



VOTE

The United States will hold its 59th presidential election on November 3, 2020. The winner of the 2020 presidential election will be sworn into office on January 20, 2021. There are also Congressional, State, and Local Elections including the City of Lexington Mayor and two City Council seats. Make sure you vote and have your voice heard.

Lexington Residents vote at City Hall ~ 9180 Lexington Avenue

**LEXINGTON
SMALL IN SIZE BIG
ON PRIDE**

City Hall

763-784-2792
Fax-763-785-8951
Cable Channel 16
www.ci.lexington.mn.us

Mayor

Mike Murphy

Council Members

Diane Harris
Kim DeVries
John Hughes
Brandon Winge

City Administrator

Bill Petracek

Finance Director

Chris Galiov

Deputy Clerk

Mary Vinzant

Admin Asst./Permit Tech

Brenda Beaudet

Building Inspector

Scott Jensen

Public Works Department

Jim Fischer
Travis Schmid
763-784-6849

Centennial Lakes
Police Department

763-784-2501

Lexington Fire
Department

763-784-1604

Lexington Liquor

Jack Borgen
Karen Larson
Andy Lyons
763-786-0198

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
visit: www.NFPA.ORG**



Contact the
Lexington
Fire Department
at: (763) 784-1604
to learn more

City Offices will be closed in observance of the following Holidays

Veteran's Day
November 11th

Thanksgiving
November 26th
&
November 27th

Christmas Eve
December 24th
Closed at Noon

Christmas Day
December 25th

New Years Eve
December 31st
Closed at Noon

New Years Day
January 1st 2021

New Parking Restrictions

**Dunlap Avenue between
Lake Avenue & Edgewood Road
is now "NO PARKING" on the East
Side of the street as well as
"NO OVERNIGHT PARKING FROM
12 MIDNIGHT TILL 6AM"
On the West side of the street.
In addition there is now
"NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER"
at the intersection of Lovell Road
& Dunlap Avenue**



Thank You To

Leann Mitlyng & Marilyn Ames

For the donation of Hostas
planted in front of
The new Lexington City Sign
On Lake Drive



The City of Lexington has Proclaimed October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Don't stay silent. It's time to speak up all month long.

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

Thank you for considering the impact these items may have on your
sanitary sewer system before you flush!

Examples of DO NOT Flush Items

baby wipes	adult wipes	paper towels	disposable and cloth diapers
feminine products	q-tips	bandages	dental floss
socks	sanitary towels	incontinence pads	underwear
rags	kitty litter	cigarette butts	pantyhose
razors and blades - put these in a rigid container before placing in the trash bin			
Medicines - any unwanted or unused medicines should be returned to your local pharmacy for safe disposal			

"Disposable" doesn't mean flushable. Disposable means you should bag it and trash it... **don't flush it!** Most baby wipes and adult wipes are not flushable. This information is usually written in tiny letters somewhere on the package. Even if the phrase "flushable" or "safe to flush" is on the package, it may not be flushable. These "unflushable" and many "flushable" wipes do not fall apart in water like toilet paper. The wipes get tangled in the sewage with other wipes and debris, resulting in sewer clogs and expensive problems for your collection system. These additional maintenance issues cost you money in the form of sewer rates and take time away from the operators and maintenance staff's daily activities. Flushing these items can impact you or your neighbor's sewer service.

COVID-19 Information

If you are going to wear gloves while running errands, please educate yourselves on cross contamination.

For example, touching your grocery cart with your gloves, then touching your phone with the same gloves, then later being home and touching your phone without gloves is NOT effective.

If you wear a surgical mask, the idea is to cover your nose & mouth to protect your respiratory system. Do not pull down the mask to expose your nose; it defeats the purpose.

If you wear an N95 mask, BOTH elastics must be worn to ensure a secure fit. If you are not wearing both elastics, it defeats the purpose.

STAY SAFE



Top Halloween Fire Safety Tips



Use a battery-operated candle or glow stick in jack-o-lanterns

When choosing costumes, stay away from long trailing fabric

Teach children to stay away from open flames, including jack-o-lanterns with candles in them.

Dried flowers, cornstalks, and crepe paper catch fire easily. Keep all decorations away from open flames and other heat sources like light bulbs and heaters

Provide children with flashlights to carry for lighting or glow sticks as part of their costume.

Remember to keep exits clear of decorations so nothing blocks escape routes. Make sure all smoke alarms are working.



Are you considering a new artificial Christmas tree this year?

You can recycle your old one.

Go to Anoka County's website for a list of locations. Post it on

Craig's List, Nextdoor app or

contact ReUSE America

www.reusemn.org

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.

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. 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 let a faucet drip if you are leaving for a few days.

Snapshot of City Ordinances

Chapter 6 ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE Section 6.31 DANCES

Subd. 2. License Required. It is unlawful to hold an entertainment event, or to maintain sound amplifying equipment outside of a structure, except under an entertainment license from the City.

No license shall be required in the following instances:

- A.** Events presented in local schools and colleges, or under the sponsorship of such schools and colleges, and primarily for the students thereof only.
- B.** Athletic, musical or theatrical events sponsored by local schools or colleges using student talent only.
- C.** Events at private homes that do not otherwise meet the requirements of an entertainment event.
- D.** Recitals presented in local businesses such as Dance Studios, Music Studios, etc., where the students, parents and/or instructors are providing the performance.
- E.** Services held on the grounds of churches or religious organizations.
- F.** Athletic events held in City parks and subject to park rules and regulations.

Chapter 7 STREETS AND SIDEWALKS GENERALLY

Section 7.07. OBSTRUCTIONS IN STREETS.

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 8 TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

Section 8.02. TRUCK ROUTE.

Subd. 1. Purpose. The City of Lexington by and through the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 169.87 has determined that the weight of motor vehicles to be operated upon designated City streets and roads must be restricted to prevent serious damage or destruction of streets and roads subject to deterioration, rain, snow and other climatic conditions.

Subd. 2. Temporary Restrictions. The City Coordinator, upon the recommendation of the City Engineer may from time to time impose upon vehicular traffic on any part or on all of the City maintained streets, such load limits as may be necessary or desirable. Such limits and the specifications or weight to which loads are limited shall be clearly legible sign posted thereon.

Subd. 3. Permanent Restrictions. It is unlawful for any person to drive a tractor, agricultural implement, truck over 3 tons per axle weight, truck trailer, tractor-trailer or track tractor upon any street except those which have been designated and sign-posted as truck routes.

Truck routes of nine-ton per axle weight are as listed below:

- A.** Woodland Road between Lake Drive and Lexington Avenue
- B.** Restwood Road between Lake Drive and Lexington Avenue
- C.** Griggs Avenue from Lake Drive to Restwood
- D.** South Highway Drive between Restwood Road and Lexington Avenue
- E.** North Highway Drive between Restwood Road and Patriot Lane

Subd. 4. Exceptions. The above weight restrictions shall not apply to City or emergency vehicles, public school buses, recreational vehicles or to garbage and refuse trucks making regular collections or who are under license with the City of Lexington.

All Ordinances can be viewed at: www.ci.lexington.mn.us/page/govt_code_book



SANTA AROUND TOWN Saturday December 19th

LFD will be out with Santa visiting the kiddos and accepting donations for the local food shelf



Daylight Savings Ends
November 1st

Remember to
turn your clocks
back 1 hour and
change the
batteries in your
smoke and
CO₂ detectors

WHERE DO I RECYCLE

DROP OFF & DELIVERIES:

In back of building - Follow Signs
Monday - Friday
7:30am to 3:45pm

OFFICE:

In front of building
Monday - Friday
8:00am to 5:00pm

☎ 763.785.0456

☎ 763.785.0453

🌐 www.GLRnow.com

✉ wecare@GLRnow.com

📍 Green Lights Recycling
10040 Davenport Street NE
Blaine, MN 55449



City of Lexington Candidates for Office

Mayor
Mike Murphy

City Council (2 Seats)
Brandon Winge
Diane Harris



The Annual Holiday Lighting Contest
will be taking place again this year.

No need to register, the entire City qualifies.
Check out our website for dates of the judging

* 1st Place \$100 * 2nd Place \$50 * 3rd Place \$25 *



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

Vehicle Licensing Service ~ DMV

There are 2 offices located near Lexington

9201 Lexington Ave. Circle Pines

Vehicle Registration, Vehicle Titles,
 Vehicle Plates, Address Change



10995 Club West Parkway Blaine

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



Where: Green Lights Recycling
 10040 Davenport St NE, Blaine, MN

Time: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

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 cart.



1. Food and Beverage Containers

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



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



USagain Clothing Recycling boxes
 Are open again at City Hall
 Please **DO NOT** leave
Electronics, Furniture or Household Items
 Those are accepted at
 Goodwill ~ Savers ~ The Salvation Army

RECYCLE

4 items for FREE
November 14, 2020
8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Green Lights Recycling
Lexington