

**MINUTES  
CITY OF LEXINGTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 2, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.  
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. CALL TO ORDER:** – Mayor Grote

- A. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Winge and Benson

*Mayor Grote called to order the Regular City Council meeting for May 2, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present: Benson, Devries, and Winge Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Chris Galiov, Finance Director, City Attorney Kurt Glaser; Steve Winter, City Engineer; Erik Edwards, Fire Chief; Mike Kaeding and Marie Dickover, Norhart; Numerous Centennial High School Students.*

**3. CITIZENS FORUM**

*No citizens were present to discuss items not on the agenda.*

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS**

*Councilmember DeVries made a motion to approve the agenda without changes or corrections. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.*

**5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

- A. Airport (Councilmember Devries) – *Devries provided an update on the April meeting. He discussed the construction projects at the airport. He also discussed the aviation elementary school.*
- B. Cable Commission (Councilmember Winge) *Quarterly meetings – No meeting*
- C. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) – *Petracek updated the Council on AFSCME Union negotiations. He stated they have a tentative agreement on the contract. He also updated the Council on the business remodels – AutoZone, Curious Crow Company, and the old Cooks Auto Body. Discussion ensued.*

**6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Reports 4-10 through 4-23, 2024
- B. Council Workshop meeting synopsis

*No discussion on Letters and Communications*

**7. CONSENT ITEMS:**

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:  
Council Meeting – April 18, 2024
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:  
Check #'s 51486 through 51528  
Check #'s 15187 through 15201

***Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

#### **8. ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. Recommendation to accept Diane Harris' resignation from Lexington City Council submitted April 21, 2024 effective immediately and declare a Council vacancy.

***Councilmember Winge made a motion to accept Diane Harris' resignation from Lexington City Council submitted April 21, 2024 effective immediately and declare a Council vacancy. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

- B. Recommendation to approve Resolution NO. 24-11 A Resolution Accepting Bid for Griggs Avenue mill and overlay

***Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve Resolution NO. 24-11 A Resolution Accepting a Bid for Griggs Avenue mill and overlay. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

- C. Recommendation to hire Joshua Baak and Damon Lundberg-Luken to the Lexington Fire Department at \$12.65 per hour

***Councilmember Devries made a motion to hire Joshua Baak and Damon Lundberg-Luken to the Lexington Fire Department at \$12.65 per hour. Councilmember Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

- D. Recommendation to approve Lexington Fire Department's request to sell Utility Two (2) – 2007 Ford Ambulance

***Councilmember Devries made a motion approve Lexington Fire Department's request to sell Utility Two (2) – 2007 Ford Ambulance. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

- E. Recommendation to approve Circle Lex Lions Special Event License for Lexington Farmers Market – June 12<sup>th</sup> through October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

***Councilmember Benson made a motion to approve Circle Lex Lions Special Event License for Lexington Farmers Market – June 12th through October 2nd, 2024. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

- F. Recommendation to grant the developer Norhart – extension of time, allowing them to record their plat. This extension would be for a period of six (6) months, and if additional time is required, the City Administrator may approve additional time up to one (1) year.

***Councilmember Devries made a motion granting Lexington Lofts, LLC, a period of six-months to register parcels as required in their Development Agreement with the City; and granting the City Administrator authority to extend that period by an additional six-months, and granting the City Administrator authority execute documents allowing Lexington Lofts to reconfigure parcels and to obtain refinancing of their property, so long as such actions are consistent with the Development Agreement. Councilmember Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

- G. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance Amendment Section 2.30 Board and Commission Generally and Section 2.33 Park Board

***The City Council discussed the first reading of the proposed amendment to Section 2.30 Board and Commission Generally and Section 2.33 Park Board. Councilmember Winge stated he had a conversation with Gloria Murphy, Park Board member, and both of them agreed that the Park Board only needs to meet three times a year. Discussion ensued.***

***The consensus of the City Council is to amend the proposed ordinance for the second reading to reflect having quarterly Park Board meetings (4 meetings) and pay them \$100/meeting.***

- H. Recommendation to approve Park Board recommendation to fill Park Board vacancy with Amanda Baugh-Buys

***Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve Park Board recommendation to fill the Park Board vacancy with Amanda Baugh-Buys. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

- I. Recommendation to appoint Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ as Vice Mayor

***Councilmember Benson made a motion to appoint Councilmember Winge as Vice Mayor. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.***

***Councilmember Devries discussed replacing Harris position on the Council. Attorney Glaser stated the Council can pick whomever they want to fill the position. He explained that there are no strong rules or laws about filling the position once it has been officially vacated; The City Council could amend the agenda tonight and appoint someone to fill the position. Discussion ensued.***

***Councilmember Devries stated he wanted former Mayor Mike Murphy to fill the position. Mayor Grote stated he has a neighbor that would be interested in filling the position. Discussion ensued.***

*The consensus of the City Council was to hold a Special City Council meeting Thursday May 9th at 7:00 PM to consider interested individuals and make the appointment.*

#### **9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT**

*Mayor Grote asked about the commercial building sprinkler ordinance and understood there were problems with enforcement due to it not being filed with Department of Commerce. Attorney Glaser stated that it has been filed with the Department of Commerce and everything is good.*

#### **10. ADJOURNMENT**

*Councilmember Bensons made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.*