

City of Newport
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2026

Members' Present: Gina Cirelli, Denis Chenette, and Carole O'Connell

Members Absent:

Others Present: Zoning Administrator Frank Cheney

- **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Cirelli at 6:40 p.m.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Denis Chenette made a motion to approve the minutes of March 24, 2026, Carole O'Connell seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.
- **Public Comment:** none
- **Bylaw Modernization**
 - 1) Discussion addressing the city attorney's recent direction relating to the removal of "appeal responsibilities" from the Newport City Developmental Review Board. Topic to be revisited at the next scheduled meeting
 - 2) Final Review of Chapters 4-6 was initiated by the commission and will be added to the next meeting agenda.
- **Old Business:** None
- **New Business:** None
- **Agenda:** The next scheduled Planning Commission Meeting will be held on April 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. The agenda will include continued work on Bylaw Modernization.
- **Adjourn:** Denis Chenette made a motion to adjourn Carole O'Connell seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Approved this 21 day of April, 2026.

Gina C. Cirelli Chair, Newport City Planning Commission