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To: Mayor Nystrom and members of the City Council
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Meetings attended included, State representatives and legislators, Southeastern Council of Governments (SCCOG), Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA) Investment Meeting, NPU-City Coordination Meeting, NCDC Board Meeting, and Harbor Management Commission. I have met with the Chiefs three times in the past few months and meetings will be scheduled for the 3rd or 4th Wednesdays of the month. We are currently discussing the dispatch and radio projects, which I will report to Public Safety and forward the information to the Council.

City staff, Bond Council, financial and investment advisors, and I presented a public informational on the analysis of the City's pension funding obligation on June 29th in Council Chambers. The informational session on Pension Obligation Bonds, presentation slides and frequently asked questions is available on the City's website under the Finance Department's web page at <https://www.norwichct.org/pob> Ordinances will be coming back to the Council for consideration in August.

July tax bills are now due and payments can be paid until August 2nd, 2021 without interest. The Tax Office is open Monday through Friday and no appointment is needed. Payments can be paid in person, online, through the mail or at any Norwich People's United Bank.

Mohegan Park beach opened on June 24th and has been busy on the hotter days. The Recreation Department is still taking registrations for youth swim lessons and summer day camp. All other programs and activities start July 6th, which include karate, tumbling, basketball, flag football, tennis clinics along with fishing and fencing. Parks and playgrounds are very busy and being used daily by the community.

Norwich Youth and Family Services has enrolled 120 youth into summer jobs in the CT Youth Employment Program. This will give them a sound foundation in workplace skills while helping local businesses.

Griffin Health held COVID-19 vaccination clinics at City Hall on July 1st, 2nd & 6th and will be at City Hall again from July 28th to 30th. They will also be offering free vaccines at Spaulding Pond in July and August.

Thank you to the Norwich Events Organization for the annual fireworks celebration held on July 5th, which was enjoyed by thousands.

The 2021 Summer Concert series starts July 7th at Dodd Stadium. Thank you to the Greater Norwich Area Chamber of Commerce and sponsors.