

TO: ALL OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF LANSING

RE: EXECUTIVE ORDER 2006-02 – ENERGY CONSERVATION AND REDUCTION IN ENERGY COSTS

While my administration is always committed to conserving the City of Lansing's economic resources and regularly examining the City's assets and expenditures, the necessity for fiscal responsibility is particularly acute at this time due to the City's budget crisis.

Accordingly, I have determined that immediate and deliberate steps must be taken to conserve energy and thereby reduce energy costs incurred by the City.

Therefore, pursuant to the direction and mandate given to me by the people of the City of Lansing, as expressed in the City Charter, I hereby issue the following Executive Order to conserve energy and reduce energy costs, effective immediately:

1. All Departments shall implement a plan to power down non-essential uses of electric power in City buildings and facilities between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. On weekends, non-essential uses of electric power shall be reduced from 6:00 p.m. on Friday to 6:00 a.m. on Monday. Weekend restrictions on power usage also shall apply on holidays.
2. The Director of the Department of Management Services may grant exceptions to the requirements of Section 1 when deemed necessary for the provision of essential services, including but not limited to activities necessary to assure the continued operation of critical computer systems, and the health, safety, defense and well-being of City employees, residents and visitors.
3. To implement this Executive Order, Departments may make minor revisions to electrical systems with the approval of the Director of the Department of Management Services.
4. When possible, the provision of janitorial services should be modified to facilitate implementation of this Executive Order.
5. The Director of each Department shall regularly communicate to their employees the need to turn off electric-powered devices each day at the close of business, including but not limited to lighting, coffee machines, computers, printers and copiers.
6. The Directors of each Department and all City employees are encouraged to implement additional measures to conserve energy and reduce energy costs in City buildings and facilities and in the operation of City-owned equipment, including motorized vehicles.

This Executive Order, signed this 9th day of February, 2006, shall remain in effect until it is rescinded or superceded.



Virg Bernero, Mayor of the City of Lansing