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**To:** Mayor Nystrom and members of the City Council  
**From:** John Salomone, City Manager  
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Meetings attended were with State representatives and legislators, Southeastern Council of Governments (SECCOG), Southeastern Area Transit (SEAT), NPU-City Coordination Meeting, and ARPA projects for Uncas Leap and downtown parklets.

The Transfer Station re-opened on Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup>, after being closed on Friday and Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> due to a fire. There was an outage to the overhead power to the compactors and a new electrical service had to be installed. Norwich Public Utilities had this in place by Wednesday afternoon, on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Uncas Leap Steering Committee met virtually on July 12<sup>th</sup> and reviewed the consultant's schematic design. An informational about the project is scheduled for the City Council on August 1st. The project should be completed by November 2023.

The cities first parklet for outside dining was installed between Cream and Epicure on Franklin Street. The feedback has been positive and more will be set up in the downtown.

Norwich Human Services has awarded AARP funding to support youth and family programming for Norwich residents provided by local nonprofit partners. The organizations are Sankofa Education, Norwich Youth Football, Madonna Place, and S.T.E.P.S. The summer youth program has placed 129 youth at 35 worksites with an additional 239 on waitlist.

Spaulding Pond Beach attendance is at 2,320 as of July 8<sup>th</sup> and swimming lessons have been at capacity. Recreation's Uncas summer camp first 3 weeks have averaged 104 children per week with limited spots for the rest of the summer.

The CT State Library Office has awarded the City Clerk's Office a \$7,500 *Historic Documents Preservation Grant*. This will allow the continued preservation of land records from 1928 and earlier.

Thank you again to the Norwich Events Organization, sponsors, and volunteers for the annual fireworks celebration held on July 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Norwich Police, Fire and Public Works Department for the extensive resources and additional staffing they provide for the fireworks which were enjoyed by thousands.

I have attached the City Departments, NDCD and Otis Library reports for quarter ending June 30, 2022 and the Fire Chiefs Report from the July Public Safety Meeting.