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I just wanted to reach out to you all and express how proud I am of the personnel that were on duty to deal with repercussions of the Helene. Most of them worked extra long hours and moved around to wherever they were needed. We had officers extracting people that were trapped in their homes, Detective Brown went out and purchased a chain saw to help cut trees, Frazier, Arflin, Greer brought their personal chainsaws in to help amongst the many other officers that went above and beyond. Some of those same officers sustained their own personal loses as a result of this storm. Chief is working closely with the to assist wherever we can.

Several private citizens donated their time and resources to help us out in the city. While officers were dealing with those issues, command staff members answered calls for service. Dispatch worked very hard logging troubled areas and directing crews toward the areas most in need.

While officers were still dealing with this on Saturday, they also had to deal with the influx of 80k visitors. It was not an easy time for anyone however we pulled together as a city and will be back stronger than ever. It appears as if we have to do what is best for us as a city bc we are alone in this thing.

I am not sure if we have plans to recognize anyone but if we do, I can compile a list.

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