

**CITY OF LEXINGTON, NEBRASKA
PLANNING COMMISSION
June 3, 2026**

A Regular Meeting of the Lexington Planning Commission was held Wednesday, June 3, 2026, in the Council Chambers at Lexington City Hall, 406 East 7th Street, Lexington, Nebraska, at 5:30 p.m. Commissioners present at roll call were Cam Smith, Roque Gonzalez, Steph Novoa, Jeremy Kaiser, Curtis Roemmich and Kristi Moyer. Commissioners Jeff Tappan, Barb Margritz and Sadie Worthing were absent. City Officials present were City Attorney Brian Copley, Secretary Bill Brecks and Officer Nohemi Hurtado of the Lexington Police Department. The press was represented by the Clipper-Herald and KRVN.

NOTICE: Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the May 23rd, 2026, edition of the Lexington Clipper-Herald, the designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these Minutes. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all Members of the Planning Commission. The proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. All items presented and discussed on the agenda were available for public inspection.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Smith who informed the public that the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Meeting Room at Lexington City Hall, located at 406 East 7th Street, Lexington, Nebraska.

MINUTES–MEETING 5/6/2026: Minutes of the Regular Meeting held May 6, 2026, were presented to the Commission for consideration and approval. Moved by Kaiser, seconded by Gonzalez, to approve Minutes as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Gonzalez, Roemmich, Moyer, Kaiser, Novoa, Smith. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: Smith opened a public hearing to consider a Conditional Use Permit Application by Henry Arriaza for a storefront church located at 517 N. Washington Street. (C-2 Core Commercial). Brecks reviewed the application. He stated the City had received calls with concerns that downtown property should be for commercial use. The applicants, represented by Juan Carlos Ortiz, spoke about the desire to expand the congregation from current numbers, parking and that the church would like to move out of the downtown if a building was available. The members of the commission commented that the downtown needs to be for business and clarified questions about code issues. Following discussion, moved by Kaiser, seconded by Roemmich, to recommend denial of the Conditional Use Permit application to the City Council based upon the Commission's determination that the application did not satisfy the standards contained in Sections 6.08.03 and 6.08.10 of the Zoning Ordinance. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Gonzalez, Roemmich, Kaiser, Smith. Voting “nay” were Novoa and Moyer. Motion carried.

ROUNDTABLE: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Lexington Planning Commission, Vice-Chair Smith declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Brecks
Secretary