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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 the monthly Public Safety and CCM Board meetings and also the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant (2021) presentations that were held at the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments. The Planning Department is hopeful for this grant opportunity for this project to improve sidewalks, ADA accessibility, and to provide almost 3 miles of bicycle facilities for the section of New London Turnpike from Norwichtown to Melrose Park Road.

The Mayor and I, along with Alderwoman Gould, Alderman Sam Browning, met with Superintendent Abby Dolliver and staff regarding their budget shortfall.

I attended the Norwich Public Utilities and CT Department of Public Health groundbreaking ceremony to mark the start of construction for an emergency interconnection water line that will serve the Town of Sprague. This unique partnership will provide NPU with additional state resources while allowing the town of Sprague to avoid the cost of installing the water line on its own. Additional information regarding the 3.2 million regional project that will benefit both communities is on the NPU website.

I also had the pleasure of attending the National League of Cities (NLC) Risk information Sharing Consortium (RISC) Trustees Conference Agenda. The featured speaker was Christine Hunschofsky the Mayor of Parkland Florida. Her welcome "Leading through Crisis: Being Mayor at the time of the Parkland Shooting" was extremely informative and moving.

The City acknowledged Peace Officers Memorial Day on May 15th. Flags were flown at half-staff and the Norwich Police wore black bands in memory of those officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Since the first known line-of-duty death in 1786, more than 21,000 U.S. law enforcement officers have made the ultimate sacrifice. Thank you to those that serve.

The City Hall Union contract was ratified and is in effect until June 30, 2022 and the Public Works contract is in the final stage of ratification.

Artwork that was received from the China Artists Association as a cultural exchange and act of appreciation to the City is now on display on the 3rd floor in the main hallway. I invite you to take a look at the pieces currently on display.

