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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 were Southeastern Council of Governments Meeting (SCCOG) Yantic Flood Mitigation Committee, Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) Legislative Committee and Board of Directors meeting, NCDC Executive Board of Directors meeting, NPU-City Coordination meeting and Jubilee Park Coordination meeting.

I also had the pleasure of attending the Uncas Leap Park Dedication along with federal, state and local dignitaries and Council of Elders and representatives from the Mohegan, Mashantucket, Narragansett and Eastern Pequot tribes. The City acquired the former Artform property in 2010, had several studies to create the Master Plan which finally came to fruition with \$2,960,000 in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding. Construction will continue on the overlook and stairway connecting Sachem Street to Yantic Street. Special thanks to the Mohegan Tribe, Norwich Historical Society, numerous City Council members and department heads that kept this project on track.

Public Works has dismantled the Parklets around the city and they have been stored away for the winter season. Fall leaf pickup will begin pickup on November 18th. Leaves must be placed in paper yard waste bags. City residents can also bring leaves free of charge to the Transfer Station. Annual road paving will be completed for the season with the upper portion of Browning Road to begin this week.

The Norwich Fire Department has issued a High fire Danger/Red Flad Warning until further notice in alignment with the St of CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). All open burning in Norwich if prohibited and previously issued open permits are invalid based on current conditions. Thank you for your cooperation during this critical time.

Early voting as of Sunday, November 3rd for the City is 5,635 ballots. The City Clerk's Office absentee voters as of Monday morning is at 917 ballots with 775 returned. Absentee voters have until 8 pm Tuesday, November 5th to get their ballot to the City Clerk's Office. Thank you to the Registrars, City Clerks's Office and all the volunteers that helped during this new voting procedure.

The City Clerk's Office will close to the public at 3:30 to complete administrative tasks until further notice. Please plan accordingly for recordings and appointments. Please contact City Clerk, Roseanne Muscarella directly at 860-823-3734 with any questions.

Thank you to my assistant, Jacquie Barbarossa and the Mayor's Secretary, Bonnie Cuprak for hosting a tour for a class of students from Norwich Public Schools, Kelly Steam Magnet Middle School on Friday, October 25th.

The City's Halloween Strut was well attended for the third year in a row, staff would like to thank all volunteers, sponsors, and fellow city employees for their efforts to make the event a great success.