



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 16, 2026 | 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Department of Administration, Cafeteria Conference Room, Providence, RI 02908

Members in Attendance:

Harry Oakley, Peter Gill Case, Chris Kearns

Others in Attendance:

David Augustyn, Brett Feldman, Josh Cornell, Katie Critelli, Craig Johnson, Steven Chybowski (virtual)

1. Call to Order

Chair Oakley called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. Chair Report

Chair Oakley began by sharing the meeting procedures on making public comment. He outlined the meeting's agenda with respect to Council Business: a discussion of the programmatic priorities for the next energy efficiency plan; a discussion to identify and prioritize topics of interest for upcoming EEC meetings, and a discussion on an RFP for the Council's consulting services with the option of entering into an executive session.

3. Executive Director Report

Acting Commissioner Kearns held his report for the Full Council meeting.

4. Meeting Minutes – January 19, 2026

Chair Oakley motioned to approve the January 19, 2026 Executive Committee meeting minutes; Council Member Gill Case seconded. All in favor, none opposed, and the minutes were approved.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Council Business

a. Discussion of Council's Efficiency Plan Priorities

Mr. Johnson shared a presentation on priorities, which included recapping past priorities and looking ahead on how to structure priorities. Council Member Gill Case inquired about who might read presentation sections like 'utility of priorities' and how they are influenced by them. Chair Oakley mentioned that the Council already has internal priorities. The presentation included the proposed 2026 plan priorities and Council Member Gill Case pointed out that the priority 'support the mandates of Act on Climate' was vague and lacked direction/advice of action. Council Member Gill Case stated that he would like more robust discussion concerning System Reliability Procurement. Mr. Johnson recommended continuing this conversation in the Full



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Council meeting. Council Member Feldman offered to share publicly available Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources with the Executive Committee.

b. *Planning Discussion for Upcoming Council Meeting Agendas*

Mr. Augustyn framed how the proposed topics were developed. Discussion included topics of interest in the presentation slides. He asked the committee which topics stood out to members. Chair Oakley and Council Member Gill Case shared their interests on the topics presented. They both noted interest in System Reliability Procurement and the ConnectedSolutions program. Council Member Gill Case discussed dual fuel systems for homeowners and Acting Commissioner Kearns explained that Clean Heat RI allowed dual fuel systems. Changing the date of the July meeting was raised as an option because of what may happen with the legislature.

c. *Review of Consultant Services RFP Draft*

At 2:43 PM, Chair Oakley motions to move to executive session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-4(a). Council Member Gill Case seconded. All in favor, none opposed and the motion was approved. In executive session, Mr. Augustyn led a discussion of the consultant services RFP draft with Chair Oakley, Council Member Gill Case, and Acting Commissioner Kearns.

7. *Adjournment*

Chair Oakley adjourned the meeting at 3:01 PM.