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To: Mayor Nystrom and members of the City Council
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Meetings attended were with State representatives and legislators, Southeastern Council of Governments (SCCOG), Conference of Municipalities (CCM), Region 4 Emergency support Plan, Public Safety and NPU-City Coordination meeting.

Representatives from Norwich Emergency Management, CT Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, Small Business Administration and FEMA toured properties in Norwich that experienced flooding damage from Hurricane Ida. Approximately, 45 residential and business properties were surveyed in person for damage. The tours were conducted as required by FEMA to verify initial assessment of damage with hopes of receiving a FEMA disaster declaration for Norwich. Unfortunately, New London County may fall shy on the total number of properties that have sustained what FEMA classifies as major damage. Mark Waters, Deputy Emergency Management Director is still working with FEMA and will advise those affected.

The City received our Members Equity Distribution check for \$57,090 from Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA). CIRMA is the only carrier that returns equity back to its members – not shareholders.

Norwich Human Services has completed over a 1000 Renters Rebate applications for Elderly and Disabled residents. All divisions of NHS are in the process of administering the ARP funds as detailed in the council resolution.

The Recreation Department Trunk or Treat event will be held Friday, October 22nd at 6 pm at the Rose City Sr. Center. They are still looking for volunteers and decorated trunks for this fun safe family event. Please call the Recreation Department at 860-823-3791 for more information.

The Senior Center along with Uncas health held its first Pfizer COVID-19 booster shot clinic on Thursday, October 14th. Clinics will run weekly on Thursdays during the month of October.

City Clerk, Betsy Barrett, and Executive Assistant, Jacquie Barbarossa led a group of out of town individuals on the "Norwich City Hall Facts and Folklore" tour on Tuesday October 5th as part of the 31st annual "Walktober". It was good to be able to have in-person tours again after Covid-19 restrictions where loosened. Norwich and the surrounding area still have several walks planned through the end of October.

The Registrar's Office would like to inform voters in Precinct 6 that this year's polling place will be in the community room of AHEPA-110, at 370 Hamilton Avenue. Voters in this area have been notified by mail. Feel free to contact the Registrar's office at 860-823-3754 for any additional questions.

I have attached the Fire Chiefs report that was presented at the October Public Safety meeting, Treasurer's Report for quarter end June 30th and the reports from City Departments, NCDC and Otis Library for quarter ending September 30, 2021.