





#### LEXINGTON SMALL IN SIZE BIG ON PRIDE

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<u>Department</u>
763-784-1604

Lexington Liquor Matt Rivard Karen Larson Gordon Lagerstrand 763-786-0198 City Offices will be closed in observance of the following Holidays 2025

> January 1st New Years Day

January 20th MLK Day

February 17th Presidents Day

**April 18th** Good Friday

May 26th Memorial Day

June 19th Juneteenth

July 4th
Independence Day

September 1st Labor Day

November 11th Veteran's Day

**November 27th** Thanksgiving

November 28th
Day after Thanksgiving

**December 24th**Christmas Eve
Closed at Noon

**December 25th**Christmas

**December 26th**Day After Christmas

**December 31st**New Year's Eve
Closed at Noon

Dear Residents of Lexington,

Thank you for placing your trust in me once again as your Mayor. Serving this incredible community is both an honor and a privilege, and I am excited to get back to work on your behalf. I promise to work collaboratively with the city council and city staff to ensure Lexington is run efficiently, honestly, and transparently.

I would like to extend a warm welcome and congratulations to long-time residents Barb Mahr and Jill Hunt on their election to the city council. I look forward to working closely with them as we address the needs and opportunities ahead. Together, we will continue to build on Lexington's success.

Additionally, I am excited to continue working with Councilmembers Kim DeVries and Bobby Benson. Their dedication to Lexington and their experience on the council are invaluable as we work to serve the needs of our city. I would also like to express my heartfelt thanks to outgoing councilmember Brandon Winge for his years of service, input, and dedication to Lexington. His contributions have left a lasting impact, and we wish him the very best in his future endeavors. A special thank you goes to our city staff and administration for their leadership, dedication, and responsibility to our city. Your hard work ensures Lexington continues to run smoothly and thrive.

Lexington has exciting times ahead. We are nearing the completion of the upgrades to Memorial Park, entering the preliminary phases of redeveloping Lovell Drive in partnership with Anoka County, and exploring additional opportunities to enhance city services for all residents. These initiatives are part of our shared commitment to improving the quality of life for everyone in Lexington.

I remain committed to my campaign promise of responsible government. We will keep our city safe by supporting the needs of our Fire and Police Departments, resolving the water dispute with the City of Blaine to secure high-quality water for years to come, and maintaining fiscal responsibility while balancing thoughtful development.

I encourage all residents to get involved in our city's progress. Please stop by City Hall or join us at a City Council meeting, held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. Your input and engagement are invaluable to shaping Lexington's future.

Thank you again for your trust and confidence. If there's ever anything I can assist with, feel free to reach me anytime at **Michael.Murphy@cityoflexingtonmn.org**.

Sincerely, Mike Murphy Mayor of Lexington



Mike Murphy
For being elected Mayor of Lexington
As well as

New Councilmembers Barb Mahr / Jill Hunt

In being elected and taking the oath of office at the January 2nd Council meeting

# LEXINGTON MUNICIPAL LIQUOR STORE

For great deals on beer, wine, liquor, mixes and soda

9271 South Highway Drive Lexington, MN 55014 **763-786-0198** 

Gift Certificates available.

CLUB 50+ Discount ~ every Monday Wine Specials ~ every Wednesday Top Ten Beer Specials ~ every Thursday

We're thankful for your business and appreciate your lovalty!

The City Staff wishes' to say Thank You to
Gary Grote and Brandon Winge
for serving our community on the city council
the past several years.

We wish them the best in their future endeavors!



## SPRING AHEAD

### March 9th

Daylight Savings Begins
Remember to set your clocks
ahead 1 hour

Replace the batteries in your Smoke/CO2 detectors And Test them

## Are you a new resident of Lexington? Welcome! We're happy you're here!

Check out our city website, it offers multiple items to help you learn about where you live, and other items to help you navigate the area. Look under the *About Lexington* tab there you will find a local business directory, History of Lexington, New Resident guide, school information, transportation plus much more!

The *Government* tab gives you access to city ordinances, council, park board and planning & zoning agendas & minutes so you can stay informed.

Under the **Department** tab you will find city finance info, public works, the municipal liquor store and our fire department. Just to name a few.

We are here to help you settle in and enjoy our amazing city! You are always welcome to stop in at City Hall or give us a call!

#### LEXINGTON SMALL IN SIZE BIG ON PRIDE

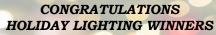
#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION VACANCY

The City of Lexington is currently seeking a candidate to fill a vacancy on its Planning and Zoning Commission. The Planning and Zoning holds public hearings, and makes recommendations to the City Council and the Board of Appeals and Adjustments where applicable. They review all applications for zoning amendments, conditional use permits, and variances. The Commission meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M.

Lexington residents interested in serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission shall submit a letter of interest and employment application to the City of Lexington, Attn: Planning and Zoning Commission, 9180 Lexington Ave., Lexington, MN 55014. Letters of interest should contain the applicant's name, address, telephone number and a brief statement listing their interest in seeking this position. A background check is required. A \$100 monthly stipend is provided for your time. Any questions, please contact Bill Petracek, City Administrator at 763-784-2792.



Office: 763.784.2501 Fax: 763.784.0082 Dispatch/911: 763.427.1212 www.clpdmn.com



1st place ~ 9251 Hamline Ave 2nd place ~ 3660 Centerwood Rd 3rd place ~ 9201 Ryan Place

THANK YOU TO ALL RESIDENTS
THAT SHOWEDTHE SPIRIT OF THE HOLIDAYS BY
DECORATING THEIR HOUSES AND YARDS THIS
YEAR, THE CITY BECOMES A LOT MORE
FESTIVE FOR ALL

The City has stakes available for residents to pick up. They can be used to mark curves along the roadway or other items that may be hit by the plow. Once the plow had gone by several times they will no longer be needed.

City Hall is open Monday ~ Friday

8:00am-4:30pm



Circle Pines City Hall Building Lower Level Back Entrance 200 Civic Heights Circle Circle Pines, MN 55014

Food Shelf Hours: Mondays / Thursdays 4 - 6 PM No appointment necessary

Serving South Eastern Anoka County Cities of Blaine, Circle Pines, Lexington, Lino Lakes & Centerville

# Do you own a Business or Rental Property in the City of Lexington?

City ordinance requires that all businesses & rental properties obtain a license to operate within the city limits.

Business licenses must be renewed yearly by June 30th.

Rental properties are licensed on a biennial basis They also require an inspection of the property be done with each renewal.

You can find the application forms on our website. www.lexingtonmn.gov

Scan the QR code to read the rules and ordinances

Business Licenses Chapter 6

Rental Licenses Chapter 15



Need to pay your utility bill? or looking for a business in town? Check out our city website.

#### www.lexingtonmn.org

There are many resources available to help you. Watch Council meetings, check out our calendar for upcoming events, research city ordinances, find transportation options, read community news and so much more.

Do you have a picture or video of something beautiful, fun or amazing in our city ? Email it to:

brenda.beaudet@cityoflexingtonmn.org

and it could end up on our Seen Around Town page.





#### **Fire Protection**

Keep your family and yourself safe. Visit our website to get tips on how to be protected from the dangers of fire in your home.

# Thank you to the Lexington Fire Relief

Once again, many thanks go out to the wonderful members of the Lexington Fire Relief Association for their donation of the prize money for the Holiday Lighting Contest.

The Lexington Lighting Contest is just one of the many beneficiaries of the community based generosity of this thoughtful, considerate and courageous group of volunteers.

## WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Parking restrictions are in effect and go until April 1st.

\*\*\*No Parking allowed on City streets between the hours of 2 AM and 6 AM without an emergency parking permit issued by staff at City Hall.

\*\*\*No Parking on any street after a snowfall with accumulations of 2 inches or more until all snow, ice and similar debris have been removed from the paved portion of the street.

\*\*\* It is illegal to remove snow from private property and place it on the road or sidewalk.

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\*\*\*Approximately 200 accidents occur each year involving snow moving equipment, so be extra cautious and always give the plow truck the benefit of the doubt. It weighs in excess of 50,000 lbs. Your car weighs about 3,000 lbs.

#### Cut back on Road Salt to Protect Our Infrastructure, Water, and Aquatic Wildlife!

The Twin Cities Metro applies 350,000 tons of road salt every year, but have you ever wondered where it goes when winter ends?

Stormwater and snowmelt carry dissolved road salt into lakes, streams, and groundwater when winter thaws out. Chloride, a major part of road salt compounds, is especially stubborn in water. Once it dissolves, there is no feasible method to remove chloride from water, and stormwater treatment solutions like stormwater ponds and rain gardens are ineffective at removing chloride. Instead, chloride gradually accumulates in our water bodies, harming fish and other aquatic life. The corrosive nature of road salt also contributes between \$350 million and \$1.2 billion in infrastructure costs each year to the Metro area alone.

### What can you do about it?

Here are some helpful tips **you** can use to make your driveways and sidewalks safer and better for the environment this winter:

#### Shovel!

Salt is never a substitute for shoveling. Shovel your snow and ice first so that salt is only used for melting ice stuck to the ground.

#### Scatter!

Did you know you only need a 12-oz. mug of salt to effectively de-ice a 20-foot driveway or 10 sidewalk squares? When applying salt, aim to leave 3" between grains.

#### Salt!

Traditional salt (sodium chloride) does not melt ice when the temperature is below 15 degrees Fahrenheit. Use a low-temperature alternative such as magnesium chloride or calcium chloride to melt ice at lower temperatures or use sand for traction.

#### Sweep!

Sweeping up leftover salt and reusing it later is a great way to save money and limit the amount of salt getting into nearby waterways

# SPRING RECYCLING DAY





Lexington's

Recycling/Clean Up Day is Planned for April 26th Time 8am ~ 12pm

Location : Memorial Park
9100 Hamline Ave
Watch for the Recycling/Clean-up information
on our website & FB in March

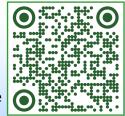
Santa Around Town was a huge success again this year! Santa visited every street in Lexington and the fire department collected 1,586 lbs. of Food & \$482.00 for the Food Shelf.

Thank You LFD for helping Santa visit our town!



# CITY OF LEXINGTON, MINNESOTA SUMMARY 2025 BUDGET

Scan the QR Code to be directed to the Budget on our Website
The purpose of this report is to provide a
summary of the 2025 budget information
concerning the City of Lexington to interested
citizens. This budget is published in accordance
with Minn. Stat. Sec. 471.6965. This budget is



not complete; the complete budget may be examined at: Lexington City Hall, 9180 Lexington Ave, Lexington, MN 55014 during regular business hours.

The City Council adopted this budget on December 5, 2024

	Budgeted Revenue	Budgeted Expenditures
General Fund	\$ 2,511,875	\$ 2,511,875
Debt Service	\$ 161,487	\$ 159,203
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 383,417	\$ 136,950
TIF 1-3	\$ 95,058	\$ 185,410
Enterprise Funds:		
Liquor Fund	\$ 3,810,990	\$ 3,810,990
Storm Water Fund	\$ 102,643	\$ 102,643
Water Fund	\$ 297,620	\$ 297,620
Sewer Fund	\$ 479,500	\$ 479,500

# Recycle SMART This Holiday Season

## Do not place these in your recycling cart; take them to a drop-off location.



### **Batteries and Battery Enclosed Electronics** (household and rechargeable)

Why: Batteries and electronics with non-removable batteries can explode and start fires if crushed or punctured. Every month garbage trucks and recycling facilities experience fires when batteries are improperly thrown away. Recycle: Batteries and some battery enclosed electronics, can be taken to the Anoka County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facility or select recycling centers and drop-off events. Go to AnokaCounty.us/HHW for location, hours and a list of accepted items. Go to AnokaCounty.us/RecyclingDirectory for other recycling locations.

## **Tanglers**

Are any item that get wrapped around sorting equipment at recycling facilities, such as plastic bags, holiday lights and electrical cords.

Why: These items become tangled on machinery and workers can spend hours each day removing them, causing costly processing delays.



## Plastic Bags, Stretch Film and Air Pillows

Reduce/Reuse: Avoid using plastic bags by bringing your own bag. Bring packaging materials to

Recycle: Clean, dry bags and stretchy film can be taken to large retailers, grocery stores and recycling drop-off centers. Puncture plastic air pillows and recycle it with other plastic film. Look for collection containers by store entrances. Check the on-line Anoka County Recycling Directory for locations.

**Trash:** Throw away non-stretchy cellophane, black, wet or food contaminated bags and remove plastic handles.



## **Holiday Lights and Cords**

Recycle: Many city halls and recycling centers collect these items for recycling. Go to AnokaCounty.us/RecyclingDirectory for locations.

## **Food**



Why: Food scraps can be 30-40% of what we throw away. Stop losing your hard-earned dollars on wasted food. **Reduce/Reuse**: There are many tools, tips and resources to help prevent food waste.

Go to AnokaCounty.us/Reduce and SaveTheFood.com.

**Compost:** Anoka County has many organics drop-off locations and several cities offer curbside organics collection. Sign up and get started today! Go to AnokaCounty.us/Organics to find out about what is accepted and how to sign up.

#### **Anoka County**

Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHW) 3230 101st Ave NE, Blaine, MN 55449

#### April - October

Wednesday 1 pm - 7 pm Friday Saturday 9 am - 3 pm

**November - March** 

Wednesday

AnokaCounty.us/HHW

There is no charge to use the facility. residents of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington counties.

Bring identification, such as a driver's license, as proof of residency.

#### Used Sharps

- Hypodermic needles
- Syringes Lancets
- Pen needles
- IV needles
- Used Epi-Pens®

Seal to prevent spills.



763-324-3400

Place sharps in rigid, puncture resistant container. Label container: "Do Not Recycle: Household Sharps."



Where: Recycling Technologies Davenport St NE Blaine, MN

Call for Hours Time:

763-559-5130

#### Materials Accepted:

- · Appliances (\$10 25 each)
- · Batteries: sealed lead acid, small household and rechargeable (\$0 - \$6.50/lb)
- Carpet: no rubber back (\$6/roll)
- Electronics
  - Printers, scanners and fax machines (\$10 35 each)
  - · Hard drive destruction (\$5 each)
  - •TVs and monitors: all sizes (\$18 85 each)
  - · Small and medium items: mice, keyboards, DVD and VCR players, stereos, speakers, record players, coffee makers, toasters, toaster ovens, keyboards, vacuums, phones, small appliances and video game consoles (\$0 - 5 each)
- Exercise equipment (\$25 40)
- Fluorescent bulbs (\$.50 .95 each)
- · Holiday lights (FREE)
- · Mattresses and box springs (\$20 25 each)
- · Paper shredding: 2 box maximum, no 3-ring binders or newspaper (FREE)
- Propane tanks (\$5 20)
- · Scrap metal: clean and all non-metal material removed (FREE)
- Tires (\$7 9 each)

Prices have a range since they vary by the size and type of material.















