

City of Newport
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2026

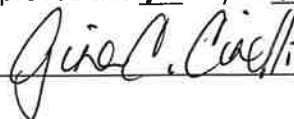
Members' Present: Gina Cirelli, Denis Chenette, and Carole O'Connell

Members Absent: Jay Walsh

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:** Carole O'Connell made a motion to approve the minutes of April 21, 2026, Denis Chenette seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.
- **Public Comment:** none
- **Bylaw Modernization**
Detailed final review of Sections 4-6 of the Draft Unified Development Regulations was reopened; significant progress was made.
- **Old Business:** Short discussion relating to Planning Commission Membership, no action
- **New Business:** Discussion on new trends in fence construction in Newport, to reopen the issue at the next meeting.
- **Agenda:** The next scheduled Planning Commission Meeting will be held on May 19, 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 9:10 p.m.

Approved this 19 day of May, 2026.



Chair, Newport City Planning Commission