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Snow Emergency to be Lifted at Midnight on Thursday, January 31, 2019

City of Lansing facilities to return to regular business hours Friday, February 1, 2019

(LANSING) – Mayor Andy Schor announces that the Snow Emergency will be lifted at midnight on Thursday, January 31, 2019. City Hall, 54-A District Court and city facilities will open for regular business hours Friday, February 1, 2019. Travel and parking restrictions across the city will no longer be in-effect when the snow emergency is lifted. The city’s year-round prohibition of on-street parking remains in-effect between 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.

In an effort to comply with Consumers Energy’s request to voluntarily, temporarily reduce usage of natural gas due to the recent fire at one of their plants, city facilities have turned their thermostats to 65 degrees.

“I would like to thank everyone for their cooperation and patience during these difficult few days of snow emergency and intense cold,” said Mayor Schor. “Lansing staff was phenomenal in handling this difficult situation. Our Public Service staff cleared the streets, LPD and LFD assisted those in accidents and those that needed to get to shelters, Human Relations and Community Services staff ensured that our shelters were able to handle the increased need, and Emergency Management coordinated the rapid response. We truly have caring and exceptional staff. Thanks also to our local partners who helped provide warming centers and necessary resources for those in need.”

As a reminder, Capital Area Recycling and Trash (CART) collections are delayed by two days this week. Meaning Wednesday, January 30th, collections will be pushed to Friday, February 1st. Thursday, January 31st, collections will be pushed to Saturday, February 2nd.

The Lansing Public Service Department delayed enforcement of the sidewalk snow/ice clearing ordinance throughout the Snow Emergency. Temperatures are expected to return above zero on Friday, and residents should plan to clear their sidewalks to allow for pedestrians to travel safely.

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At this time, city officials do not expect flooding situations to occur. Lansing's Office of Emergency Management will continue to actively monitor the weather.

The Lansing Public Service Department has completed a full plow of the city and continues to work around-the-clock to clear streets. Ice may not melt until the weather is warmer and salt can be effective. Residents can stay updated on the status of plowing operations by visiting www.lansingmi.gov/winterstreets.

Lansing residents can sign up for Lansing Alert to receive text or email updates and notifications regarding the City's snow removal operations at www.lansingmi.gov/lansingalert.

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