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To: Mayor Hinchey and members of the City Council
From: John Salomone, City Manager
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The Mayor and I continue our weekly meetings.

I attended the Peace Pole Dedication at Brown Park on September 18, 2017. The event was sponsored by the Norwich Rotary. Local dignitaries were present in addition to the Mayor and several Council members.

I held my monthly staff meeting with Department Heads on September 19, 2017. There was discussion on the budget.

Presentations were held for the Norwich Debt Program Municipal Advisory Services. Our previous advisor, William Blair & Co. exited the public finance business in July 2017. Seven proposals were reviewed by staff and Phoenix Advisors was chosen. Phoenix Advisors was one of lowest priced proposals and has been the leading advisor in Connecticut in 2014-2016. Each bond issue that the City does between now and June 30, 2022 should cost the City approximately \$5,000 less in fees than we have been paying for the past few years.

My assistant, Jacquie Barbarossa welcomed 3 classes from the Integrated Day Charter School on September 21st. Three separate tours of the building were given. The students were extremely impressed with Council Chambers and enjoyed posing for photos in council seats.

Plans for *Light Up City Hall* are in the works and the event will be held on the *First Friday*, December 1st this year.

Staff and I meet with Chief Pat Daley regarding capital improvements.

Norwich Human Services and Youth and Family Services have completed their moves and are up and running. Five open houses have been held at 80 Broadway with the last scheduled for October 3rd. There have been several inquiries and proposals are due October 20th, 2017.