



DRAFT - FULL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 18, 2026 | 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Department of Administration, Conference Room 2A, Providence, RI 02908

Members in Attendance:

Brett Feldman, Dr. Carrie Gill, Chris Kearns, Peter Gill Case, Joe Garlick, Sue AnderBois, Priscilla De La Cruz

Others in Attendance:

Steven Chybowski, David Augustyn, Katie Critelli, Toby Ast, Claire Williams, Seth Handy, Jordan Galluzzo, Bryan Evans, Bert Cooper, Theo Smith, Craig Johnson, Rachel Sholly, Adrian Caesar, Gretchen Calcagni, Anaya Farmer, Isabella Ribeiro, Jessica Reno (virtual), Rayna Rose (virtual), Stephanie Morse (virtual), Ryan Cote (virtual), Matt Sullivan (virtual), Atticus Makuch (virtual), Evan Tao (virtual), Spencer Lawrence (virtual), Shauna Beland (virtual), Tina Munter (virtual), Ann Clarke (virtual), Kyle Wallace (virtual), Emily Koo (virtual), Mark Siegal (virtual), Jeanne Cherry (virtual), Nathan Kocon (virtual), Brendan Dagher (virtual), Leo Eberman (virtual), Beth Messaglia (virtual), Nathan Cleveland (virtual)

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Gill Case called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. Chair Report

Vice Chair Gill Case began by sharing the meeting instructions for making public comment. Next, the Vice Chair provided an overview of the agenda which included a special presentation on the Green and Healthy Homes Initiative, program oversight, and council business. Vice Chair Gill Case shared that Melissa Travis (not present) was appointed as a new Council member, assuming the seat of former Council Member Magliocchetti. Vice Chair Gill Case spoke about Council Member Magliocchetti's service with the EEC and thanked him for his service. Vice Chair Gill Case announced that Mr. Johnson will be leaving the Consultant Team and thanked him for his years working with the EEC.

3. Executive Director Report

Acting Commissioner Kearns thanked Council Member Magliocchetti for his decade of service to the EEC and shared that he will join the EEC August meeting. For federal funding updates, DOE is requiring changes to the existing HEAR program, while the HER program is still awaiting DOE approval. He thanked Mr. Johnson for his work with the EEC and offered condolences to the Cirillo family. Joseph Cirillo was one of the original EEC members.

4. Meeting Minutes – May 28, 2026

A quorum was not met; the minutes will be held for the July meeting.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Special Topic

a. *Green and Healthy Homes Initiative Presentation and Discussion of Providence Whole House and Electrification Pilot to Remediate Pre-Weatherization Barriers*

Mr. Cooper and Mr. Evans provided an overview of the national organization, as well as the details of the pilot program running until April 2027. The results will then be evaluated, as well as opportunities to access other funding sources. Council Member De La Cruz praised the program.

7. Program Oversight

a. *Next Steps with System Reliability Procurement Planning and the ConnectedSolutions Program*

Mr. Cote of Rhode Island Energy presented on System Reliability Procurement (SRP) planning in connection with the three-year plan. He shared the timeline and the work plan with a planned due date on or before November 21, 2026. He provided the 2024-2026 SRP plan summary.

Ms. Reno provided an overview of the ConnectedSolutions program and the program's evolution. She outlined 2027-2029 program changes and the coordination of the program and the alignment with ConnectionSolutions. Vice Chair Gill Case asked about SRP being the only investment opportunity, and Council Member AnderBois asked for the Council to have these types of presentations more frequently.

8. Council Business

a. *Council Discussion on EEC Budgeting Process and Planning*

Mr. Chybowski of the Office of Energy Resources (OER) presented on the development of the budget. Mr. Johnson explained that the EEC budget is limited because it is tied to ratepayer fees by statute. Vice Chair Gill Case is interested in seeing the actual costs versus the projected costs. Mr. Handy spoke about forecasting budgets and Vice Chair Gill Case and Council Member AnderBois suggested exploring the possibility of elasticity year over year in the budget within the three-year planning process.

b. *Review and Potential Vote to Issue Consultant Services RFP*

Mr. Chybowski provided a high-level view of the timing of posting an RFP for the Council to procure their consultant services. Vice Chair Gill Case suggested Councilors review this in advance and prepare comments prior to July meeting.

9. Public Comment

None.

10. Adjournment 4:38 pm

Vice Chair Gill Case adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.