

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.