

Town of Pomona Park, Florida

Town Council Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2026

Town Hall Council Chambers

1757 Hwy 17 South, Pomona Park, Florida

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anthony Cuevas called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mayor Cuevas.

3. MOMENT OF REFLECTION

A moment of reflection was observed.

4. ROLL CALL

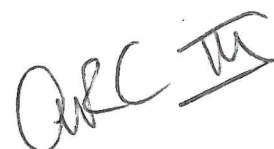
Present:

- ☒ Councilman Swanson
- ☒ Councilman Rohrbaugh
- ☒ Councilwoman Mead
- ☒ Councilwoman Kuleski
- ☒ Mayor Pro-Tem Councilwoman Evans

Absent:

- ☐ Councilwoman Cooney

A quorum was established.



5. WELCOME VISITORS & AGENDA AMENDMENT

Mayor Cuevas welcomed all residents and visitors.

Motion: Councilwoman Evans moved to amend the agenda to move Public Comment forward and place the Burn Ban Resolution under New Business.

Second: Councilman Swanson

Vote: Unanimous

Result: Motion passed

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Town Clerk Andrea Almeida presented correspondence.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting – March 10, 2026

Motion: Councilwoman Evans

Second: Councilman Swanson

Vote: Unanimous

Result: Motion passed

8. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

SWAT Students Presentation

Jenny Ramos, Tobacco Prevention Manager, introduced SWAT students who presented on the harmful effects of smoking and tobacco litter in parks and public spaces. Students shared data, including cigarette waste findings and statewide comparisons of smoke-free areas.

Students spoke on:

- Environmental harm to parks and wildlife
- Health risks, especially for children
- The importance of maintaining clean, shared public spaces

Students collectively advocated for tobacco-free parks.



Public comment included support from Mr. Ralph Devitto, who emphasized the importance of youth advocacy and encouraged the Town to consider adopting a smoke-free parks ordinance.

Doris Carroll presented a Youth Champion Certificate to Jenny Ramos.

Proclamation 2026-07 – Water Conservation Month

Mayor Cuevas read and presented the proclamation.

Proclamation 2026-08 – Organ Donation Awareness Month

Councilwoman Evans read and presented the proclamation.

Mayor Cuevas recognized Councilwoman Evans for her personal contribution and advocacy.

Proclamation 2026-09 – Professional Municipal Clerks Week

Councilwoman Kuleski read and presented the proclamation recognizing municipal clerks.

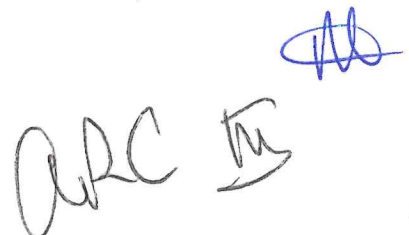
Public Comment – RCMA Lease

Public Comment was opened for the Topic of the RCMA Lease.

Pamela Washington- spoke about the Pomona Park Center and what it's been used for in the past. Mrs. Washington explained what the RCMA provides for the community. It's a free service provided. Head Start provides jobs in the community, community service hours for students and adults. Open access to the local programs. Neighbors, families and businesses help support the center. Ensure that every student gets a strong start. Many families will not have access.

Corrine Southall- Beecher Springs- all four of her children have attended the center. It will be taking away jobs. Everything is provided for the children. It's needed in the community.

Erica Clemons- 301 Chesser Monroe- speaking on behalf of the center, it provides for other areas. The goal is to keep people employed. This is sometimes the only food the children receive.



Valorie Murrie- 1500 Palatka Fl, retired from Headstart, it's important that the program stays open. It will be a loss of jobs, transportation, daily meals. Asking for the center to stay in place.

Charles Behm- PO box 10- spoke about the town using the center. Is this not a better use of the current property. Asked about what the town will use the current space for.

Ms. Jones- 716 Palmetto St- the RCMA serves a lot of families in the community not just Pomona Park, but surrounding areas. For the safety of the children, not a lot of day cares are in the area. The Center provides this for free.

Mayor Cuevas thanked the audience members for the feedback.

A 5 Minute Break was held.

9. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

None.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Finance Officer Jennifer Paul presented the check register and trial balance. Councilmember Evans inquired about vendor listings Councilmember Swanson questioned the T-Mobile expense.

Road & Streets Report

Councilman Swanson reported:

- Ongoing concerns regarding speeding
- Requests for speed bumps on A Street and North Broward Street
- Discussion of enforcement tools including cameras, drones, and bait vehicles

Mayor Cuevas reported coordination with Putnam County to install crosswalks on County roads. The Town will fund a crosswalk on Prospect Street at a cost of \$505.



Code Enforcement Report

Deferred to next month.

11. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2026-04 – Emergency Burn Ban

Motion: Councilwoman Kuleski

Second: Councilwoman Evans

Vote: Unanimous

Result: Motion passed

2. Founders Day / Great Celebration Planning

Council discussed event planning, including:

- Vendors and entertainment
- Community partnerships
- Event logistics

Notable updates:

- Putnam Health & Wellness sponsoring water slide
- Vendor outreach ongoing
- Entertainment scheduled

Staff directed to continue planning.

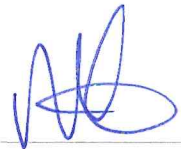
3. Town Sign Replacement

Motion: Councilwoman Evans moved to approve up to \$1,500 for two entrance signs.

Second: Councilwoman Mead

Vote: Unanimous

Result: Motion passed



4. FDEM Required Training



Discussion regarding compliance with emergency management training requirements.

5. Clerk School & FMIT Summit Approval

Motion: Councilwoman Evans moved to approve Clerk attendance at training and to reschedule the June meeting to June 16

Second: Councilwoman Kuleski

Additional Motion:

Councilwoman Evans moved to reschedule the June Council meeting to June 16

Second by Councilman Swanson

Vote: Unanimous

Result: Motions passed

6. Cybersecurity Grant

Discussion regarding participation in the Florida Local Government Cybersecurity Grant Program.

12. DISCUSSION BY TOWN COUNCIL

Council discussed:

- Yard debris scheduling procedures
 - Park lighting and safety concerns
 - Status of Town equipment
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13. DISCUSSION BY TOWN ATTORNEY

Town Attorney Leo Villegas provided updates regarding:

- Enforcement challenges for smoking-related ordinances
- Potential need for special magistrates or prosecutors
- Limitations due to lack of local police enforcement



Discussion included consideration of alternative approaches such as resolutions.



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14. DISCUSSION BY TOWN CLERK

Town Clerk Andrea Almeida provided administrative updates.

15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public comments included:

- Request from Larry Flaman to serve as a Town representative to the BOCC
 - Questions regarding the need for such representation
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16. UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Great Celebration / Founders Day – May 16, 2026**
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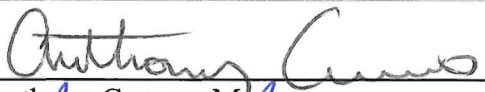
17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:18 PM.

Motion to Adjourn: Councilwoman Mead

APPROVAL

Approved by the Town Council on: _____



Anthony Cuevas, Mayor



Andrea Almeida, CMC, Town Clerk

