

**MINUTES OF THE
ACCEL FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Monday, May 11, 2026 at 11:00 AM

LOCATION:

Teleconference

Link: <https://alliantinsurance.zoom.us/j/91901968363?pwd=QAHMByeawB35Tjr7S3ir26egt5haj8.1>

Meeting ID: 919 0196 8363

Passcode: 721352

Dial: (669) 900 6833

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rafaela King, City of Monterey

Marquie Lugo, City of Ontario Alternate

Greg Milligan, City of Santa Barbara

Oles Gordeev, City of Santa Monica

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Andrew Guzman, City of Visalia

GUESTS AND CONSULTANTS:

Conor Boughey, Alliant Insurance Services

Lorissa Huey, Alliant Insurance Services

Thomas Joyce, Alliant Insurance Services

A. CALL TO ORDER

Oles Gordeev called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

B1. Approval of Minutes for the March 5, 2026 Finance Committee Meeting

A motion was made to approve the consent calendar.

MOTION: Rafaela King **SECOND:** Greg Milligan **MOTION CARRIED**

	Rafaela King	Marquie Lugo	Greg Milligan	Oles Gordeev	Andrew Guzman
Aye	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Abstain					

C. REPORTS

C1. FINANCE COMMITTEE

C1a. Updated FY 26-27 Draft Administrative Budget

Thomas Joyce presented the updated FY 26-27 draft admin budgets, as had been requested at the March 2026 Board Meeting. There were two drafts, one showing 13 Members and one showing 14 Members. The Committee discussed and the discussion centered around the training and travel budget.

A motion was made to recommend that the Board approve either the 13 or 14 Member budgets, subject to presenting the appropriate option to the Board at the June 11 and 12, 2026 Meeting depending on the Potential New Members' City Council Meeting to be held on June 8, 2026 with the following changes: \$5,000 would be re-allocated from Board Member Training to Board Member Travel, and these numbers be rounded.

MOTION: Rafaela King **SECOND:** Greg Milligan **MOTION CARRIED**

	Rafaela King	Marquie Lugo	Greg Milligan	Oles Gordeev	Andrew Guzman
Aye	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Abstain					

C1b. Proposed Changes: ACCEL Financial Plan Policy and Procedure – Payment Plans

Lorissa Huey reported that two Alternate Board Members who are Finance Directors provided some redlined changes to the Financial Plan regarding payment plans.

The Committee discussed the proposed changes to the Financial Plan. Much of the discussion centered around the specifics of “financial hardship” and the appropriate amounts of interest and penalties for payment plans.

A motion was made to recommend that the Board approve the changes to the Financial Plan with the exception of: the removal of the “financial hardship” edit, the notes be removed, and the interest amount for the 2nd and 3rd installments to be LAIF at the most recently published daily LAIF rate in effect at the time the applicable installment is invoiced instead of the current ½ percent.

MOTION: Oles Gordeev **SECOND:** Marquie Lugo **MOTION CARRIED**

	Rafaela King	Marquie Lugo	Greg Milligan	Oles Gordeev	Andrew Guzman
Aye	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Abstain					

C1c. Rating Plan Calculation – Structure and Use of Actuarial Data

Lorissa Huey reported that per ACCEL’s Financial Plan, the data that is inputted into the Retro Calculation includes losses as 12/31 and updated through May 1, interest from the Member Account Summary as of 12/31, and IBNR as of 12/31. ACCEL obtains two actuarial studies, the March study focuses on rates setting and evaluates loss data as of 12/31. The second report is provided at the October Board meeting and includes year end data as of 6/30 and matches the financial audit that is presented at the same meeting. The financial audit and actuarial study will have year end data. The Retro is a large estimate included in the audit, and is based on 12/31 IBNR and claims updates through 5/1.

Now that ACCEL obtains these two studies each year, we realize that data may not match between our reports if we continue to base the Retro on 12/31 data. The RPC is always recalculated and involves many estimates.

The Committee discussed ACCEL’s current structure and prospectively moving back the regular assessment invoice date. It was decided that this would be discussed at the next Strategic Planning with a visual aid timeline, pros and cons, and an example of how this change would have affected the schedule and amount of assessments in past years.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

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Oles Gordeev adjourned the meeting at 11:52 AM.