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To: Mayor Nystrom and members of the City Council
From: John Salomone, City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Report
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Meetings attended included, State representatives and legislators, Southeastern Council of Governments (SCCOG), Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) Board of Directors Meeting and Legislative Committee, Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA) Investment Meeting, NPU-City Coordination Meeting, NCDC Board Meeting and Fire Chiefs.

I also had the pleasure to attending the 32nd Juneteenth Commemoration Ceremony that was held on June 18th which included the raising the Juneteenth Flag in front of City Hall.

City staff and I meet with the City's Bond Council, financial and investment advisors, and actuaries regarding an analysis of the City's pension funding obligation. A public informational presentation on Pension Obligation Bonds will be held on June 29th in Council Chambers at 4 pm for a presentation to the Council, the Personnel and Pension Board, Board of Education and Norwich Public Utilities Board of Commissioners.

I have been working diligently with City departments for their participation with the American Rescue Plan (ARP) for the 10.6 million in funding the City has received from the United States Treasury. My presentation will be held at the July 6th Council meeting.

Norwich Public Works Department has completed replacement of sidewalks on the east side of Boswell Avenue from Oak St. to Roath St. and an emergency repair to the large salt shed at the PW garage. The walls on the larger shed were deteriorated more than on the smaller shed. The City's paving contractor Charles Pasteryak Jr. Inc. has completed Blueberry Hill Road, Watson and Dalewood Drives, Barnsider Lane, Mountainview Drive, Knollcrest Road and Aspen Court in the first half of June.

Justin Zeigler from NYFS put together a great PRIDE month virtual lunch and learn for City employees to learn the basics LGBTQIA+ terms, history and how to be an ally. It was well received by all who attended. NYFS has 120 youth enrolled in the Summer Youth Employment programs at 45 worksites this year.

Norwich Recreation and NYFS hosted a "Meat and Greet" where they welcomed people to enjoy hotdogs cooked by the Norwich Police Department while they explained about all the fun and exciting opportunities for Norwich youth this summer.

Spaulding Pond will open on Thursday, June 24th. The lifeguards are trained and the beach is ready for visitors. Recreation day camp starts June 28th. Please visit the City's website at www.norwichct.org for more information.

Thank you to the Norwich Events Organization for keeping the annual fireworks celebration going. The event will be held on Saturday, July 3rd with a rain date of July 5th.