



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
**ENERGY EFFICIENCY &
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

Thursday, November 17, 2022

Recommended Vote Language

6.a. Discussion and Potential Vote on Legal Services

Key Discussion Question(s): Legal Services

1. Does the Council feel the current contract structure meets their legal service needs?
2. Is the Council satisfied with the services being provided?
3. Would issuing a competitive procurement to the market for legal services be in the best interest of the Council and its budget?

Recommended vote language:

1. *To issue an RFP for Legal Services:* A motion to direct the Office of Energy Resources to draft a Request for Proposals (RFP) for legal services for the EERMC, to be reviewed by the Council at its December meeting before issuing it to the market.
2. *To execute EERMC's contract option:* A motion to execute the Council's contract option to effectuate a second and final 12-month extension to its current contract with Desautel Law to continue providing legal services to the EERMC. Further, to direct the Office of Energy Resources to work with OER's attorney and the Chair to execute this 12-month contract extension before April 30, 2023.

6.c. Overview of Market Potential Studies and Market Potential Study Data Refresh Proposal Recommendation and Vote

Key Discussion Question(s): Market Potential Study Refresh Proposals

1. Does the work plan provided by the vendor meet the Council's needs?
2. Would the vendor be able to deliver results in a timeframe helpful to the Council?
3. What elements of the scope are most critical to the Council for future planning purposes?

Recommended vote language options:

1. *To negotiate with current bidder:* A motion to authorize the Council's Consultant Team and the Office of Energy Resources to negotiate with Dunsky on a modified scope of work, budget, and timeline in line with the Council's expectations and needs and to bring an updated scope of work and budget for consideration at the December Council meeting.
2. *To reject current proposals and reissue the RFP:* A motion to reject the current proposal(s) for the Council's market potential study data refresh and to direct the Office of Energy Resources to reissue the RFP {with possible amendments}.
3. *To reject current proposals and to not reissue the RFP:* A motion to reject the current proposal(s) for the Council's market potential study data refresh and to not reissue the RFP.

6.d. Discussion and Potential Vote on the Council Meeting Calendar for 2023

Key Discussion Question(s): 2023 Meeting Calendar

1. Can the Council Member commit to being present on these dates?
2. Do the meeting dates allow for proper review and votes on anticipated Council business?

Recommended vote language options:

1. *Approving the 2023 EERMC Calendar:* A motion to approve the 2023 EERMC meeting calendar as presented and to direct the Office of Energy Resources to reserve meeting space and distribute calendar invites for these meetings dates to the Council as soon as possible.
2. *Approving the 2023 EERMC Calendar, with amendments:* A motion to approve the 2023 EERMC meeting calendar with the following amendments _____ and to direct the Office of Energy Resources to reserve meeting space and distribute calendar invites for these meetings dates to the Council as soon as possible.