

**CITY OF LEXINGTON  
WORKSHOP MINUTES  
Thursday, July 20, 2022  
Immediately following Council meeting  
City Hall**

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Murphy
2. **Roll Call:** Benson -- DeVries – Harris – Winge

*Mayor Murphy called to order the workshop for July 20, 2022 at 7:57 p.m. Councilmembers present: Benson, Devries, Harris, and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director.*

**3. Discussion Items:**

A. Discuss City Regulation of Edible Cannabinoids

*Attorney Glaser asked members of the Council if they did or did not want cannabis infused drinks and gummies sold in Lexington. He added that the Council has the ability to decide whether businesses can sell it or whether it should be banned through a moratorium until better legislation exists. Discussion ensued.*

*Harris asked if this can be smoked or what form of THC does it come in. Glaser stated at this time it is only drinks or edibles. Mayor Murphy asked if it is being taxed. Glaser stated at this time it is not being taxed at the State level, nor can municipalities tax it. Discussion ensued.*

*Petracek stated that our municipal liquor store cannot sell it according to the League of Minnesota Cities opinion. Glaser stated that that is being challenged by a consortium of city attorney's. Discussion ensued.*

*Glaser stated that is best to incorporate tight regulations, initially, which would allow the Council to loosen the regulations in the future, or have an outright moratorium on the products. Discussion ensued.*

*The Council discussed various forms of regulations on the new cannabinoid legislation and who in Lexington would be allowed to sell it. They discussed the licensing of the sale of cannabinoids, and the fees for licensing.*

*The consensus of the Council was to have Attorney Glaser develop an ordinance regulating cannabinoid edibles and drinks based of the discussion and provide a draft document at a future Council meeting/workshop.*

**4. Staff Input**

*No Staff Input*

**5. Council Input**

*No Council input*

**6. Adjourn**

*Councilmember Winge made a motion to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*