

**AGENDA
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2025– 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Murphy

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

3. CITIZENS FORUM

This is a portion of the Council meeting where individuals will be allowed to address the Council on subjects which are not a part of the meeting agenda. Persons wishing to speak may be required to complete a sign-up sheet and give it to a staff person at the meeting. The Council may take action or reply at the time of the statement or may give direction to staff for future action based on the concerns expressed

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

5. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Quad Community Press wishes to be Official Newspaper for 2026

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B. Planning and Zoning Minutes – December 9, 2025

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Consent Agenda:

The Consent Agenda covers routine administrative matters. These items are not discussed and are approved in their entirety pursuant to the recommendations on the staff reports. A Council Member or citizen may ask that an item be moved from the Consent Agenda to the end of section 7 of the agenda in order to be discussed and receive separate action.

6. CONSENT ITEMS:

A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:

Council Meeting – December 4, 2025

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B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:

Check #'s 53587 through 53633

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Check #'s 15972 through 15993

C. Financial Reports

• Cash Balances

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• Fund Summary – Budget to Actual

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Action Items:

These items are intended primarily for Council discussion and action. It is up to the discretion of the Mayor as to what, if any, public comment will be heard on these items. Persons wishing to speak on discussion items must complete a sign-up sheet and give it to a staff person at the meeting.

7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Recommendation to accept Councilmember Robert Benson's resignation from Lexington City Council submitted December 4, 2025, and declare a City Council Vacancy on January 1, 2026.

B. Recommendation to approve Northway Tobacco 2026 Cannabinoids License Renewal

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C. Recommendation to approve Boulevard Bar and Grill 2026 Cannabinoids License Renewal

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8. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

9. ADMINISTRATOR INPUT

10. CLOSED SESSION

- This portion of the meeting will be closed to the public as permitted under the Minnesota Open Meeting Law, Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3(c)(1), which allows a meeting to be closed to determine the asking price for real or personal property related to the City's water distribution system that is proposed to be sold by the City.

11. ADJOURNMENT

****No City Council Workshop****

November 19, 2025

Mr. Bill Petracek
City Administrator
City of Lexington
9180 Lexington Avenue N.
Lexington, MN 55014

Dear Mr. Petracek:

The *Quad Community Press* wishes to again be your official newspaper for 2026.

Here is what our subscribers are saying, "Local stories, city council and sports." "I read every paper cover to cover. I love it!"

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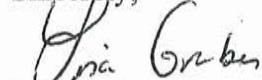
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Lisa Gruber
Legal Notice Coordinator

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MINUTES
REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
December 9, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.
9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call: Chairperson Bautch, Commissioners Koch, Murphy, Thorson, and Winge

Chairperson Bautch called to order the Regular Planning Commission meeting December 9, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners Present: Michelle Koch, Gloria Murphy, Ron Thorson, and Brandon Winge. Also present: Councilmember Kim Devries; Bill Petracek, City Administrator.

2. CITIZENS FORUM

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

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Murphy made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Thorson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATION

A. Building Permits for November 2025

No discussion on Letters and Communications.

5. APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

B. November 10, 2025

Murphy made a motion to approve the November 10, 2025 Planning Commission Minutes as presented. Thorson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. DISCUSSION ITEM:

A. Discuss Regulating Homeless Encampments on Private Property

Petracek provided an overview of the city attorney's written opinion on homeless encampments residing on private and public properties. He stated that the city attorney explained to him that the City of Lexington has more than enough regulations in their ordinances to deal with a homeless encampment in the community, if the need arises. Discussion ensued.

Bautch made a motion to table the discussion indefinitely regarding regulating homeless encampments on private property. Thorson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

7. NOTE COUNCIL MINUTES:

- A. November 6, 2025
- B. November 20, 2025

Discussion about Lexington Lofts final plat.

8. PLANNING COMMISSION INPUT

Winge asked if there could be signage installed at Lexington Ave. (southbound) and Lovell Road intersection near the right turn lane indicating Lovell Road. He added that people think they are turning onto Lake Dr. and when they realize it is Lovell Road, they swerve back into traffic creating unsafe driving conditions. Discussion ensued.

Bautch discussed the bright lights at Pancho's that light up the sign. He stated that it is blinding when you turn onto Woodland Road. Discussion ensued.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Thorson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

MINUTES
CITY OF LEXINGTON
PUBLIC HEARING – TRUTH IN TAXATION 7:00 PM
&
MINUTES
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Murphy

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

Mayor Murphy called to order the Truth in Taxation hearing for December 4, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Benson, Devries, and Hunt. Excused Absence: Mahr. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Mike Mohler, Fire Chief; John Jackson; Assistant Fire Chief; Quad Press; Numerous Centennial High School students.

2. PUBLIC HEARING: TRUTH IN TAXATION

A. Final Proposed 2026 Budget

No citizens were present to discuss the 2026 Budget and the proposed 5% General Levy increase. Discussion ensued.

3. ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING

Councilmember Benson made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

4. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Murphy

B. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Benson, Mahr and Hunt

Mayor Murphy called to order the Regular Council meeting for December 4, 2025 at 7:05 p.m. Councilmember's present: Benson, Devries, and Hunt. Excused Absence: Mahr. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Mike Mohler, Fire Chief; John Jackson; Assistant Fire Chief; Quad Press; Numerous Centennial High School students.

5. CITIZENS FORUM

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

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Councilmember Benson made a motion to approve the agenda with the removal of Item #10 – Closed Session, and add Call to Order item to the Regular meeting agenda. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

7. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

- C. Airport (Councilmember Devries) – *No report.*
- D. Cable Commission (Councilmember Mahr) *Quarterly meetings – No report*
- E. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) – *Petracek stated that Chipotle will be opening December 10th, with a soft opening for family and friends this weekend. Discussion ensued.*

Choose a building block.

- 8. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:
- F. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Reports -11-12 through 11-18, 2025
- G. 2026 Meeting Date Calendar
- H. Council Workshop meeting minutes – November 20, 2025

Petracek asked if the Council as a whole agreed with removing the NMTV reports and Police reports. He added that Councilmember Mahr asked him after the last meeting if the police reports needed to be included in the packet, as well. Discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Council agreed that both reports could be emailed instead of being included in the packet.

9. CONSENT ITEMS:

- I. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
Council Meeting – November 20, 2025
- J. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:
Check #'s 53536 through 53586
Check #'s 15952 through 15968

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

10. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to approve Resolution NO. 25-15 A Resolution Certifying 2025 Tax Levy Collectable In 2026

Councilmember Benson made a motion to approve Resolution NO. 25-15 A Resolution Certifying 2025 Tax Levy Collectable In 2026. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

- B. Recommendation to approve Resolution NO. 25-16 A Resolution Adopting Final 2026 Operating Budget For The City Of Lexington

Councilmember Benson made a motion to approve Resolution NO. 25-16 A Resolution Adopting Final 2026 Operating Budget For The City Of Lexington. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

- C. Recommendation to approve Lexington Municipal Liquors 2026 Cannabinoids License Renewal

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve Lexington Municipal Liquors 2026 Cannabinoids License Renewal. Councilmember Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

11. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

Councilmember Benson stated that he will be moving out of Lexington and will be resigning his position on the City Council January 1st. Discussion ensued.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Devries made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Councilmember Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Claims & Bills

Under Separate Cover

Available Upon Request



CANNABINOID LICENSE RENEWAL

November 17, 2025

Dear Applicant: Northway Tobacco

Renewal of your Cannabinoids License is required now.

As this is a new procedure we will allow you to verify information on your original application as true and correct and sign below stating that fact.

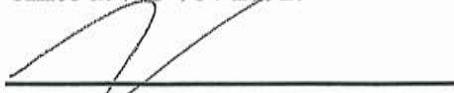
If any portion of the (enclosed) original application differs from what was initially submitted, a new application must be filled out and presented to the City of Lexington no later than December 11, 2025 for approval at the December 17, 2025 Lexington City Council meeting.

City Code regarding cannabinoids and general licensing provisions are also provided on the City website at <http://www.ci.lexington.mn.us>

All fees are due when the application is submitted. The fee for a cannabinoids license is **\$100.00** annually. **There is also a non-refundable background investigation fee of \$500 for a new cannabinoids license. This fee is waived if the information on your original application as true and correct and signed below stating that fact.**

Changes in store manager require additional documentation and background investigation with the city. Checks should be made payable to City of Lexington. In the event a license is denied, the license fee will be refunded.

If you have questions about the forms, regulations or the process, please feel free to contact this office at 763-784-2792.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Northway Tobacco".Nabill Wazwaz12-4-25

Signed:

Printed Name:

Date:

License #:	
Receipt #:	
Date:	
Fee Paid:	100.00



CANNABINOID LICENSE RENEWAL

November 17, 2025

Dear Applicant: Boulevard Bar and Grille

Renewal of your Cannabinoids License is required now.

As this is a new procedure we will allow you to verify information on your original application as true and correct and sign below stating that fact.

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Signed:

Printed Name: *Amanda Knobbe* Date: *11/17/25*

License #:	
Receipt #:	
Date:	
Fee Paid:	100.00