



**LEXINGTON
SMALL IN SIZE BIG
ON PRIDE**

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www.ci.lexington.mn.us

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Diane Harris
Kim DeVries
Bob Benson
Brandon Winge

City Administrator

Bill Petracek

Finance Director

Chris Galiov

Deputy Clerk

Mary Vinzant

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Brenda Beaudet

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Scott Jensen

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Jim Fischer
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Police Department

763-784-2501

Lexington Fire
Department

763-784-1604

Lexington Liquor

Jack Borgen
Karen Larson
Matt Rivard
763-786-0198

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.

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.

★ **CONGRATULATIONS!** ★

Gary Grote
For being elected Mayor of Lexington
As well as
Councilmembers
Robert Benson / Kim DeVries
In being re-elected and taking the oath of office at the January 5th Council meeting

LEXINGTON MUNICIPAL LIQUOR STORE

For great deals on beer, wine, liquor, mixes and soda for your holiday get together

9271 South Highway Drive
Lexington, MN 55014
763-786-0198



Gift Certificates available.

CLUB 50+ Discount ~ every Monday
Wine Specials ~ every Wednesday
Top Ten Beer Specials ~ every Thursday

We're thankful for your business and appreciate your loyalty!

**Just a
Reminder**

It isn't the plow, but rather the snow thrown from the plow blade that wreaks havoc. When setting your garbage at the curb, leave adequate room for the snowplow to do their job. Keep your trash cans off the road. This is also a good time to check you mailbox post for wood rot.

**Water pipes
Reminder**

To keep your pipes from freezing don't turn off your heat, and let a faucet drip if you are leaving for a few days.



Park Board Vacancy

If you are interested in serving please send a letter of interest to

Lexington City Hall
9180 Lexington Ave.
Lexington, MN 55014

Your Next Challenge Awaits!
It's time to make a difference in your community!
Lexington, MN has fired up the call for volunteers,
And WE WANT YOU!
Are you ready ?

www.ci.lexington.mn.us/page/depts_fire_membership

The City Staff & Residents wish to say Thank You to Mike Murphy for serving our community for the past 3+ years. Mayor Murphy took office on November 11th 2019 . He has since then worked with the city council & planning commission to help Lexington grow & improve.

We wish him the best in his future endeavors!

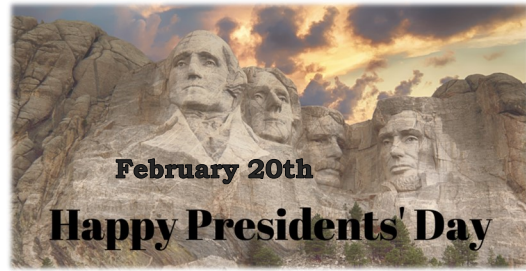
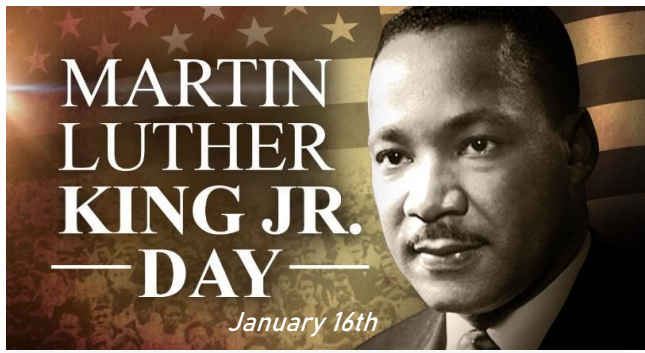
City Offices will be closed in observance of the following Holidays

New Years Day
January 2nd (Observed)

Martin Luther King Day
January 16th

Presidents Day
February 21st





Are you a new resident of Lexington? Welcome! We're happy you're here!

Check out our city website, it offers multiple items to help you learn about where you live, and other items to help you navigate the area. Look under the **About Lexington** tab there you will find a local business directory, History of Lexington, New Resident guide, school information, transportation plus much more!

The **Government** tab gives you access to city ordinances, council, park board and planning & zoning agendas & minutes so you can stay informed.

Under the **Department** tab you will find city finance info, public works, the municipal liquor store and our fire department. Just to name a few.

We are here to help you settle in and enjoy our amazing city! You are always welcome to stop in at City Hall or give us a call!

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Fire Protection
 Keep your family and yourself safe. Visit our website to get tips on how to be protected from the dangers of fire in your home.
www.ci.lexington.mn.us/page/depts_fire_outreach

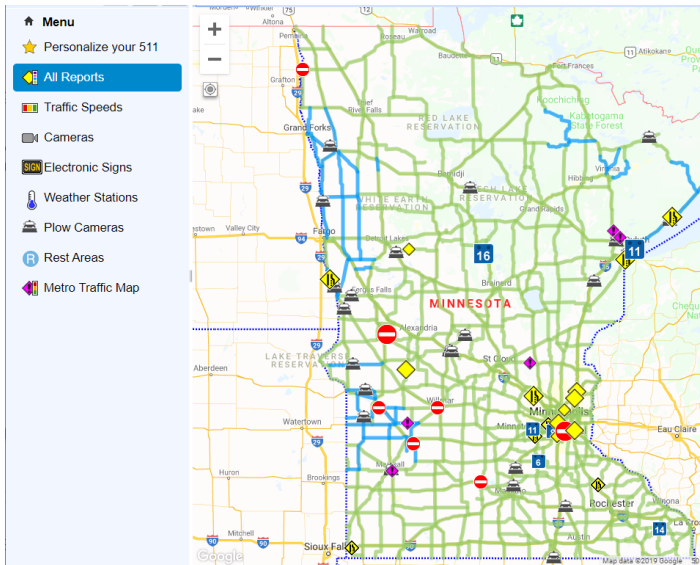
SPRING AHEAD
 March 12th
 Daylight Savings Begins
 Remember to set your clocks ahead 1 hour
 Replace the batteries in your Smoke/CO₂ detectors
 And Test them

Check out our calendar on the website for meeting dates and times, holiday closures and special events in the city.
www.ci.lexington.mn.us/

Keep an Eye on the Roads

Want to know how Minnesota roads are doing before you head out on them? Check the DOT website at : www.hb.511mn.org

You can get information on traffic and accidents, see highway as well as plow cameras. This site also shows locations of road construction, rest stops and views of the information signs throughout the state.



Thank you to the Lexington Fire Relief
 Once again, many thanks go out to the wonderful members of the Lexington Fire Relief Association for their donation of the prize money for the Holiday Lighting Contest.
 The Lexington Lighting Contest is just one of the many beneficiaries of the community based generosity of this thoughtful, considerate and courageous group of volunteers.

Santa Around Town was a huge success again this year! Santa visited every street in Lexington and the fire department collected 2,783 lbs of Food & \$538 in Cash for the Food Shelf.
 Thank You LFD for helping Santa visit our town!



54 North Road - Circle Pines, MN
 Office: 763.784.2501
 Fax: 763.784.0082
 Dispatch/911: 763.427.1212
www.clpdmn.com

Government Access Channel 16

Tune in to see local programming, get information on events and services in our area and watch the city council meetings.

Lexington City Council meetings are broadcast live at 7:00 PM the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. They are rebroadcast daily at 9 AM, 1 PM & 7 PM

To view past council meetings online go to our homepage and click on



Then **City Council Meetings** to see a list of all Available meetings

Congratulations to the 2022 Holiday Lighting Contest winners

1ST PLACE: 8919 NAPLES AVE

2ND PLACE: 4040 RESTWOOD RD

3RD PLACE: 8974 JACKSON AVE



THANK YOU TO ALL RESIDENTS THAT SHOWED HOLIDAY SPIRIT BY DECORATING THEIR HOUSES & YARDS THIS YEAR
YOU CAN VIEW ALL THE WINNERS ON OUR WEBSITE

Do you own a Business or Rental Property in the City of Lexington?

City ordinance requires that all businesses & rental properties obtain a license to operate within the city limits.

Business licenses must be renewed yearly by June 30th.

Rental properties are licensed on a biennial basis. They also require an inspection of the property be done with each renewal.

You can find the application forms on our website.
www.ci.lexington.mn.us

look under:
Governments / Business & Rental Property Licensing.

Read the full licensing codes under :
Government / Ordinances / Code Book
Business Licensing : Ordinance Code Book Chapter 6
Rental Property Licensing : Ordinance Code Book Chapter 15

CITY OF LEXINGTON, MINNESOTA SUMMARY 2023 BUDGET

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the 2023 budget information concerning the City of Lexington to interested citizens. This budget is published in accordance with **Minn. Stat. Sec. 471.6965**. This budget is not complete; the complete budget may be examined at:

Lexington City Hall, 9180 Lexington Ave, Lexington, MN 55014 during regular business hours.

The City Council adopted this budget on December 1, 2022

	Revenue	Expenditures
General Fund	\$2,309,980	\$2,309,980
Debt Service	\$182,305	\$174,297
Capital Projects Fund	\$337,000	\$318,000
Street Improvements	\$118,071	\$109,000
Park Dedication Fund	\$27,000	\$27,000
TIF 1-3	\$176,381	\$255,536
Enterprise Funds		
Liquor Fund	\$3,898,900	\$3,829,794
Storm Water Fund	\$74,208	\$96,348
Water Fund	\$245,025	\$271,722
Sewer Fund	\$291,000	\$504,093

Cut back on Road Salt to Protect Our Infrastructure, Water, and Aquatic Wildlife!

The Twin Cities Metro applies 350,000 tons of road salt every year, but have you ever wondered where it goes when winter ends?

Stormwater and snowmelt carry dissolved road salt into lakes, streams, and groundwater when winter thaws out. Chloride, a major part of road salt compounds, is especially stubborn in water. Once it dissolves, there is no feasible method to remove chloride from water, and stormwater treatment solutions like stormwater ponds and rain gardens are ineffective at removing chloride. Instead, chloride gradually accumulates in our water bodies, harming fish and other aquatic life. The corrosive nature of road salt also contributes between \$350 million and \$1.2 billion in infrastructure costs each year to the Metro area alone.

What can you do about it?

Here are some helpful tips **you** can use to make your driveways and sidewalks safer and better for the environment this winter:

Shovel!

Salt is never a substitute for shoveling. Shovel your snow and ice first so that salt is only used for melting ice stuck to the ground.

Scatter!

Did you know you only need a 12-oz. mug of salt to effectively de-ice a 20-foot driveway or 10 sidewalk squares? When applying salt, aim to leave 3" between grains.

Salt!

Traditional salt (sodium chloride) does not melt ice when the temperature is below 15 degrees Fahrenheit. Use a low-temperature alternative such as magnesium chloride or calcium chloride to melt ice at lower temperatures or use sand for traction.

Sweep!

Sweeping up leftover salt and reusing it later is a great way to save money and limit the amount of salt getting into nearby waterways

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Parking restrictions are in effect and go until April 1st.

*****No Parking** allowed on City streets between the hours of 2 AM and 6 AM without an emergency parking permit issued by staff at City Hall.

*****No Parking** on any street after a snowfall with accumulations of 2 inches or more until all snow, ice and similar debris have been removed from the paved portion of the street.

*** **It is illegal** to remove snow from private property and place it on the road or sidewalk.

*****Approximately 200 accidents** occur each year involving snow moving equipment, so be extra cautious and **always** give the plow truck the benefit of the doubt. It weighs in excess of 50,000 lbs. Your car weighs about 3,000 lbs.

REDUCE
THE AMOUNT OF
MATERIALS
YOU USE, WHICH



REDUCES
THE AMOUNT
OF WASTE
YOU CREATE.

REUSE
MATERIALS
WHEN POSSIBLE



RECYCLE
WHENEVER
POSSIBLE



RETHINK
THE MATERIALS

**YOU
USE**

AND
THOSE

**YOU
THROW
AWAY**

SPRING RECYCLING DAY

****REMINDER !!!**

**Lexington's Recycling/Clean Up Day is
Saturday April 15th**

Location: Memorial Park

9100 Hamline Ave

8:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM

**Donations of non-perishable food items will also be
collected for the local food shelf**

For disposal options for unacceptable materials you can call
Anoka County
Recycling & Resource Solutions,
763-324-3400
3230 101st Ave NE, Blaine, MN 55449



Accepted Items

- Aerosol cans that have contents remaining
- Antifreeze
- Driveway sealer
- Fluorescent and HID bulbs and CFLs
- Gasoline and other fuels, Mercury
- Paint (liquid only)
- Paint stripper, Paint thinner
- Pesticides, Propane tanks, Sharps
- Used motor oil
- Used oil filters
- Varnish
- Wood preservatives
- Other household products that are corrosive, flammable, combustible or poisonous.

Recycle at City Hall

- ◆ Batteries
- ◆ Light Bulbs (Compact Fluorescent & LED)
- ◆ Ink Cartridges
- ◆ Cell Phones



Have you tested your home? Radon is a colorless, odorless radioactive gas that seeps up from the soil. It has been determined that long term exposure can lead to lung cancer. It is the number one cause of lung cancer in non-smokers. Radon is everywhere, there is no known safe level. **Radon test kits are \$10 per test kit which includes lab processing.**

Purchase a home radon testing kit, by mail:

Mail completed form and \$10 payment per test kit.

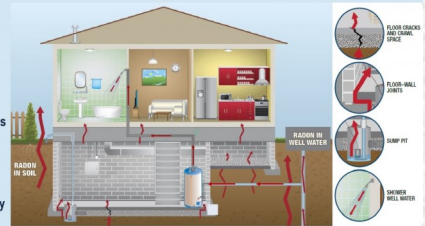
Anoka County Community Development

2100 Third Avenue, Suite 700 Anoka, MN 55303

*Find form at: anokacountymn.gov
go to services / radon testing*

Radon can enter your home in many ways:

- Cracks in solid floors
- Construction joints
- Cracks in walls
- Gaps in suspended floors
- Gaps around service pipes
- Cavities inside walls
- The water supply



epa.gov/radon

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. See the list below for acceptable items.
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.**

These items **DO NOT** belong in your curbside recycling container.



*Lexington is a GreenStep City
We are working toward the 4th step
and are Celebrating 7 years in the program
Check out what we have accomplished
www.ci.lexington.mn.us/page/depts_environment_greenstep*

