**Unapproved minutes**

**CITY OF LEXINGTON**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 3, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.**

**9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

1. **Call to Order:** – Mayor Kurth
   1. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Harris, Hughes and Payment

***Mayor Kurth called to order the Regular City Council meeting for November 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember’s present: Devries, Harris, Hughes, and Payment. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Collette Jurek, Xcel Energy; Reporter – Quad Press; Brad Gavin, Mike Murphy.***

1. **Citizens Forum**

***No citizens were present to address the city council***

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS**

***A motion was made by Councilmember Devries to approve the agenda as typewritten. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes. Motion carried 5-0.***

1. **INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**
   1. Airport (Councilmember Harris) – ***Councilmember Harris stated her first meeting will be November 9th***
   2. Cable Commission (Councilmember Payment) – ***Councilmember Payment reported that the High Definition upgrades to North Metro TV are moving along and almost completed. Next meeting is November 16th.***

* 1. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) – ***Petracek provided an update on the next Police Governing Board meeting and the Special Council meeting to canvas election results on November 14th. He also provided update on police union negotiations, Parkview Settlement Conference on December12th, and the contracted street sweeping process. Discussion ensued.***

***He explained to the Council that the offer to purchase the Lovell Building from a developer has hit a road block that involves the tax credits the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) provides to developers to build affordable senior housing. He explained that if these tax credits calculations are changed by the MHFA Board, the sale of the Lovell Building for affordable senior housing is in jeopardy. Petracek stated that the developer and surrounding communities – Spring Lake Park - are asking that the City of Lexington send a letter to MHFA opposing these changes that are coming regarding the issuance of tax credits for affordable senior housing. Petracek provided a copy of the draft letter to the Council for discussion. Discussion ensued.***

***A motion was made by Councilmember Devries to authorize Mayor Kurth to sign the letter and send copies to Officials at MHFA opposing the changes to the Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP). The motion was seconded by Councilmember Harris. Motion carried 5-0.***

1. **LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**
   1. Special Council meeting reminder – Canvass Election Results 11/14/16
   2. Anoka County Parks & Community Services – November newsletter
   3. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Report – 10/20 though 10/26/16
   4. Planning & Zoning meeting minutes – October 18, 2016
   5. Public Notice – Voting Equipment Public Accuracy Test 10/27/16
   6. DRAFT - 2017 meeting dates and calendar for review

***No discussion on Letters and Communications***

1. **Consent ITEMS:**
   1. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:

Council Meeting – October 20, 2016

* 1. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:

Check #’s 13457 through 13457

Check #’s 41296 through 41351

Check #’s 11127 through 11142

***A motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Harris. Motion carried 5-0.***

1. **Action ItemS:**
   1. Recommendation to approve Denial of Liability Coverage Waiver.

***A motion was made by Councilmember Payment to approve the Denial of Liability Coverage Waiver. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Devries. Motion carried 5-0.***

* 1. Discuss Franchise Fee Agreements
* Connexus Energy
* Xcel Energy
* CenterPoint Gas

***Attorney Glaser provided an overview of the Franchise Fee Analysis that was provided in the packet. Discussion ensued.***

***Collette Jurek, Xcel Energy, was present to provide the Council with her insight into the proposed franchise fees. Discussion ensued.***

***A motion was made by Councilmember Devries to approve Option #4 of Xcel Energy Franchise Fee Estimate Schedule. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Harris. Motion carried 5-0.***

1. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT**

***Mayor Kurth asked the citizens of Lexington to be patient with the enforcement of the new driveway regulations. Discussion ensued.***

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

***A motion was made by Councilmember Devries to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Harris. Motion carried 5-0.***