for Electric Vehicle (EV) infrastructure funding, and

**Whereas:** the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is the state-level entity responsible for implementing Florida's formula-based funds from the NEVI program, which are crucial for deploying EV charging stations, and

**Whereas:** Florida State University (FSU), with its existing commitment to sustainable transportation exemplified by its all-electric bus fleet, is in a prime position to expand its EV charging infrastructure to better serve its community, and

**Whereas:** FSU has a dynamic Campus Master Plan that encompasses the development of its physical infrastructure, focusing on enhancing transportation and sustainability, and Jack Hitchcock, as the Student Body President and the sole student representative on the FSU Board of Trustees, is poised to advocate for the integration of Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations into this plan, thus representing student interests and advancing FSU's commitment to sustainable development, and

**Whereas:** key considerations under the IIJA for EV charging infrastructure, including public accessibility and location along designated Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs), are directly relevant to FSU's campus setting and can enhance the convenience and usability for students and faculty who drive EVs by potentially increasing the number of available charging stations on campus, and

**Whereas:** there is an emphasis on prioritizing charging locations along the Interstate Highway System and in rural, underserved, and disadvantaged communities, which aligns with FSU's mission to enhance accessibility and inclusivity within its campus and the broader Tallahassee community, and

**Whereas:** additional considerations for EV charging infrastructure, such as the availability of publicly accessible restrooms nearby, appropriate lighting, and sheltered seating areas, would not only benefit EV users but also align with FSU's broader goals for a sustainable, comfortable, and student-friendly campus environment, and

**Whereas:** the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) oversees transportation planning in the region, providing a strategic opportunity for Florida State University to engage with local and regional planning efforts for sustainable transportation.

**Be it resolved by the Seventy-Sixth Student Senate at Florida State University that:** the University should evaluate the feasibility of including EV charging stations in its Campus Master Plan, in alignment with the NEVI program's guidelines and FDOT's focus.

**Be it further resolved that:** the Student Senate also encourages FSU to coordinate with local, regional, and state transportation planning partners, including the CRTPA and FDOT, to participate in and contribute to the statewide master plan for EV charging station deployment, utilizing the available formula funds, and adhering to the key considerations set forth by the NEVI program.

**Be it further resolved that:** FSU is also encouraged to actively seek grant funding available through regional, state, and federal partners under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to support the deployment of EV charging stations on campus.

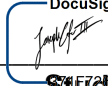
**Be it further resolved that:** FSU is also encouraged to ensure that any deployed EV charging infrastructure adheres to the guidelines for public accessibility, location preferences, and facility amenities as outlined in the NEVI program.

**Be it further resolved that:** FSU is also encouraged to commit to providing regular updates on the progress of these initiatives to the student body and other stakeholders.

**Be it further resolved that:** A copy of this resolution be sent to:

Dr. Richard McCullough, President of Florida State University  
Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President of Student Affairs  
Dr. Zduy Chu, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs  
Dr. Brandon Bowden, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs  
Jack Hitchcock, Student Body President, FSU Trustee  
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**Student Senate President**

**SENATE VOTE:** Unanimous Consent

**PASSED:** January 24, 2024