

AGENDA
REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
May 12, 2026 - 7:00 P.M.
9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - A. Roll Call: Chairperson Bautch, Commissioners Koch, Murphy, and Thorson
2. CITIZENS FORUM
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS
4. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATION
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 - B. April 14, 2026 pg. 2-3
6. DISCUSSION ITEM:
 - A. Discuss Application for Vacant Planning & Zoning Seat – Daniel Johnson. **Under Separate Cover**
7. NOTE COUNCIL MINUTES:
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9. ADJOURNMENT

Permits Issued and Fees

From Date: 04/01/2026

To Date: 04/30/2026

Permit Type: City of Lexington Building Permit

All Cities And Townships: N

Permit#	Subtype	Issue Date	Address	Applicant	Type of Construction	Completed Value	Revenue	Plan Check	State Surcharge	Park Fees	SAC Units	SAC Fees	WAC Fees	Total Fees
LEX26-000059	Building	04/23/2026	8864 PASCAL AVE	Medallion Roofing DBA Time Proof USA	Roofing	\$15,400.00	\$145.00		\$1.00					\$146.00
	Building: 1					\$15,400.00	\$145.00		\$1.00					\$146.00
LEX26-000061	Mechanical	04/30/2026	8871 GRIGGS AVE	Deans Home Services	Residential Furnace /AC	\$5,130.00	\$40.00		\$1.00					\$41.00
	Mechanical: 1					\$5,130.00	\$40.00		\$1.00					\$41.00
LEX26-000055	Plumbing	04/17/2026	9052 JACKSON AVE	Northern Ben Franklin Plumbing		\$6,400.00	\$40.00		\$1.00					\$41.00
LEX26-000060	Plumbing	04/30/2026	9533 HAMLIN AVE	PAUL BUNYON PLUMBING		\$2,500.00	\$100.00		\$1.25					\$101.25
	Plumbing: 2					\$8,900.00	\$140.00		\$2.25					\$142.25
GRAND TOTAL:	4					\$29,430.00	\$325.00		\$4.25					\$329.25
YEAR RUNNING TOTAL:	59					\$350,340.00	\$0.00	\$1,574.90	\$128.98					\$7,840.81

MINUTES
REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
APRIL 14, 2026 - 7:00 P.M.
9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Chairperson Bautch called to order the Regular Planning Commission meeting April 14, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners Present: Michelle Koch, Gloria Murphy, and Ron Thorson. Also present: Councilmember Kim Devries; Bill Petracek, City Administrator.

2. CITIZENS FORUM

No citizens were present to discuss items not on the agenda

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Murphy made a motion to approve the agenda with the removal of Brandon Winge's name from the agenda. Koch seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

4. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATION

- A. Building Permits for March 2026

Some discussion on the permits issued in Parkview manufactured home park.

5. APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

- B. March 10, 2026

Koch made a motion to approve the March 10, 2026 Planning Commission Minutes as presented. Thorson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

6. DISCUSSION ITEM:

- A. No discussion items

No discussion

7. NOTE COUNCIL MINUTES:

- A. March 5, 2026

B. March 19, 2026

Discussion on the Airport Commission and the future maintenance of the airport runways and buildings.

8. PLANNING COMMISSION INPUT

Murphy asked about the open P&Z position. Petracek stated he hasn't had any inquiries. He sent a notice to all of the individuals that applied for the open City Council position, but he has had no response from any of the applicants. Discussion ensued.

Bautch stated there is a large green bag that has been sitting there for a long time at the curb on the property 8970 Arona Ave.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Thorson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Koch seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

**MINUTES
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 2, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Murphy

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

Mayor Murphy called to order the Regular Council meeting for April 2, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Devries, Hunt, Mahr, and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Dan Retka, SBM Fire Chief; Mark Kurth, Lexington Fire Relief Charitable Gambling Manager; Quad Press; Justin Willerbring at 9116 Lexington Ave.

3. CITIZENS FORUM

*Justin Willerbring
9164 Lexington Ave.
Lexington Mn.*

Justin stated that this is a small community and word has spread around that Lexington Fire Department is being dissolved and Fire Chief Mohler was fired. He stated that a Resolution was passed behind closed doors. He added that you guys are cowardly. He stated that his taxes better stay down; in White Bear Lake a vote has to be taken by a referendum. Discussion ensued.

Attorney Glaser explained the purpose of the closed session. Justin stated that you all better resign by November. Justin walked out of the room.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the agenda without changes or corrections. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

- A. Airport (Councilmember Devries) – *Councilmember Devries stated the next meeting is in June*
- B. Cable Commission (Councilmember Mahr) *Quarterly meetings – Councilmember Mahr stated that they have a strategic planning meeting in June.*
- C. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) – *Petracek stated city hall is closed tomorrow. He also added he would be gone from April 9th through the 14th.*

Choose a building block.

6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

No discussion on Letters and Communications.

7. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
Council Meeting – March 19, 2026
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:
Check #'s 53935 through 53976
Check #'s 16094 through 16106

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

8. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to approve a Premises Permit Application for Circle Pines -Lexington Lions Club to Utilize Cowboy's Saloon as their Charitable Gambling Site.

Mark Kurth, Charitable Gambling Manager, stated that the Lexington Fire Relief Association can no longer function without the Lexington Fire Department. With the Council's approval, they would begin the process of winding down the fire relief association by transitioning the gambling license to Lexington/Circle Pines Lions Club.

Kurth also explained that the past leadership of the Lions Club left it with financial hardship. He stated that startup costs are expensive for charitable gambling. He intends to ask the City Council for a donation from the equipment replacement fund (charitable gambling funds) to the Lion's club to help with these costs. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve a Premises Permit Application for Circle Pines - Lexington Lions Club to Utilize Cowboy's Saloon as their Charitable Gambling Site. Councilmember Mahr seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. First reading of Ordinance NO. 26-01 An Ordinance to Revise Chapter 5 – Lawful Gambling

Councilmember Mahr made a motion to adopt Ordinance No 26-01, as recommended by Mahr. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- C. Recommendation to Accept the Enacted Interim Fire Department Management and Operations Agreement with SBM Fire Department.

The city attorney explained the need to ratify the agreement with SBM Fire Department that was approved in closed session last meeting, in open session. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Mahr stated that the City Council gave this proper discussion and there are numerous reasons we acted on this contract. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to Accept the Enacted Interim Fire Department Management and Operations Agreement with SBM Fire Department. Mayor Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

Councilmember Hunt stated that nothing has been done with the cars being parked on front and backyard lawns. Discussion ensued.

10. CLOSED SESSION

This portion of the meeting is being closed for the purpose of discussing personnel matters involving the performance of employees. The meeting will be closed pursuant to the personnel data exception under the Minnesota Open Meeting Law, Minnesota Statutes § 13D.05, subdivision 2(a)(3). Confidentiality is required because the discussion will involve private personnel data related to employee performance, and the need to protect that data outweighs the purposes served by holding this portion of the meeting in public.

Mayor Murphy explained the need for the City Council to go into closed session.

Councilmember Mahr made a motion to go into closed session at 7:32 pm. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters involving the performance of employees. The meeting will be closed pursuant to the personnel data exception under the Minnesota Open Meeting Law, Minnesota Statutes § 13D.05, subdivision 2(a)(3). Confidentiality is required because the discussion will involve private personnel data related to employee performance, and the need to protect that data outweighs the purposes served by holding this portion of the meeting in public. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilmember Mahr made a motion to reconvene into open session at 8:26 pm. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Murphy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. Councilmember Mahr seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**MINUTES
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 16, 2026– 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Murphy

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

Mayor Murphy called to order the Regular Council meeting for April 16, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Devries, Hunt, and Winge. Excused absence: Mahr. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Jim Mork, Police Chief; Nolan Wahlburg, Police Sergeant; Mindy Feister, Heidi Haakinson, Justin Willenbring, Maria Nelson, Quad Press, Centennial High School Students, other members of the public.

3. CITIZENS FORUM

Mayor Murphy provided a statement regarding the City of Lexington transitioning to SBM Fire Department.

*Maria Nelson
County Rd. J*

Ms Nelson asked who is responsible for the oversight of training? Attorney Glaser stated that the fire chief, and then the city administrator over sees the fire chief regarding the hierarchy.

She also asked, "How do you see SBM providing better services?" Mayor Murphy discussed better response times coming out of station #4 in Circle Pines and better accessibility to equipment from other fire stations, etc.

Mayor Murphy stated that SBM Fire Department will be here on May 21st to discuss their proposal to provide fire services for Lexington residents. Discussion ensued.

*Justin Willenbring
9164 Lexington Ave.
Lexington, MN*

Willenbring stated that he heard people talking about him when he left the room last meeting and took what was said as disparaging toward a former firefighter of 7 years.

Mayor Murphy stated that you are spreading incorrect information and rumors about the fire department. You also accused us of being on the bankroll.

Willenbring stated he wants an answer to the closed meetings. Attorney Glaser explained the reason for closed meetings to protect employee's reputations during a disciplinary process.

Willenbring also stated that he applied for the Lexington Fire Department as a firefighter of 7 years and stated that the city administrator refused to hire him. Petracek asked Willenbring if he would like him to provide everyone in the Council Chambers a copy of his background check. Petracek explained that if everyone in the room saw your background check, they would understand exactly why you were not hired as a Lexington Firefighter. Petracek added that he could go into his office right now and get Willenbring's background check and make copies for everyone if he would like.

Willenbring stated the city administrator threatened him. Mayor Murphy disagreed.

*Julie (did not provide last name)
Shoreview, MN.*

What is going to happen with the money from charitable gambling donations. Mayor Murphy stated at this time the City Council has not had any formal discussions about these funds. Petracek stated that at this point the recommendation would be to utilize the funds for the capital equipment buy-in to SBM Fire Department. Discussion ensued.

*Heidi Fust
9274 Griggs Ave.
Lexington, MN.*

Ms. Fust thanked the City Council for taking action and being responsible with taxpayers money. Having an interim fire department is great and is grateful for the new fire department.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the agenda without changes or corrections. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

5. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Park Board Minutes: April 6, 2026

No discussion on Letters and Communications.

6. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes: **April 2, 2026**
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:
 - Check #'s 53977 through 54024
 - Check #'s 16113 through 16129
- C. Financial Reports
 - Cash Balances
 - Fund Summary – Budget to Actual

Councilmember Winge made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

7. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. No Action Items

8. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

No input from the Mayor or City Council

9. ADMINISTRATOR INPUT

Petracek provided an update on police union negotiations. He stated that we settled a contract with the sergeant's union, but they would be going to arbitration for the patrol and captain's unions.

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The city attorney and city administrator stated there was no need for a closed session this evening.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Devries made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

****NO WORKSHOP****