



**City Council  
Approved Minutes  
April 27, 2026  
Council Chambers  
6:30 PM**



**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**Present:** 5 - Councilmember Stephen Schoene, Councilmember Vance Guthrie, Councilmember Scot French, Councilmember Bill Randolph, Mayor John Lowndes

**Absent:** 0 -

Mayor Lowndes called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. on April 27, 2026. Staff in attendance included: City Manager Reggentin, Assistant City Manager Lewis, City Clerk Hollingsworth, City Attorney Shepard, Parks and Recreation Director Conn, Finance Director Gray, Public Works Director Tracy, Fire Chief Morton, Police Chief Manuel, Community Development Director Daniels, Assistant Public Works Director Chris Kennedy, Executive Assistant Longo, Deputy City Clerk McCurdy and Public Information Officer Sargent.

**II. PRESENTATION**

**1. PROCLAMATION: ARBOR DAY.**

Mayor Lowndes read the proclamation aloud and presented it to Assistant Public Works Director Kennedy, declaring April 24, 2026, as Arbor Day in the City of Maitland.

**III. SWEARING-IN CEREMONY**

**1. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mayor Lowndes offered a moment of silence.

**2. PRESENTATION OF COLORS**

Mayor Lowndes called for the Presentation of Colors by the Maitland Honor Guard.

The Maitland Honor Guard presented arms, followed by Mayor Lowndes leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. POSTING OF COLORS**

The Posting of Colors was conducted by the Maitland Honor Guard.

**4. OATH OF OFFICE: KEITH GIVENS & BILL RANDOLPH**

Tom Rossetter administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Keith Givens.

Joan Randolph administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Bill Randolph.

**5. SPECIAL RECOGNITION: COUNCIL MEMBER GUTHRIE**

Mayor Lowndes, on behalf of the City Council, expressed appreciation to Councilmember Guthrie for his dedicated service. Councilmember Guthrie served on the Maitland City Council from April 2020 to April 2026, including two years as Vice Mayor. Councilmember Guthrie shared his sincere gratitude to past and present members of the City Council, city staff, and his family for their support. Mayor Lowndes then presented Councilmember Guthrie with a service award in recognition of his contributions.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Lowndes noted that the Consent Item No. 1 was the only item on the Consent Agenda and opened the floor for discussion and/or a motion. There being no discussion, a motion was made to approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Approve</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	<b>Councilmember Randolph</b>
<b>SECONDER:</b>	<b>Councilmember Givens</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	<b>Stephen Schoene, Keith Givens, Scot French, Bill Randolph, John Lowndes</b>
<b>NAYS:</b>	<b>None</b>

**1. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2026.**

Approve the City Council meeting minutes of April 13, 2026, as presented.

**VI. PUBLIC PERIOD**

Mayor Lowndes opened the Public Period. As no one wished to speak, the Public Period was closed.

**VII. DECISIONS**

There were no items for consideration.

**VIII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/CITY ATTORNEY/COUNCIL REPORTS**

City Attorney Shepard announced the need for an attorney-client shade session pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes, to discuss pending litigation in Case No. 2023-CA-015559-O, Wilson. He stated that the following individuals would be in attendance: Mayor John Lowndes; City Council Members Bill Randolph, Scot French, Keith Givens, and Stephen Schoene; City Manager Mark Reggentin; City Attorney Cliff Shepard and/or Drew Smith; a certified court reporter from Milestone Court Reporting; and a legal representative from Roper & Roper, Donovan Roper and/or Ian Depagnier. No other individuals will be permitted in the closed session. The session is limited to discussions of settlement negotiations and strategy related to litigation expenditures. Council

agreed by consensus to schedule the meeting.

Mr. Reggentin proposed scheduling the meeting for Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. Council concurred by consensus with the proposed date and time. Mr. Shepard stated that the meeting would convene in the Council Chambers in an open session, after which the Council will announce the transition into the shade session. The meeting will then adjourn to a separate conference room, along with the court reporter, for discussion and questions. No decisions will be made during the shade session. Upon conclusion, the meeting will reconvene in open session in the Council Chambers for any necessary action. The transcript will be made part of the official record and maintained by the Clerk under seal until the litigation is concluded.

Councilmember Randolph stated that he will serve as the alternate member for MetroPlan Orlando's Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) and will attend the May 7, 2026, meeting in place of former Councilmember Guthrie.

#### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.