

**CITY OF LEXINGTON
WORKSHOP SYNOPSIS
Thursday, February 15, 2024
Immediately following Council meeting
City Hall**

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

Mayor Grote called to order the workshop for February 15, 2024 at 7:16 p.m. Councilmembers present: Benson, Devries, Harris and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Chris Galiov, Finance Director.

3. Discussion Items:

- A. Discuss Revised City Hall sign rendering

Councilmember Winge had brought up potential problems with Wi-Fi display signs. Discussion about the proposed city hall sign being hardwired vs. Wi-Fi. Petracek added that the cost to hardwire the sign to city hall connection is \$10,355. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Harris discussed the examples of other potential sign designs that were provided in the packet. Discussion ensued. Petracek provided an alternate rendering from Albrecht Sign Company that mimics one of the examples Councilmember Harris provided. He added that the cost is \$74, 505, which would be \$20,000 more than the original sign proposal from Albrecht. Discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Council was to decrease the size of the City of Lexington logo to 2 feet and change the logo lettering to read “Lexington City Hall” with the same type of font; also add the Minute Man into the logo.

- B. Discuss Lexington Avenue intersection crosswalks

Councilmember Harris discussed adding crosswalks on Lexington Ave. She feels there should be crosswalks so citizens can safely walk across Lexington Ave. at the intersections of Flowerfield Road, Restwood Road, and Woodland Ave. Discussion ensued.

Petracek read an email regarding from Joe Macpherson, Anoka County Engineer stating, “If the City is interested in requesting a crosswalk on Lexington Avenue, you can simply send us an email and we’ll perform a preliminary review. One item to keep in mind is we do not install new crosswalks at uncontrolled intersections, or between intersections, on county roads. There are a

number of reasons for not installing crosswalks at uncontrolled intersections, and they are all related to safety.” Discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Council was to have Anoka County Street Department to do a review of the intersections on Lexington Ave.

C. Discuss revising Park Board duties and responsibilities

Councilmember Harris wants to give the Park Board more duties and responsibilities. She feels that the Park Board should be more involved with City beautification and rebranding. Discussion ensued.

Petracek explained that in the past the Park Board did more work with planting and weeding flower beds on public property. He added that in the past few years the Park Board has gotten away from that. He said that by ordinance the Park Board is only an advisory committee to the City Council for City parks. They do not have the authority to spend money. Discussion ensued.

The Council discussed further the roles and responsibilities of the Park Board.

4. Staff Input

No discussion

5. Council Input

No Council input

6. Adjourn

Councilmember Benson made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.