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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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I attended a meeting at the Reid & Hughes site with the Mayor, staff, Senior Project Manager, Christine Rodgers of the Women's Institute and Jason Ziegler, owner of the Shannon Building. Work is progressing ahead of schedule. I attended the monthly Public Safety Meeting and also a recap meeting of the Emergency Planning & Preparedness Hurricane Drill that was held in June. At the EPPI meeting, staff and I reviewed and discussed comments from department heads and exterior agencies that participated in the drill and updated the plan to create a safer community in the event of a weather emergency.

I received notification from the CT State Library Office of the Public Records Administrator, that the Clerk's Office has received a Historic Documents Preservation Grant in the amount of \$6,500. This will allow the Clerk's office to preserve an additional 60 books/volumes from years 1964 and prior.

Tax payments are being accepted at the Norwich People's Bank branches during the month of July. The bank is also handling the lockbox payments which allows the City to invest the funds within 24 hours of payment processing. This has also resulted in shorter wait times for individuals paying in person at City Hall. As of Tuesday July, 10th, 1064 envelopes have been processed which could include more than 1 tax payment (ie: real estate & car) for a total of \$1,342,161.09 and 148 individual payments at the branches totaling \$147,911.99.

The Harbor Management Commission has created a survey to get input and set priorities for managing the Norwich Harbor. A press release was sent to the local papers and a link to the survey is on the City's website. I invite citizens to take a few moments to complete the survey. The results will be presented at a public meeting later this summer.

I have received notice from the U.S Department of Justice regarding the investigation work of the Norwich Police Department. Their work has led to the imprisonment of a drug dealer who distributed narcotics to a Norwich overdose victim last year. Thank you to the officers that assisted in this case.

Thank you to the Norwich Fireworks Committee and sponsors of the annual July celebration. Thousands of people filled Brown Park and the marina to enjoy the festivities and view the fireworks.

I have attached the Department Heads Reports for quarter ending June 30, 2018.