



## LEXINGTON SMALL IN SIZE BIG **ON PRIDE**

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

November 10th Veterans Day November 23rd & 24th Thanksgiving December 25th & 26th Christmas January 2nd 2024 New Years

**Lexington City Meetings** Podcasts now available on the following Apps.















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Go to www.northmetrotv.com/lexingtonpodcast/ to

download the apps or find them on our website at: www.ci.lexington.mn.us/page/news homepage news



to City Website



Centerville • Circle Pines • Lexington • Lino Lakes

**Our Mission** 

To support and promote local business communities by providing a voice for business owners, networking opportunities, strengthening community partnerships and promoting the overall economic prosperity of the Quad Area. For more information on membership

Contact us at: info@quadareachamber.org www.QuadChamber.org



Serving the Communities of Blaine, Centerville, Circle Pines, Lexington & Lino Lakes (763) 792-6000





Not Every Hero Wears a Cape PLAN & PRACTICE your ESCAPE!!

# October is Fire Prevention Month

In a typical home fire, you may have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Escape planning and practice can help you make the most of the time you have, giving everyone enough time to get out. Plan ahead for your escape.

Make your home escape plan



Scan to be directed to our webpage To find more information



CALL Connexus: 763-323-2650 Xcel: 800-895-4999 They may ask for a pole number

Airport Noise Complaints Phone: 763-726-9411 Online: Macnoise.com











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 snowplows to do their job. This is also a good time to check your mailbox post for wood rot.

## Water pipes Reminder

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

# Vehicle Licensing Service ~ DMV There are 2 offices located near Lexington

Vehicle Registration, Vehicle Titles, Vehicle Plates, Address Change

### 9201 Lexington Ave. Circle Pines



Driver's License and Renewal, Identification Cards, Vehicle Registration, Vehicle Titles, License Plates

# 10995 Club West Pkwy Blaine



Circle Pines City Hall Building Lower Level Back Entrance 200 Civic Heights Circle Circle Pines, MN 55014

Food Shelf Hours: Mondays / Thursdays 4 - 6 PM No appointment necessary

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# **Snapshot of City Ordinances**

## Chapter 4 SECTION 4.02. BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED.

It is unlawful for any person to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, convert, or demolish any building or structure, or any part or portion thereof, including, but not limited to, the plumbing, electrical, ventilating, heating or air conditioning systems therein, or cause the same to be done, without first obtaining a separate building or mechanical permit for each such building, structure or mechanical components from the City.

### Chapter 7 Subd. 5. Placing Snow or Ice in a Roadway or on a Sidewalk.

A. It is a misdemeanor for any person, not acting under a specific contract with the City or without special permission from the City, to remove snow or ice from private property and place the same in any roadway or on a sidewalk.

B. Where permission is granted by the City the person to whom such permission is granted shall be initially responsible for payment of all direct or indirect costs of removing the snow or ice from the street or sidewalk. If not paid, collection shall be by civil action or assessment against the benefited property as any other special assessment

**Subd. 6. Continuing Violation**. Each day that any person continues in violation of this Section shall be a separate offense and punishable as such.

#### Chapter 10 SECTION 10.01. STORAGE, DEPOSIT AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE

The following terms, as used in this Section, shall have the meanings stated:

A. "Refuse" - Includes all organic material resulting from the manufacture, preparation or serving of food or food products, and spoiled, decayed or waste foods from any source, bottles, cans, glassware, paper or paper products, crockery, ashes, rags and discarded clothing, tree or lawn clippings, leaves, weeds and other waste products, or human waste, except waste resulting from building construction or demolition.

- B. "Residential Dwelling" Any single building consisting of one or two dwelling units with individual kitchen facilities for each.
- C. "**Multiple Dwelling**" Any building used for residential purposes consisting of more than two dwelling units with individual kitchen facilities for each.

#### Subd. 2. Storage.

A. It is unlawful for any person to store refuse on residential dwelling premises for more than one week. All such storage shall be in five to thirty-two gallon metal or plastic containers with tight-fitting covers, which shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition; provided, that tree leaves, weeds and grass clippings may be stored in plastic bags and tree limbs must be stored in bundles weighing no more than seventy-five pounds or no longer than three feet. All metal containers or equivalent shall at all times except on collection days be located behind the rear line of the dwelling, or in the garage, or screened from view from the street and at least ten feet from the abutting property.

B. It is unlawful for any person to store refuse on multiple dwelling premises for more than one week. Such storage shall be in containers as for residential dwelling premises, except that so-called "dumpsters" with close-fitting covers may be substituted.

## October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month Don't stay silent. It's time to speak up

For Help call 1-800-799-7233 / 1-800-787-3224 (TTY)

If you are unable to speak log on to www.thehotline.org or text LOVEIS to 1-866-331-9474 You can also contact the Alexandra Houses 24-Hour help line at 763-780-2330 / 1-888-780-2332

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

# WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

With summer gone, fall's upon us, and winter is just around the corner. It's time to start thinking of the other changes that affect us this time of year, namely parking restrictions & snow removal.

Parking restrictions will begin November 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.



# - STAY SAFE -

Assume snowplow drivers DO NOT see you.

City Hall has stakes available for residents to pick up. They can be used to mark curves along the roadway or other items that may be hit by the plow. Once the plow had gone by several times they will no longer be needed. City Hall is open Monday~ Friday

8:00am-4:30pm

Fire Department Community Breakfast October 14th Time: 9am ~ 11am Location: 9055 South Hwy

#### SEEN AROUND TOWN

Have you captured a video or picture of something fun, amazing or beautiful about our city?

email it to: brenda.beaudet@cityoflexingtonmn.org

# **Rental Property Licensing**

The Lexington City Council has a responsibility to ensure that rental property within the City meets the standards that are in place in the Lexington City Code to protect the health, safety and welfare of its residents. As a result the City has a Rental Dwelling Licensing program that will require inspection of all rental properties owned within the City. This program is intended to eliminate substandard and deteriorating housing and to improve the overall living environment in the City of Lexington.

Completion of the Rental Dwelling License Application is your first step toward obtaining licensure. After your completed application and accompanying fees have been received by our office, you must then contact the City to schedule a property inspection with the Rental Inspector. For more information regarding the process to obtain your rental license, please contact the city at (763)784-2792. You can also find all the information on our website at:

www.ci.lexington.mn.us/page/govt\_business\_rental\_licenses

# HALLOWEEN Oct. 31st STAY SAFE & HAVE FUN

#### **Costume Safety**

All costumes, wigs and accessories should be fire-resistant

Avoid masks, which can obstruct vision If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags, or give them glow sticks

When buying Halloween makeup, make sure it is nontoxic and always test it in a small area first Remove all makeup before children go to bed to prevent skin and eye irritation

## When They're on the Prowl

A responsible adult should accompany young children on the neighborhood rounds If your older children are going alone, plan and review a route acceptable to you Agree on a specific time children should return

Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home or car

Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home

Children and adults are reminded to put electronic devices down, keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street

#### **Safety Tips for Motorists**

Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs

Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing

Discourage new, inexperienced drivers from driving on Halloween









# Reduce ~ Reuse ~ Recycle **America Recycles Day November 15th**

# **Anoka County**

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

# April - October

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

#### November - March

Wednesday

Closed holidays

There is no charge to use the facility.

residents of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington counties.

Bring identification, such as a driver's 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

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

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







Automotive batteries are not accepted.

### **Used Sharps**

- Hypodermic needles
- Syringes

or other batteries

- 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.

## What NOT to Bring to the Facility



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

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.

Where: Recycling Technologies Davenport St NE Blaine, MN

Call for Hours Time: 763-559-5130

# **Materials Accepted:**

- Appliances (\$10 25 each)
- Batteries: sealed lead acid, small household and rechargeable (\$0 - \$6.50/lb)
- Carpet: no rubber back (\$6/roll)
- Electronics
  - Printers, scanners and fax machines (\$10 35 each)
  - · Hard drive destruction (\$5 each)
  - •TVs and monitors: all sizes (\$18 85 each)
  - Small and medium items: mice, keyboards, DVD and VCR players, stereos, speakers, record players, coffee makers, toasters, toaster ovens, keyboards, vacuums, phones, small appliances and video game consoles (\$0 - 5 each)
- Exercise equipment (\$25 40)
- Fluorescent bulbs (\$.50 .95 each)
- · Holiday lights (FREE)
- · Mattresses and box springs (\$20 25 each)
- Paper shredding: 2 box maximum, no 3-ring binders or newspaper (FREE)
- Propane tanks (\$5 20)
- · Scrap metal: clean and all non-metal material removed (FREE)
- •Tires (\$7 9 each)

Prices have a range since they vary by the size and type of material.

### Recycle Smart!

#### Only Put Items That Can Be Recycled in Your Curbside Cart

Just because you think something is recyclable doesn't mean it should be put in your curbside cart. If everyone can focus on recycling the basic three types of recyclables below, recycling facilities will be able to process and recover more recyclables.

#### Recycle the Basic 3!

Place these recyclables loose directly in your recycling cart. If you need to use a bag, use a paper bag. No plastic bags should be put in a recycling



#### 1. Food and Beverage Containers

Empty and rinsed food and beverage bottles, cans and paper cartons (replace cap on plastic bottles, jugs and paper

#### 2. Mixed Paper

Newspaper and unwanted mail (remove plastic bags, plastic cards and any promotional items) catalogs, dry goods boxes and phone books

#### 3. Flattened, Clean, Dry Cardboard Clean = free of grease and food debris

Remove excess tape, labels and any non-paper packaging materials





