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Mayor Schor Restricts Discretionary Spending and Hiring Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

Executive Directives to Address Costs as City Revenues Face Uncertainty

(LANSING) – Mayor Andy Schor today signed two executive directives restricting City of Lansing expenses due to the potential severity of the fiscal challenges confronting City government due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Executive Directive 2020-01 restricts City department discretionary spending, and Executive Directive 2020-02 restricts hiring, transfers and promotions within departments unless exceptions are granted.

“As we navigate the potential of reduced revenues due to layoffs and other recessionary indicators as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, freezing discretionary spending and hiring will help ensure stability in our budget,” said Mayor Schor. “The economic repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic are not clear yet, and I am committed to making sure that we are in the best financial position possible when we emerge from this crisis.”

Executive Directive 2020-01 and 2020-02 can be found in their entirety at www.lansingmi.gov/news.

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