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**To:** Mayor Nystrom and members of the City Council  
**From:** John Salomone, City Manager  
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I attended the Mayor's Economic Meeting, the monthly Southeastern CT Council of Governments (SCCOG) and South Eastern Area Transit (SEAT) meetings. Staff and I met with consultants for the CT Department of Transportation who are working with SCCOG for a Regional Strategic Safety Plan. Each municipality will have a section within the report which will focus on Crash Data and Statistics from the UCONN Crash Repository, highlighting intersections and corridors in the city where there are safety concerns. This report will help to prioritize projects and seek funding. There will be about 50 locations selected in the final plan, with recommendations for improvements to serve as a companion to the SCCOG Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Norwich was the first meeting in the region and the report will take approximately a year to produce.

Swearing-in Ceremonies were held for Lieutenant Christopher Callaway, Sergeant Ryan Kelsey, and Sergeant Kyle Besse. Congratulations to all of them and continued success with the Norwich Police Force. I also received notice from the U.S. Department of Justice for Norwich Police assistance in the indictment of a Norwich man on firearm and drug offenses.

Congratulations to Comptroller, Josh Pothier and staff. The City of Norwich has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR).

*Property Revaluation Information Sessions* will be held on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am - 9:00 am and at 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm in Room 335 at City Hall. The sessions are free and open to the public and I invite you to attend and learn how the Revaluation process works. City Assessor, Donna Ralston and Assessment Analyst William Lee will explain and clarify the revaluation process.

Thank you to the Norwich Summer Jam Youth Group that removed trash from the Norwich Heritage Walkway as part of their community give back program. The event was organized by Bully Busters and Norwich Youth and Family Services.

The City's Lock Box tax payments for the month of July were 4,334 payments totaling \$7,144,779.34. Payments at Norwich People's Bank branches during July increased 67.6% from 2018 with 1,517 payments totaling \$1,777,320.13 of tax revenue.

My Assistant, Jacquie Barbarossa created an *Event Planning Guide* with the steps that need to be taken to assist individuals when planning an event in the City. The one page guide is now on the City Manager and Public Works pages on the City's website. Attached is a copy for your review.