



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Cannabis Control Commission

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Date: Friday, August 28, 2026
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Place: Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02886

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OPEN MEETING AGENDA

- A. Call to Order and introductory remarks from the Commission.**
- B. Motion to approve the minutes of the Open Session Meeting held on July 24, 2026.**
- C. Public Comment (in person only)**

- a. If you wish to speak, please sign up on the sign-in sheet so the Chairperson will know to call your name. The Chairperson will explain public comment procedures during the meeting and may limit the amount of time for each person to speak. If you have additional information that you wish to share with the Commission, please email it to CCCInquiry@ccc.ri.gov.

D. An update on the Adult-Use retail license process, to include Social Equity Program updates, the licensing process and key dates, and next steps for potential applicants.

E. A presentation by Commission staff on recent federal government actions related to cannabis and next steps for Rhode Island hemp licensees.

F. Motion to go into Executive Session, to wit:

- a. Vote to approve minutes of the Executive Session held on July 24, 2026, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(1).
- b. Update and discussion on pending litigation in *John Kenney v. Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission, et al.*, 24-00252, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2).
- c. Update and discussion on pending litigation in *Justyna Jensen v. Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission, et al.*, 24-00191, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2).
- d. Update and discussion on pending litigation in *Justin Palmore v. Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission, et al.*, 25-00622, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2).
- e. Update and discussion on pending litigation in *Ancora Partners, LLC v. Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission*, PC-2026-02802, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2).

G. Motion to return to Open Session.

H. Motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session on August 28, 2026.

I. Report out on actions and votes taken in Executive Session.

J. Next Meeting Date: September 18, 2026.

K. Adjournment

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-6(b), additional items may be added to the agenda by a majority vote of the members and shall be for “informational purposes only and may not be voted on except where necessary to address an unexpected occurrence that requires immediate action to protect the public or to refer the matter to an appropriate committee or to another body or official.” Any additional item so added may be considered in Executive Session provided that it complies with R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 42-46-4(a) & -5(a).

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