

**MINUTES
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 18, 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 June 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Devries, Hunt, Mahr, and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Steve Winter, City Engineer; Eleanor Brandt, MSA Consultants; Quad Press; Peter Lindstrom, Metropolitan Council; Derek Lind, Ramsey, MN.

3. CITIZENS FORUM

Derek Lind, Anoka County Election Integrity, stated that he believes that election integrity begins at the local level. Lind discussed poll pads and how other cities in Anoka County are handling the usage of these during the election process. Discussion ensued.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

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

5. PETER LINDSTROM, METROPOLITAN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE, TO PROVIDE UPDATES TO THE COUNCIL.

Peter Lindstrom, Met Council Representative, provided an overview of the Metropolitan Council and resources that are available to the City of Lexington. Discussion ensued.

6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Metropolitan Council Preliminary Population & Household Estimate
B. Park Board Meeting Minutes – June 1, 2026
C. Planning Commission Minutes – June 9, 2026

No discussion on Letters and Communications.

7. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes: June 4, 2026
B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:
Check #'s 54188 through 54241
Check #'s 16178 through 16192

C. Financial Reports

- Cash Balances
- Fund Summary – Budget to Actual

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

8. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Park Board Recommendation to Approve Plans and Specifications for the Memorial Park Pickle Ball Court.

Councilmember Mahr made a motion to Approve Plans and Specifications for the Memorial Park Pickle Ball Court. Mayor Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Council discussed the cancellation of the July 2nd Council meeting. Petracek mentioned two lease agreements that would need to be approved for the use of our fire station – Circle Pines/Lexington Lions Club and the 6th Congressional District. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to add Item 8 (F) to discuss the Lexington Fire Station lease agreement. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. Recommendation to Approve an Amendment to the Centennial Lakes Little League Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Councilmember Devries made a motion to Approve an Amendment to the Centennial Lakes Little League Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Mayor Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Councilmember Mahr abstained from the vote.

- C. Request for an increase in pay for Election Judges for 2026 Election

Councilmember Mahr made a motion to increase pay for Election Judges for 2026 Election. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- D. Recommendation to approve Business License Renewals

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve Business License Renewals. Councilmember Mahr seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- E. Recommendation to Approve Liquor License Renewals

- Boulevard Bar & Grill
- Carbone's Pizza
- Cowboy's Saloon (Conditions signed)
- Curious Crow

- El Loro Mexican Restaurant
- Pancho's Taqueria & Café (Liquor & 3.2 License)

Councilmember Devries made a motion to Approve Liquor License Renewals: Boulevard Bar & Grill, Carbone's Pizza, Cowboy's Saloon (Conditions signed), Curious Crow, El Loro Mexican Restaurant, Pancho's Taqueria & Café (Liquor & 3.2 License) with correction on Pancho's fees. Councilmember Mahr seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

F. Discuss Lexington Fire Station Lease Agreements.

The City Council discussed proposed lease agreements for the temporary usage of the fire station. Petracek stated that proposals are being reviewed and considered from Circle Pines/Lexington Lions Club to use office space for charitable gambling and the 6th Congressional District to utilize the fire station during the 2026 election process. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Devries made a motion authorizing the City Administrator to enter into standard lease agreements to rent the former fire station to Congressional District 6 and Circle-Lex Lions Club, whereby the agreements will be ratified by the City Council at their next regular meeting. Councilmember Mahr seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

Councilmember Mahr stated that the budget was approved at the cable commission meeting.

Councilmember Devries advised that there will be a lot of air traffic at the Blaine Airport due to the Special Olympics.

10. ADMINISTRATOR INPUT

Petracek discussed police chief interviews. He stated that an offer has been made to a candidate, but it won't be made public until an employment agreement has been finalized.

11. CLOSED SESSION

This portion of the meeting is closed pursuant Minn. Stat. Section 13D.03, and is permitted for Labor Negotiation Strategy and discussion regarding the City of Lexington 2026-2027 Management and Non-Union compensation.

Mayor Murphy explained the need to go into closed session.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to go into closed session at 7:59 p.m. pursuant Minn. Stat. Section 13D.03, and is permitted for Labor Negotiation Strategy and

discussion regarding the City of Lexington 2026-2027 Management and Non-Union compensation. Councilmember Mahr seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilmember Murphy made a motion to reconvene in open session at 8:36 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

A. Recommendation to Approve the 2026-27 Management and Non-Union wages.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to Approve the 2026-27 Management and Non-Union wages with an amendment to the recommendation - Finance Director Galiov receiving a 12% wage adjustment and City Administrator Petracek receiving a 3% adjustment. Mayor Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Devries made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. Councilmember Mahr seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.