

**MINUTES  
CITY OF LEXINGTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 6, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.  
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. CALL TO ORDER:** – Mayor Murphy

- A. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Harris, Winge and Benson

*Mayor Murphy called to order the Regular City Council meeting for October 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Benson, Devries, Harris, and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Erik Edwards, Fire Chief.*

**3. CITIZENS FORUM**

*No citizens were present to discuss items not on the agenda.*

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

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the amended agenda as typewritten. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

**5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

- A. Airport (Councilmember Devries) – *Devries stated the meeting was moved from October to November.*
- B. Cable Commission (Councilmember Winge) *Quarterly meetings – Winge stated that newscaster Rusty Ray is leaving and Eric Nelson will start October 4th. He added that closed captioning is in place and franchise fees are steadily declining and PEG fees are going up.*
- C. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) – *Petracek did not have an update to provide.*

**6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Reports – 9-21 through 9-27, 2022
- B. City Report – August 2022
- C. North Metro TV – August 2022 Update
- D. Rice Creek Watershed District Appointment

- E. Council Workshop meeting Synopsis
- F. Planning & Zoning meeting minutes- September 13, 2022

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

**7. CONSENT ITEMS:**

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:  
Council Meeting – September 15, 2022
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:  
Check #'s 49430 through 49483  
Check #'s 14473 through 14485  
VOID # 14461
- C. Recommendation to approve a six (6) month extension for letter of credit  
for Landings of Lexington

***Councilmember Harris asked about the item C regarding the 6 month extension for the letter of credit with Landings of Lexington. Petracek explained that this is part of the development agreement that protects the City. He added that Landings of Lexington still has to provide us with a final set of plans for the project and they have not done that yet, and this extension will insure that we receive those plans. The current letter of credit expired in October.***

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

**8. ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. Recommendation to approve spending up to \$15000.00 at State Fire Chief's  
Convention for various equipment

***Fire Chief Edwards explained that the fire department is well supplied, but he's asking to have the flexibility to purchase demo equipment at the State Fire Chief's convention. He said if they can get a good price, he would replace some hose nozzles, and maybe a chainsaw. Petracek stated this money would come out of the equipment replacement fund.***

***Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve spending up to \$15000.00 at State Fire Chief's Convention for various equipment. Councilmember Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

- B. Recommendation to approve Lexington Fire Department request to hire as  
Fire Fighters:
  - Eric Quigley
  - Zachary O'Connell

***Councilmember Devries made a motion Lexington Fire Department request to hire Fire Fighters Eric Quigley and Zachary O’Connell. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

- C. Recommendation to approve Final Payment Estimate # 2 for 2022 North Highway Drive Improvement Project in the amount of \$2595.90

***Councilmember Winge made a motion to approve Final Payment Estimate # 2 for 2022 North Highway Drive Improvement Project in the amount of \$2595.90. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

- D. Recommendation to approve Business License renewal

***Councilmember Winge made a motion to approve Business License renewal. Councilmember Benson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

- E. Recommendation to approve Anoka County Contract # C0009415 – 2023 Agreement for Residential Recycling Program

***Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve Anoka County Contract # C0009415 – 2023 Agreement for Residential Recycling Program. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

## **9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT**

***No input from Mayor Murphy or City Council***

## **10. CLOSED SESSION**

This portion of the meeting is closed pursuant Minn. Stat. Section 13D.05, subd. 3(b), and is permitted by the attorney-client privilege to discuss the legal aspects surrounding personnel matters under investigation.

***Attorney Glaser explained the need to go into closed session.***

***Councilmember Winge made a motion to go into closed session at 7:11 p.m. pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 13D.05, subd. 3(b), and is permitted by the attorney-client privilege to discuss the legal aspects surrounding personnel matters under investigation. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

This portion of the meeting is closed pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), and is permitted by the attorney-client privilege to discuss the pending litigation versus the City of Blaine regarding the interconnected water and sewer systems.

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to convene into second closed session at 7:21 p.m. pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), and is permitted by the attorney-client privilege to discuss the pending litigation versus the City of Blaine regarding the interconnected water and sewer systems. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

*Councilmember Devries made a motion to reconvene into open session at 8:19 p.m. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0*

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

*Councilmember Devries made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

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