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Dear Resident,

As another summer begins to wind down, I am excited to share with you some updates on the Township's on-going projects and future endeavors. One of the best ways to stay informed on upcoming West Deptford events and future projects is to follow us on our social media platforms which include Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and signing up for our weekly email blast.

Our 2022 Municipal Budget was adopted per NJ Statute and includes zero municipal tax increase. The budget continues to build on the strong financial framework that has been established in recent years. The budget has funds allocated for Police, Public Works, Recreation, Water and Sewer Utility and our newly established West Deptford Fire Department which consists of stipend volunteer and part-time staffing which provide 24/7, 365 staffed coverage, ensuring the safety of our residents.

I am also excited to announce that the Township has recently eliminated the fee associated with our residential dumpster program. This program now offers residents the opportunity to reserve a 10-yard dumpster, and have it delivered to their home at no cost.

Through responsible financial management we have been able to complete various projects with no municipal tax increase. A few key projects are listed below:

- Various recreational improvements including Township wide revitalization of all pocket parks, the addition of pickle ball courts to West Deptford Park, and the recently announced renovation of Rivergate Park
- Jessup Water Tower refurbishment and repainting
- Infrastructure & stormwater improvements including new pedestrian crosswalks on Jessup Road and Harker & Hessian drainage improvements.
- Roadway repaving to Storrie Ave, Red Bank Ct., Hudson Avenue, Jessup Road, Hillside & River Road, & Harker Avenue

As a lifelong resident of West Deptford, my initial year as mayor has been very rewarding. I am extremely proud of the position that West Deptford is currently in, and I look forward to continuing to place the residents of West Deptford first.

I hope everyone has a great remainder of their year. We look forward to seeing you at West Deptford Township Fun Day and our upcoming Fall events. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Kindest Regards,

James P. Mehaffey, Mayor