

Minutes
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE

1. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Kurth

- A. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Harris, Hughes and Murphy

Mayor Kurth called to order the Regular City Council meeting for September 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Devries, Harris, Hughes, and Murphy. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Craig Johnson, Anoka County Commissioner Candidate, various Lexington citizens.

2. CITIZENS FORUM

*Craig Johnson
6449 Anoka Drive
Lino Lakes, MN.*

Mr. Johnson stated he was running for the open Anoka County Commissioner position that was vacated by Rhonda Siverajah. He added that he wanted to introduce himself to Lexington. Mr. Johnson provided a background of his qualifications and the reason he is running for office.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the agenda as typewritten. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

- A. Airport (Councilmember Murphy) – *No report given due to lack of meetings.*
- B. Cable Commission (Councilmember Murphy) – *Councilmember Murphy explained that the City HD channels are starting at the end of the month with live streaming of Apple and Rucco. Discussion ensued.*
- C. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) – *Petracek pointed out the letter awarding the \$8,500 grant for the security upgrades at City Hall. He explained this pushed back the start date of the project a week or so due to the need to have the grant agreement signed by State officials before construction could begin. He added that it is now signed and construction should begin next week.*

Petracek stated that they have received the full set of plans for the Lexington Lofts Development and that staff and consultants are currently reviewing the documents,

and tentatively an October 8th public hearing is anticipated for the Planning Commission on the proposed project. Discussion ensued.

5. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Reports – 8-4 through 8-27-19
- B. MN Department of Labor & Industry – Safety Grant Application Award
- C. I-35 North MnPass Design-Build Project Notice of Traffic Control Change
- D. Public Notice - Lofts of Lexington Open House – August 20, 2019
- E. Eastern Anoka County Human Service Center – 1 Year Anniversary Open House – Thursday, September 5, 2019 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM
- F. Council Workshop meeting minutes – August 15, 2019
- G. Planning & Zoning meeting minutes – August 13, 2019
- H. Fall Recycle & Clean-up Day Flyer

No discussion on Letters and Communications.

6. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
Council Meeting – August 15, 2019
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:
Check #'s 13629 through 13631
Check #'s 45256 through 45331
Check #'s 12760 through 12761
Check #'s 12765 through 12790
Check #'s 12792 through 12797

Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilmember Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

7. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to approve Special Event Permit – Lexington Fire Relief – 11th Annual Flash & Dash Color Splash Run – September 21, 2019

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to approve Special Event Permit – Lexington Fire Relief – 11th Annual Flash & Dash Color Splash Run – September 21, 2019. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

B. Recommendation to approve salaries effective January 1, 2021

- Mayor \$7000.00 per year
- Council member \$6000.00 per year

Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve salaries effective January 1, 2021; Mayor \$7000.00 per year; Councilmember \$6000.00 per year. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Recommendation to approve salaries effective January 1, 2020

- Planning & Zoning Commission \$100.00 per month
- Planning Chairperson \$125.00 per month
- Park Board Commission \$100.00 per month
- Park Board Chairperson \$125.00 per month

Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve salaries effective January 1, 2020; Planning & Zoning Commission \$100.00 per month; Planning Chairperson \$125.00 per month; Park Board Commission \$100.00 per month; Park Board Chairperson \$125.00 per month. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Councilmember Murphy abstained from the vote.

D. Recommendation to approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with
Lexington Lofts LLC.

Petracek provided an overview of the fees that will be paid for the Lexington Lofts Development. Councilmember Harris asked if the City could hire a consultant to tell us that all of the high-density housing that is being constructed is appropriate. Petracek stated that it would be a considerable expense, anywhere from \$10,000 to \$40,000 depending the level of study being conducted. He further explained it would be something we would need to budget for and not an expense a developer would cover. He stated he would add that to 2020 budget discussions. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Lexington Lofts LLC. Councilmember Hughes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

E. Recommendation to approve Escrow Agreement between the City of
Lexington and Lexington Lofts LLC

Petracek explained that the Escrow Agreement would set-up the account that would be funded by the Lexington Lofts Developer to pay for consulting fees tied to the project. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to approve Escrow Agreement between the City of Lexington and Lexington Lofts LLC. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. Recommendation to approve 2019 Lease Extension – City of Lexington & American Tower Corporation (ATC).

Attorney Glaser explained the new lease agreement with American Tower Corporation (ATC). He further explained how he was able to negotiate the \$20,000 sign on bonus and increased monthly rental fees for the City; it was primarily due to the consultant that the Council had hired to study the future feasibility of our cell tower. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to approve 2019 Lease Extension – City of Lexington & American Tower Corporation (ATC). Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

8. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

Mayor Kurth reminded everyone that the Fall Festival is September 20-22nd.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Hughes made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.