



City of Lexington Minnesota



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May 21st
1950 - 2022
72nd Year
Anniversary

City Offices will be closed
in observance of the following
Holidays

Good Friday
April 15th

Memorial Day
May 30th

The City of Lexington will celebrate 72 years as a town on May 21st of this year. We started out with a population of 569 residents when we incorporated as a village with a vote of 96 to 61. Our 1st mayor was Cyrus Palmquist. We have had a total of 17 Mayors with our current being Mike Murphy. Later that same year on November 11th the Lexington Fire Department was formally organized. They became officially recognized by the State as a department in 1954. They purchased their 1st truck (1946 Ford) from a garage in Princeton. Over these past 72 years Lexington has continued to grow and develop as a community, We are thankful to all the residents and businesses that call Lexington home, and look forward to many more years for our GREAT CITY!



SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

April 23rd
9100 Hamline Ave
MEMORIAL PARK

Examples of Acceptable Items (Fee for some items)	These items WILL NOT be accepted
Appliances Carpet & Padding Electronics Laptop, CPU, VCR, DVD, Printer, Fax, Stereo, TV Fluorescent Bulbs Mattresses/Boxsprings Small Engine Equipment Tires / General Debris (Pickup or Trailer load) Yard Waste (branches must be cut to 4'~ leaves unbagged on site)	HAZARDOUS WASTE Cleaning Products Paint, Varnish, Driveway Sealer, Anti-Freeze, Oil, Gas, Pesticides, Propane Tanks, Sharps Other household items that are corrosive, flammable or poisonous CURBSIDE RECYCLING



The City of Lexington has reached **STEP 3** in our GreenStep Program. You can view everything we have completed thus far on our page at:
www.greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/city-detail/12210



Council Meetings

1st & 3rd Thursday
of each month
7:00pm

Stay informed of what is happening within our city. Residents are encouraged to attend. You can also watch them on cable channel 16 where they are broadcast live.



Water Service Rates, effective 1/1/2022

The following residential rates will be applied for quarterly water service (base plus usage):

	0-15,000 gal	15,001-30,000 gal	30,001-40,000 gal	40,000+ gal
Base	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52
Usage	\$ 3.01	\$ 3.72	\$ 4.97	\$ 6.89

The following commercial rates will be applied for quarterly water service (base plus usage):

	0-15,000 gal	15,001-30,000 gal	30,001-40,000 gal	40,000+ gal
Base	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52
Usage	\$ 3.01	\$ 3.72	\$ 4.97	\$ 6.89

Wastewater Service Rates, effective 1/1/2022

The following rates will be applied for quarterly wastewater service:

Metered water service (base plus usage)

Base	\$ 13.02
Usage	\$ 3.53 for each increment of 1 to 1,000 gallons of water usage per quarter

Non-metered water service	\$ 59.59 per unit
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Qualifying residential senior	\$ 35.89
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Qualifying residential senior is defined as a resident who is 62 years of age or older. Proof of age will be required by 1 (one) member of household and application for discount must be completed and filed at City Hall.

Storm Sewer Service Rates, effective 1/1/2022

The following rates will be applied for quarterly storm Sewer service:

Residential	\$ 10.26
Multifamily Per Residential Unit	\$ 10.26
Commercial	\$ 10.26

Additional Utility Fees, effective 1/1/2022

The following rates will be applied for quarterly service:

MN Water Test Fee	\$ 2.43
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PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON THE 6th, DAY OF JANUARY, 2022

The City of Lexington is currently seeking a candidate to fill a vacancy on its **Planning Commission**. The Commission meets each month at 7:00 P.M. on the second Tuesday of every month. LEXINGTON residents interested in serving on the Planning Commission are encouraged to submit a letter of application to the

Lexington Planning Commission

9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN 55014

Letters of application should contain the applicant's name, address, telephone number and a brief statement listing their interest in seeking this position. **Any questions, please contact Bill Petracek at Lexington City Hall (763) 784-2792**

Snapshot of City Ordinances

CHAPTER 10 SECTION 10.32. GARAGE OR RUMMAGE SALES REGULATIONS.

Subd. 1. Definitions.

A. "Garage or Rummage Sales" - Any display and sale of personal property conducted on residential premises by the occupant. Estate sales conducted at a decedent's residence are not included in the definition of garage or rummage sales.

Subd. 2. Restrictions.

A. None of the items offered for sale have been obtained for resale or received on consignment for sale.

B. Any garage or rummage sale shall be conducted solely within the boundaries of the property owned by the occupant who is conducting the sale.

C. There shall be no more than four garage or rummage sales conducted at any one residence during any period of twelve calendar months.

D. No garage or rummage sale shall be conducted during any part of more than three consecutive days.

E. No garage or rummage sale may be conducted before 8:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m.

Subd. 3. Penalty. Any person violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

CHAPTER 11 SECTION 11.60. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Subd. 22. Parking

Off-street parking spaces shall not be permitted within any front yard or side yard setback

All Ordinances can be viewed at: www.ci.lexington.mn.us/page/govt_code_book



Home Fires Tips & Facts

In the event of a home fire you have as little as **2 minutes** to get out safely. Prepare an escape plan & practice it with your family. visit: www.NFPA.org for help.

A working smoke detector can reduce the chance of death by fire by **50%**. Make sure to test them & change batteries regularly.

Cooking is the leading cause of home fires. On average **45%** of all home fires started in the kitchen.

Safety Facts About Grease Fires

First and foremost, water & grease **DON'T** Mix!

NEVER POUR WATER ON A GREASE FIRE!

Put a lid on it. If a pan catches fire, slide a lid over the pan and turn off the stove burner. Leave the lid on until it is completely cool.

Use a fire extinguisher, or when in doubt, get out & call for help.

If a fire starts in a microwave or the oven, keep the door shut. Turn off the heat. If the flames do not go out immediately, get out and call for help.

STOP, DROP & ROLL if your clothes catch fire, smother them on the floor before getting out of the house.



How To Use A Fire Extinguisher

P Pull the pin at the top of the extinguisher.

A Aim the nozzle at the base of the fire, NOT at the flames.

S Squeeze the handle to release the extinguishing agent.

S Sweep the spray back & forth across the fire.

Fire Extinguisher 101

A "Class A" is used for wood & paper fires.

B "Class B" is used for grease & oil fires.

C "Class C" is used for electrical fires.

ABC "Class ABC" is a multipurpose extinguisher. It is recommended to have an "ABC" dry chemical extinguisher

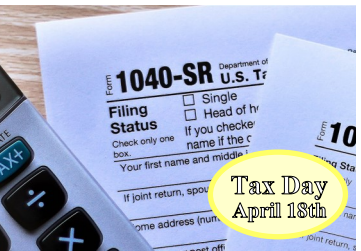
Minimize Other Fire Risks

Institute a **NO SMOKING** policy in your home.

Check all cords & replace any that are frayed or have bare wires.

Switch to flameless candles.

Keep matches & lighters high & out of reach of children in a locked cabinet.



With the weather becoming spring like and with more walks and romps to the park and around the neighborhood. Remember, by Ordinance, it is required to keep pets leashed and clean up after them.



LEXINGTON MUNICIPAL LIQUOR STORE
 For great deals on beer, wine, liquor & mixes
 9271 South Highway Drive
 763-786-0198



**Hydrant Flushing
 May 9th**

Spring is here, and along with that comes **Hydrant Flushing**. We flush water lines through the use of fire hydrants, which is an important preventive maintenance activity. Although it may appear to waste water, the process is part of a routine maintenance program necessary to maintain the integrity of the water system and allowing us to ensure the hydrants are in proper working order. As a result of the line flushing process, residents in the immediate vicinity of the work may experience temporary discoloration of their water. This discoloration consists primarily of harmless silt and air and does not affect the safety of

the water. If you experience discoloration in your water after crews have been flushing in your neighborhood, clear the pipes in your home by running all **cold** water faucets for a few minutes. The same philosophy of water line and hydrant preventive maintenance is one that you should use in your own home to ensure the quality of water inside your home. Your home's water heater should be drained and flushed on a regular basis to keep it working effectively and efficiently.

GRASS CLIPPINGS AND STORM DRAINS DON'T MIX

With summer time weather comes the mowing season. It is important to remember not to blow grass clippings into the street. Grass clippings in the street ultimately end up in a storm drain were they can build up and cause drainage issues and localized flooding. It is also a violation of Municipal Code to deposit grass clippings and other yard waste into the street. Keep grass clippings in the lawn and out of the street.

Did you know...

• Grass clipping and other yard waste blown and left in the street are a flooding and water quality concern?

Localized Flooding:

• Grass clipping and other yard waste blown in the street can cause localized flooding by clogging curb inlets and pipes.

Water Quality:

• Grass clipping and other yard waste in the streets can cause high levels of nutrients in local creeks and streams, which can result in algae blooms.

• Keeping grass clippings on your yard can save money on fertilizer by returning nutrients back into the soil and save money on watering by building organic matter in your soil.

Some solutions are...

- If your mower shoots grass clippings out of the side, mow a couple of passes with your mower blowing towards your yard and not the street before mowing the rest of your yard.
- If you bag grass with your mower make sure you keep the clippings out of the street, curb inlet, ditch, or creek.
- If you mulch mow, your mower will not blow grass out the side and you shouldn't have to worry about grass blowing into the street.



FOR YOUR CONVIENIENCE
 There is a drive up drop box located in the parking lot on the west side of City Hall. Enter from Woodland Road and it will be on your drivers side.

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

Be a part of the largest service organization in the WORLD...
 People who care about the community, schools, kids, people in need. People who are willing to give a few hours in a month to help make a difference are needed and wanted... Put your family, your church and your job first and then give us some time...when you can.



CIRCLE PINES LEXINGTON LIONS
 Contact:
 Lion Ginny Hestekind
 Phone: (763) 786-3474
 Email: vhestekind@comcast.net

Do you have a spring or summer building project?
 Be aware that you will need a building permit.

Permits can be filled out online on the city's website.
 Look under :
 Government / Permits, Licenses & Forms
 call or stop in and speak to Scott or Brenda if you need assistance or have any questions.
 (763) 784-2792
 We are here to help!

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.

It's time to get back to the basics of good recycling.

The advent of single stream or putting all your recycling in a cart led many people to recycle more than they ever had before. But having a big cart to throw everything into has led to higher contamination in the recycling. Let's get back to basics and clean up our recycling habits.

The fact is that some recycling actions make a bigger impact than others. Please remember these three basic rules the next time you recycle:

1. Recycle all empty plastic bottles, cans, paper cartons, clean paper and cardboard boxes.
2. Remove food debris, liquid, plastic film and greasy or hazardous items from your recycling.
3. Place recyclables directly in your cart. Do not bag them. (Paper bags are preferred if you need to use bags.) Return plastic bags to a local grocer or retailer.

You'd be amazed by how big of an impact just following these simple rules can have! There are increasing amounts of non-recyclables being sent to recycling sorting facilities, and every single one of them must be removed by hand or mechanically sorted, or they end up contaminating valuable recyclables. Non-recyclable items placed in recycling containers end up in the garbage, which increases the cost of the recycling process. The right thing to do is put the correct recyclables in the containers and don't hope or wish that the haulers can magically recycle them. Avoid "wish-cycling". **When in doubt, throw it out.**

Place these items loose in your recycling cart. No plastic bags.

Glass (empty, labels OK): food and beverage bottles and jars.

Metal (empty, labels OK): food cans, beverage cans.

Plastic cups and containers (empty, rinse, lids on): yogurt, pudding and fruit cups, clear disposable cups (no straws), margarine, cottage cheese and similar containers, clear produce, deli and take out containers.

Plastic bottles and jugs (empty, rinse, caps on): water, soda and juice bottles, milk and juice jugs, ketchup and salad dressing bottles, dish soap bottles and detergent jugs, shampoo, soap and lotion bottles.

Paper (clean, staples OK): mail, office and school papers, magazines and catalogs, newspapers and inserts, phone books.

Boxes (flatten): cardboard, cereal, cracker and pasta boxes, shoe, gift and electronics boxes, toothpaste and other toiletry boxes, tissue boxes.

Cartons (empty, rinse): milk cartons, juice cartons, juice boxes, soup, broth and wine cartons.

Leave these out, since they...

Get tangled in or damage sorting equipment: plastic bags, ropes, hoses, shredded paper, chains, scrap metal, and other bulky items.

Harm workers: medical sharps, diapers, batteries, hazardous products.

Are not recyclable: foil drink pouches, chip bags, candy wrappers, dishes, vases, mirrors, plastic straws and utensils, refrigerator and freezer boxes, Styrofoam, pizza boxes, black food trays and egg cartons.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY

Address

3230 101st Avenue NE
Blaine, MN 55449

Phone: 763-324-3400

Hours

April - October

Wednesday
1 - 7 p.m.

Thursday, Friday & Saturday

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Closed Independence Day

November - March

Wednesday
1 - 7 p.m.

Saturday

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Closed Thanksgiving,
Christmas Eve,
Christmas & New Year's Day**

**For More
information check
out the website at:**

www.anokacounty.us/369/Household-Hazardous-Waste-Facility



Anoka County Compost Site Hours

Bunker Hills 13285 Hanson Blvd NW Coon Rapids / Rice Creek 7701 Main Street Lino Lakes

Hours of Operation:

April - November, weather permitting

Monday - Friday: 10 am - 7 pm

Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm

Sunday: Noon - 5 pm

December - March

Saturday: 9 am - 1 pm

Hours of Operation:

April - November, weather permitting

Monday: closed

Tuesday: 10 am - 7 pm*

Wednesday: closed

Thursday: 10 am - 7 pm*

Friday: closed

Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm*

Sunday: Noon - 5 pm*

December - March

Saturday: Noon - 1 pm

***Sunset Closing Hours**

In October and November, sunset occurs before 7 pm. The Lino Lakes compost site has limited lighting. For the safety of our workers and customers we cannot allow access to the site after sunset. Please allow at least 15 minutes before closing time to pay for and unload your yard waste.

www.anokacounty.us/359/Compost-Sites

Dates Closed

Closed Easter Sunday, Memorial Day (observed), Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving. Sites will also close in the event of severe weather for the safety of staff and users.