



**GENERAL SESSION MINUTES OF THE  
TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL OF TEXAS, INC.**

8000 Metropolis Drive (Building E), Suite 100, Boardroom B  
Austin, Texas 78744  
April 20, 2026

Pursuant to notice duly given and after determination that a quorum was present, the meeting of the Technology and Security (T&S) Committee of the Board of Directors (Board) of Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT) convened on the above-referenced date.

**Meeting Attendance**

**Present:** John Swainson (Chair), Linda Capuano, Bill Mohl, Julie England, Christopher Krummel, Benjamin Barkley †, Pablo Vegas †, Kathleen Jackson †, Bill Flores †, Kathleen McAllister †, Courtney Hjaltman †, Peggy Heeg †, and Thomas Gleason †

**Attending:** Chad Seely †, Jayapal Parakkuth, Venkata Tirupati, Cynthia Hahne, Drew Bonser, Maya Nyalubwe, Bryan Hanley, Roti Akanni-Owoo, Richard Scheel, Ajay Mannepalli, Jeff Billo, Keith Collins, Dan Woodfin, Austin Rosel, Mandy Bauld, Woody Rickerson, Adam Martinez, John Messer, and Jason Lassiter

*†Attended for part of the meeting*

**Convene General Session**

The Technology and Security (T&S) Committee of the ERCOT Board of Directors convened in General Session at approximately 8:30 a.m.

**Call General Session to Order (Agenda Item 1)**

Chair John Swainson confirmed that a quorum was present. The meeting was publicly noticed and webcast live.

**ERCOT Antitrust & Security Admonition**

The Antitrust Admonition and security map were included in the meeting materials.

**Notice of Public Comment, if Any (Agenda Item 2)**

The meeting was posted on the ERCOT website on April 13, 2026, providing instructions for public comment in person. Cynthia Hahne confirmed that no requests for public comment were received.

**February 9, 2026 General Session Meeting Minutes (Agenda Item 3)**

The Committee reviewed the draft minutes of the February 9, 2026 General Session.



**Motion:** Julie England, seconded by Linda Capuano, moved to approve the February 9, 2026 General Session meeting minutes.

**Key Decisions:** Approved by unanimous voice vote with no abstentions.

#### **Hybrid Hydrogen / Natural Gas Power Solutions for ERCOT (Agenda Item 4)**

Dr. Paul Browning presented the Hybrid Hydrogen/ Natural Gas Power Solutions for ERCOT.

Dr. Browning discussed a Delta, Utah energy storage project, including its development, infrastructure, and role within the Western Interconnect. The hybrid hydrogen/ natural gas power solution built there provides a long-duration storage solution for extreme demand periods, not baseload use. A similar project, Dr. Browning noted, would be possible in Texas and discussed its potential applicability to the ERCOT region.

#### **Approval of the Company's Strategic Plan for AI (Agenda Item 5)**

Venkat Tirupati presented the approval of the Company's Strategic Plan for AI.

The Strategic Plan is aligned with ERCOT objectives and was developed by focusing on data foundations, responsible AI, and value realization. KPMG assessed ERCOT's AI program and scored the current maturity at 1.6/5. This score is ahead of industry peers. Governance structures and corporate policies are either in place or being drafted to support implementation of the plan. The 2026 priorities of the Strategic Plan include five governed data streams and three generative AI applications.

The Committee emphasized the opportunities to improve ERCOT efficiency with AI, including coordination with external stakeholders and ensuring AI-dedicated staffing is developed in alignment with the Plan.

**Motion:** Linda Capuano, seconded by Bill Mohl, moved to approve the Company's Strategic Plan for AI.

**Key Decisions:** Approved by unanimous voice vote with no abstentions.

#### **Committee Briefs (Agenda Item 6)**

##### **Projects and Technology Update (Agenda Item 6.1)**

Mandy Bauld presented the Projects and Technology Update.

Project delivery is increasing in Q2 as FTE capacity becomes available following the wind-down of the RTC+B project. The current portfolio is evenly split between internal and external initiatives. Significant projects for 2026 are: Identity Access Management Program, Data Center 6 Program, and ERCOT Website Redesign. Upcoming application release schedule for April through June were reviewed.

#### **Future Agenda Items (Agenda Item 7)**

Jayapal Parakkuth presented the Future Agenda Items.



**Other Business (Agenda Item 8)**

No other business was raised.

**Convene Executive Session**

Chair Swainson noted that no voting items were anticipated following the Executive Session. The Committee recessed General Session at approximately 10:00 a.m. Executive Session convened at approximately 10:01 a.m.

**Reconvene General Session**

Executive Session recessed at approximately 11:07 a.m. General Session was not reconvened.

**Vote on Matters from Executive Session (Agenda Item 9)**

There were no voting items from Executive Session.

**Adjournment (Agenda Item 10)**

Chair Swainson adjourned the meeting upon the conclusion of Executive Session at approximately 11:07 a.m.

Committee materials and presentations from the meeting are available on ERCOT's website at <https://www.ercot.com/committees/board/tech-security>.



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