

**CITY OF LEXINGTON
COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA
RESOLUTION NO. 22-35**

**A Resolution In Support of Anoka County Joint Law
Enforcement Council's Renewal of Legislation for Future
Public Safety Projects**

Whereas, the Anoka County Joint Law Enforcement Council (JLEC), a joint powers board, was formed in 1970 to benefit the public safety of the citizens of Anoka County; and

Whereas, the JLEC has over five decades of experience successfully creating and managing shared services for its member communities;

Whereas, the City of Lexington has actively participated in the JLEC through the participation of our chief law enforcement officer and our elected officials; and

Whereas, the safety of the public and police and fire personnel will be enhanced by improvements from future county-wide projects; and

Whereas, both residents of and public safety agencies in Anoka County have benefited from improved public safety, increased effectiveness, and resource conservation due to the resulting economies of scale provided by shared and consolidated services; and

Whereas, the JLEC desires to implement future shared public safety projects to help law enforcement, fire, jail, dispatch, and emergency preparedness agencies render the highest quality of public safety services to the populations they serve; and

Whereas, Minn. Stat. 383E.21 has authorized the County of Anoka to levy property taxes for public safety improvements and equipment, and to issue capital improvement bonds and capital notes for such public safety projects as are approved by the JLEC until Dec. 31, 2023; and

Whereas, the JLEC supports a legislative change to allow the use of the bonding and capital notes issuance authority, provided in Minnesota Statute 383E.21, to fund countywide public safety projects until Dec. 31, 2033;

Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Lexington does with this action, support and endorse the extension of the existing bonding and capital note issuance authority under Minn. Stat. 383E.21 until Dec. 31, 2033; and

Be it further resolved that the City Council does hereby support this expansion of the public safety bonding and capital note issuance authority, provided by Minn. Stat. 383E.21, to county-wide public safety projects.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON THIS 1st DAY OF DECEMBER 2022.

ATTEST:

Mike Murphy, Mayor

Bill Petracek, City Administrator