



April ~ June 2023



**LEXINGTON
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May 21st
1950 ~ 2023
**73 Year
Anniversary**

The City of Lexington will celebrate 73 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. As of the 2020 census we have grown to 2,460 residents. Our 1st mayor was Cyrus Palmquist. We have had a total of 18 Mayors with our current being Gary Grote.

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 73 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!



Northway Shopping Center



Lexington Fire Department



Gordons Corner



SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

April 15th ~ 8am-Noon
9100 Hamline Ave
MEMORIAL PARK

Examples of
Acceptable Items
(Fee for some items)

Appliances
Carpet & Padding
Electronics
Laptop, CPU, VCR,
DVD, Printer, Fax,
Stereo, TV
Fluorescent Bulbs
Mattresses/Boxsprings
Small Engine
Equipment,
Oil, Anti-Freeze,
Tires / General Debris
(Pickup or Trailer load)
Yard Waste (branches
must be cut to 4'~ leaves
unbagged on site)

These items
WILL NOT
be accepted

HAZARDOUS WASTE
Cleaning Products
Paint, Varnish,
Driveway Sealer,
Gas, Pesticides,
Propane Tanks,
Sharps
Other household
items that are
corrosive, flammable
or poisonous
CURBSIDE
RECYCLING



**City Offices will be closed in
observance of
the following Holidays**

Good Friday
April 7th

Memorial Day
May 29th

**Need to pay your utility bill?
or looking for a business in town?
Check out our city website.**

www.ci.lexington.mn.us

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.

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.

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**

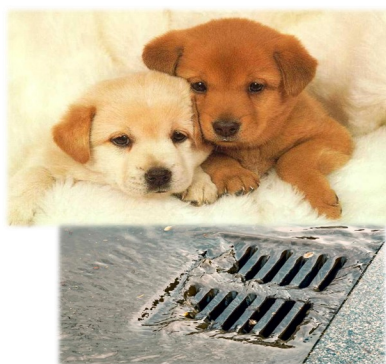


Council Meetings

**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.



It might not seem like a stormwater problem, but animal waste is one of the many seemingly small sources of pollution that can add up to big problems for water quality, and even human health. Animal waste contains two main types of pollutants that harm local waters: nutrients and pathogens. When this waste ends up in water bodies, it decomposes, releasing nutrients that cause excessive growth of algae and weeds. This makes the water murky, green, smelly, and even unusable for swimming, boating, or fishing. The pathogens, disease causing bacteria and viruses, can also make local waters un-swimmable and unfishable, and have caused severe illness in humans. As you can see, animal waste doesn't simply decompose. So, the easiest way to avoid these problems is to clean up after your pet each and every time, and dispose of the waste properly!



Contact:
Karen ~ 612-272-3386
kgregory244@gmail.com

Water Service Rates, effective 1/1/2023

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 1/1/2023

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 consumed summer usage based on October through March average water usage
Non-metered water service	
\$59.59 per unit	
Qualifying residential senior	
\$35.89	
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.	

Stormwater Service Rates, effective 1/1/2023

The following rates will be applied for quarterly stormwater service:

For each Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) \$20.81

Additional Utility Fees, effective 1/1/2023

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 5th, DAY OF JANUARY, 2023.**

REMEMBER

If someone stops by your house selling anything, they must have a Peddlers/Solicitors License issued by The City of Lexington. Make sure to ask to see their license. If they do not have one they are not allowed to sell in our city.

Hydrant Flushing May 15th

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.



City of Lexington Ordinance
Chapter 10 sect 10.40 subd 2

Recreational fires can only burn between 8:00 am and 2:00 am and no more than one recreational fire is allowed on any property at one time.

Recreational Fire Site an area of no more than a three (3) foot diameter circle (measured from the inside of the fire ring or border); completely surrounded by non-combustible and non-smoke or odor producing material, either of natural rock, cement, brick, tile or blocks or ferrous metal only and which area is depressed below ground, on the ground, or on a raised bed. Included are permanent outdoor wood burning fireplaces.

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!

LEXINGTON MUNICIPAL LIQUOR STORE

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

Anoka County
Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHW)
3230 101st Ave NE Blaine, MN 55449

April ~ October

Wednesday 1 pm-7 pm
Thursday 9 am-3 pm
Friday 9 am-3 pm
Saturday 9 am-3 pm

November ~ March

Wednesday 1 pm-7 pm
Saturday 9 am-3 pm

Closed Holidays

There is no charge to use the facility
Household hazardous waste is accepted from residents of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott & Washington counties

Bring identification, such as a Drivers License, as proof of residency

AnokaCounty.us/HHW

763-324-3400

NEW ! Battery Recycling

Batteries and most electronic waste are considered hazardous. They can contain toxic or corrosive materials. When crushed, batteries can explode and cause fires.

Do

- Dispose of batteries at the HHW facility or other designated collection site.
- When possible, remove batteries from devices
- Store damaged batteries in a clear plastic bag

Do Not

- Dispose of used batteries in trash or recycling containers
- Crush or puncture batteries
- Store old batteries close to flammable material, metal or other batteries

Single Use Batteries:



Rechargeable Batteries:



Automotive batteries are not accepted.

What to Bring to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility at No Charge

The Anoka County Household Hazardous Waste Facility accepts waste from residents at no charge that are labeled:

- Caution
- Warning
- Danger
- Poison
- Combustible
- Corrosive
- Flammable
- Inflammable
- Toxic



The facility also accepts at no charge medical sharps, fluorescent bulbs and propane tanks.

Home Improvement Products

- Paint, varnish and stain
- Paint stripper, paint thinner, turpentine
- Petroleum-based adhesives
- Roofing tar
- Mercury thermostats
- Wood preservatives
- Driveway sealer



No frozen or dried out products.

Automotive Products

- Carburetor cleaner
- Degreasers
- Fuel (gasoline, kerosene)
- Motor oil, oil filters and antifreeze
- Petroleum-based waxes and finishes



Household Products

- Aerosols
- Batteries
- Drain and oven cleaner
- Mercury thermometers
- Mercury thermostats
- Nail polish and remover
- Propane tanks



Used Sharps

- Hypodermic needles
- Syringes
- Lancets
- Pen needles
- IV needles
- Used Epi-Pens®



Place sharps in rigid, puncture resistant container. Label container: "Do Not Recycle: Household Sharps." Seal to prevent spills.

Fluorescent Bulbs

- Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs)
- Fluorescent bulbs
- High intensity discharge (HID)



Fluorescent bulbs contain mercury. Intact or broken, it is illegal to put them in the garbage.

Do not tape fluorescent tubes together.

Lawn & Garden Products

- Ant, bug, roach and rodent killer
- Bug spray
- Fertilizer with weed control
- Weed killer



Transportation & Arrival Guidelines

- Do not mix products together.
- Seal tightly and place containers upright to prevent leaks or spills.
- At the facility all waste must be in your trunk, cargo bed or trailer for staff to remove.
- Remain in your vehicle while staff assist you.
- Have your drivers license or identification card ready upon arrival to the site.
- Any items left in your vehicles by staff are not accepted.

What NOT to Bring to the Facility

- Appliances
- Asbestos
- Dried Paint
- Electronics
- Empty Containers
- Explosives
- Garbage
- Unknown Materials
- Radioactive Waste
- Tires



Call Recycling & Resource Solutions at 763-324-3400 (Monday through Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm) for more information.

Businesses, Organizations and Schools

Do **NOT** bring hazardous waste to the facility. Contact Anoka County Environmental Services at 763-324-4260 for disposal information.

Anoka County Household Hazardous Waste Facility, 3230 101st Ave NE, Blaine

763-324-3400 • AnokaCounty.us/HHW

Anoka County Compost Site Summer Hours

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

www.anokacounty.us/359/Compost-Sites

*** Sunset Closing Hours**

In October and November, sunset occurs before 7 pm. The compost sites have 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.

Hours of Operation: Bunker Hills

April - November, weather permitting

Monday - Friday: 10 am - 7 pm

Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm

Sunday: Noon - 5 pm

Hours of Operation: Rice Creek

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*