

To: Mayor and Common Council

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CITY MANAGER REPORT:

Airport arrivals and Tribal Village Conference call: The airport arrival numbers are around 280+/- per week. The NSHC is rolling out electronic forms at Ted Stevens for both the city and the hospital. The goal is to reduce city staffing to two city staff at Nome's airport per day.

The village call at 11am continues every day.

Governor Dunleavy: Mayor Handeland, Bryant and I were invited to a last minute teleconference call with Governor Dunleavy to discuss the COVID-19 response by the City of Nome. He asked what help could be provided by state. As you may have seen in news reports, Governor Dunleavy believes the boroughs and cities are empowered to battle this virus under local rules.

Public Safety Advisory Commission: The Commission was scheduled to meet but failed to muster a quorum. I am trying to schedule another meeting before I leave for vacation.

Police Staffing: The City has begun an aggressive process for recruitment. Advertising on local media, to statewide and national sites such as indeed.com. Staff is developing an advertisement and asking tribal organizations to advertise it amongst their members.

General Vanherck: Instead of the proposed visit by General Vanherck of NorCom to Nome, the General teleconferenced with the Mayor, Joy, the General's staff and the Corp of Engineers to discuss the Port of Nome. Joy provided information and a power point on what the proposed expansion project would mean for economic development and the needs of the Navy and the Coast Guard.

Public Works: The hitch for the new snow blower has finally arrived and has been installed.

CARES Act funding Phase 4: The applications are out with a due date of November 13th at 5pm. As of this date the city has one application.

Bids due: The city received two bids for the Anodes replacement for the port. The city will be opening one bid for the sale of property.

Staff meeting with Police: Mike Heintzelman invited me to a "roll call"/ staff meeting to discuss issues and concerns in the NPD and how to address them. The officers are very appreciative about the equipment they have received over the past year. Many of the officer concerns were about the lack of community support in some segments of the community and how it could be addressed. This has been a tough year for the NPD and the PC and I will be addressing some of these issues the council.