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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 Executive Committee Meeting (SCCOG), Norwich Public Utilities (NPU) City Coordination Meeting, CT Investment Fund (CIF) Stakeholders, Statewide Emergency Exercise, Eastern CT Rail Transit Study, NCDC Executive Committee Meeting, Chelsea Harbor/Downtown Norwich Public Information Meeting and meeting with Fire Chiefs.

The Chelsea Harbor/Downtown public information meeting was held Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Otis Library Community Room. , which was attended by about 30 members of the public. The meeting provided an overview of data collected to date, existing conditions, and a question and answer period for the public in attendance. A critical component of the study is public outreach. Toward that end, consultants are in the midst of conducting a survey in order to gain feedback concerning what types of transportation improvements citizens of and visitors to Norwich would like to see recommended. The survey can be found on the project website at [www.downtownnorwichmobilitystudy.com](http://www.downtownnorwichmobilitystudy.com)

Norwich Human Services is currently accepting applications for this year's Adopt a Family Program for the holidays. Please go to the Human Services website to find the application at [www.norwichct.org](http://www.norwichct.org).

The Rose City Senior Center was recently awarded just under \$100,000 from the Department of Aging and Disability Services, to be used to upgrade and expand outdoor programming space.

The Youth, Family, & Recreation Division handed out candy to over 3,000 Norwich residents at October 27<sup>th</sup>'s Trunk or Treat and would like to thank all who participated. They have also created a short film: "Escape the Vape," so please be sure to watch it on their social media pages.

The downtown streets were busy for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual NorWitch Strut that was held on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Norwich Events Organization, the committee and volunteers for this family event. Thank you also to Norwich Public Utilities, Public Works Department and Police for their assistance with the event.

Thank you to Chelsea Groton Savings Bank for their generous donation of upholstered chairs, desks and credenzas. Public Works has been busy rearranging several spaces in City Hall with the used items.