# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

**Thursday, July 16, 2026 | 2:00 – 3:00 PM**
**Department of Administration, Conference Room 2A, Providence, RI 02908**

**Members in Attendance:**
Chris Kearns, Harry Oakley, Peter Gill Case

**Others in Attendance:**
Priscilla De La Cruz, Brett Feldman, Steven Chybowski, Josh Cornell, Katie Critelli, Adrian Caesar, Genesis Ardon, Greta Williams, Olivia Poulos, Rachel Sholly

1. **Call to Order**
   Chair Oakley called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM.

2. **Chair Report**
   Chair Oakley began by sharing the meeting procedures on making public comment. He outlined the Council Business topics on the agenda. First, the Committee would discuss plans for upcoming Council meeting agendas. Then, OER would present on the Council's budget and draft Consultant Services RFP. For the discussions on the 2027-2029 draft EEC Budget Proposal and the RFP for Consultant Services, the Committee would decide whether to vote to enter into an executive session.

3. **Executive Director Report**
   Acting Commissioner Kearns held his report for the Full Council meeting.

4. **Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2026**
   Chair Oakley motioned to approve the April 16, 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. ***Planning Discussion for Upcoming Council Meeting Agendas***
      Mr. Chybowski of the Office of Energy Resources shared a presentation on upcoming EEC meetings including agendas and key dates. The Committee considered rescheduling the August EEC meeting, as the EEC believed they would need to vote on their endorsement of The Company's EE plan by 8/15/26 if the current LCP standards proposal holds. The next EEC meeting was August 20, 2026. The schedule included two

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September meetings because historically the vote to endorse the EE Plan was due by or before October 1st.
Ms. Sholly of the Consultant Team asked about including Fall LEAD session ideas for discussion on the August Full Council agenda. The Committee discussed having an agenda item at the Fall LEAD session about the three-year energy efficiency plan (if approved) as a continuation of the Spring LEAD session discussion on changing EEC meetings traditional monthly planning. Vice Chair Gill Case expressed interest in discussing Mid-Term Modifications (MTM) to the three-year energy efficiency plan. On the September agenda, OER suggested a presentation by the Rhode Island Builders Association (RIBA) on the Home Show results. Vice Chair Gill Case suggested having RIBA and GHHI present together. Vice Chair Gill Case would like to create space for information on demand-side management programming, possibly in October. Ms. Sholly asked about potential dates for the Fall LEAD session and October 5, 2026, was introduced as a tentative date.

***b. Committee Discussion on the 2027-2029 Draft EEC Budget Proposal***

Mr. Chybowski explained that the EEC needs to put together a three-year budget proposal and raised the question of whether funds should roll over from year to year within the three-year budget. Chair Oakley motioned to move to Executive Session; Vice Chair Gill Case seconded. All in favor, none opposed, and the meeting moved into Executive Session.

***c. Updates on Consultant Services RFP Draft***

The presentation and discussion on the Updates to the Consultant Services RFP Draft was held in Executive Session.

**7. Adjournment**

Chair Oakley ended the Executive Session and adjourned the meeting at 2:56 PM.