

**CITY OF LEXINGTON  
WORKSHOP SYNOPSIS  
Thursday, August 15, 2024  
Immediately following Council meeting  
City Hall**

**1. Call to Order:** Mayor Grote

**2. Roll Call:** DeVries – Murphy – Winge – Benson

*Mayor Grote called to order the workshop for August 15, 2024 at 7:11p.m. Councilmembers present: Benson, Devries, Murphy, and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Mary Vinzant, Deputy City Clerk; Lexington Citizens.*

**3. Discussion Items:**

A. Discuss Presentation by the Anoka County Election Integrity Team (ACEIT)

*Mary Vinzant, Deputy City Clerk, addressed the Council about the Anoka County Election Integrity Team brochure. Vinzant explained the election process and the amount of auditing on an hourly basis to ensure vote counts are accurate during an election. She discussed the election process and the audits done by Anoka County to further ensure accuracy. She feels that the need to recount ballots is unnecessary due to the constant testing of the election process. Discussion ensued.*

*The consensus of the City Council was to not move forward with adopting a Resolution to authorize a double count of election ballots.*

B. Discuss 2025 Preliminary Budget & Preliminary Levy

*Petracek provided a PowerPoint presentation of the 2025 preliminary budget and levy. Petracek stated that the recommendation is to approve a 5% increase for the preliminary levy for the 2024 tax year and 2025 budget. He provided an explanation of the capital improvements and maintenance items for the coming year. Discussion ensued.*

**4. Staff Input**

*No staff input*

**5. Council Input**

*No Council input*

**6. Adjourn**

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Councilmember Grote seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*