



Andy Schor, Mayor

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Mayor Schor Seeks Improved Efficiency through Department Reorganization

(Lansing, MI)- Lansing Mayor Andy Schor has issued his first Executive Order, which has been submitted to City Council.

Under EO 1, the Department of Planning and Neighborhood Development would be split into the Department of Economic Development and Planning (DEDP), directed by Brian McGrain and the Department of Neighborhoods and Citizen Engagement, directed by Andrea Crawford. Also under EO 1, Code Compliance will be moved into DEDP where it is a better fit than in the Fire Department.

The newly created Department of Neighborhoods and Citizen Engagement has the mission of building neighborhoods, advancing people, and engaging citizens. The department will include the Office of Financial Empowerment, which previously operated under the Finance Department.

Executive orders that have certain provisions under City Charter are enacted unless rejected by a 2/3 vote of city council within 90 days. As a show of cooperation between the Mayor and City Council, though, Mayor Schor is asking council to vote to affirm his executive order which is his first step in reorganizing and streamlining city government. As such, EO 1 has been submitted to council and will be initially considered before the Committee of the Whole on Monday, January 8th at 5:30 PM.

“Neighborhoods are high priority, as is growing the city,” said Mayor Schor. “Breaking these out into individual departments will show that both are top priorities of my administration. This reorganization will also help to make city government work more effectively and efficiently. I am confident that this reorganization will help the City of Lansing provide better service to our citizens.”

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