

**TO:** Mayor Althoff and City Council

**FROM:** Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

**SUBJECT:** Night to Unite / National Night Out

**DATE:** June 26, 2019

**BACKGROUND**

Night to Unite/National Night Out (NtU/NNO) is the first Tuesday of August. The Cannon Falls Police Department has been organizing this event locally for over fifteen years. It is an opportunity for neighbors to get together with neighbors. Cannon Falls Police Officers along with the Ambulance and Fire Department visit the NtU/NNO parties to visit with the kids and adults. This has been a great opportunity for people to get to know neighbors better and members of the City's emergency services.

However, that is also the same night as the normally scheduled Council Meeting. I am making a request for the City Council to either cancel or reschedule the August 6, 2019 City Council Meeting, and instead attend NtU/NNO parties with the emergency services staff. The parties typically run between 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. We can arrange for Council Members to ride along and attend the parties.

**REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

Consider canceling or rescheduling the August 6, 2019 City Council Meeting to allow Council Members interested in attending NtU/NNO neighborhood parties with the officers and other emergency services staff.