

#### VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

June 5, 2020

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from

May 29, 2020 – June 4, 2020. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov)

## <u>INCIDENTS</u>

Suspicious Event 20-004429

Ceret Court, SW

Between December 20, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. and February 14 at 11:59 p.m.

A resident reported that her teenage daughter received inappropriate messages from an adult through social media.

Fraud 20-004315 Suntrust Bank 515 Maple Avenue, East February 18 12:00 p.m.

A bank employee reported fraudulent activity on one of their customer's accounts.

Petit Larceny 20-004328 Bazin's On Church 111 Church Street, NW Between May 18 at 6:00 a.m. and May 24 at 7:30 p.m.

A resident reported her two bicycles were taken from outside of the side entrance to the restaurant.

#### Destruction of Property 20-004210 1000 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW

#### May 25 between 12:01 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person has been stomping on her American flags that line the sidewalk in front of her house. The resident placed a small section of fencing around the flags to protect them. However, the person then broke the fence, and pushed over the flag.

Domestic Dispute 20-004353 Patrick Street, SE May 31 1:09 a.m.

A resident reported a domestic dispute with his adult son.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 20-004376 Nutley Street and Commons Drive, NW June 1 6:50 a.m.

Officers responded to the area for the report of a suspicious person. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

PFC Post arrested the 33-year-old man from Mariner Drive in Arnold, Maryland. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and was charged with Drunk In Public.

Fraud 20-004383 Interstate Drive, Mayflower, Arizona June 1 10:00 a.m.

A citizen reported that one of their company's checks was fraudulently duplicated and deposited into a Navy Federal Credit Union account. The fraudulent activity did not happen within the Town of Vienna. The citizen was instructed to make the report to their local police department.

Civil Dispute 20-004389 PNC Bank 353Maple Avenue, East June 1 2:09 p.m.

An Uber driver reported that he drove a man and woman from Loudoun County to the bank in Vienna. The driver had another passenger waiting for him to pick up at that location. The couple had a dispute with the driver whom they wanted to take them to another location, but he refused because he had another passenger waiting. Initially, the woman became irate and refused to get out of the vehicle. The couple left the area before officers arrived.

Natural Death 20-004394 300 Block Nutley Street, NW June 1 10:18 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with an unresponsive woman in her home. It was determined that the elderly woman, who suffered from medical issues, was deceased.

# Arrest – Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle and Narcotics Violation 20-004401 1000 Block Cottage Street, SW

June 2 between 2:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m.

A resident reported that his adult brother stole a cell phone, a wallet, and his father's vehicle. The man left the vehicle abandoned on Route 66, where it was towed by Virginia State Police. PFC Williams located the man walking in the area of Cottage Street and James Drive, SW, and placed him under arrest. The man had in his possession the stolen phone and wallet, in addition to narcotics.

PFC Williams transported the man to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. He was charged with Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle and Possession of Schedule IV Drugs.

Welfare Check 20-004405 400 Block Blair Road, NW June 2 12:32 P.M.

Officers responded for a welfare check on a juvenile who was making concerning statements to a friend. MPO Lose spoke to the juvenile who was upset. He agreed to go with his father to an area medical facility for evaluation.

Suspicious Event 20-004413 Vienna Town Green 144 Maple Avenue, East June 2 7:47 p.m.

A citizen reported that someone posted a suspicious flyer on a utility pole near the bike trail. Throughout the night, officers found several other flyers that were placed on Town property without permission.

Suspicious Person 20-004438 Wolftrap Hotel 430 Maple Avenue, West June 3 11:50 a.m.

An employee with Paisano's Pizza reported that a former employee approached a Paisano's delivery driver and spoke his opinion of the restaurant. Since his termination from the restaurant, the former employee has also had other incidents where he has acted suspiciously toward the restaurant staff.

Found Property 20-004437 Vienna Community Center 120 Cherry Street, SW June 3 12:55 p.m.

A citizen found fitness equipment on the sidewalk near the ball fields.

Found Property 20-004441 Bike Trail near 120 Cherry Street, SE June 3 9:01 p.m.

A citizen turned in a car key that they found on the bike trail.

Welfare Check 20-004442 Vienna Town Green 144 Maple Avenue, East June 3 10:46 p.m.

A citizen reported that she gave a man her phone number during the rally at the Town Green earlier in the day. The man began texting concerning messages to the citizen. Officers located the man at the Town Green. The man was with a friend and both stated that he did not need any police assistance. Since it was after dark, the men were asked to leave the park and they complied.

Runaway 20-004443 500 Block Kingsley Road, SW June 4 12:48 a.m.

A resident reported that his juvenile daughter ran away from home. Officers and the resident located the juvenile at the home of one of her friends.

#### **CRASHES**

400 Block Maple Avenue, West 20-004321

May 29 12:50 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 was exiting the lot of 431 Maple Avenue and was struck by Vehicle-2.

## 169 Glyndon Street, SE 20 004324 May 29 1:00 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was northbound on Glyndon Street, SE, turning left into the parking lot of 169 Glyndon Street. Vehicle-1 was exiting the parking lot to turn left onto Glyndon Street. Vehicle-1 struck the rear corner of Vehicle-2. Vehicle-1 fled the scene without stopping.

## 300 Block Knoll Street, NW 20-004326

May 29 3:34 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Knoll Street, approaching Windover Avenue. Vehicle-1 was backing out of a driveway on Knoll Street and struck Vehicle-2 as it was passing.

## CASE UPDATES

None

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.

Executive Order 65 took effect today and remains in effect until amended or rescinded by Governor Northam. The Northern Virginia Region remains in Phase One under this order.

 $\underline{https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/governor-of-virginia/pdf/eo/EO-\underline{65-Phase-Two.pdf}}$ 

## <u>MEDIA RELEASES</u>



# Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

## **Operations Modifications in Response to COVID-19**

March 18, 2020

In the interest of public safety for our residents, businesses, and visitors, the Vienna Police Department has modified its operations to increase social distancing and reduce the chance of spreading the COVID-19 virus.

This modified operation entails taking certain police reports for relatively minor and non-violent crimes by telephone. These will be cases where there is no need for evidence collection, not a crime in progress, but the incident still needs to be documented.

If you are calling to file a police report, Communications personnel will ask you questions to help determine if your call meets the criteria for a telephone follow-up and if so, you may be advised that an officer will call you back to assess the need to respond in person or complete the report via telephone. If you feel that an officer is required, you may make that request, and an officer will respond. The incident report over the telephone will go into the same records management system and will be tracked the same as if an officer responded.

If a police officer responds to your location, please be prepared to step outside to meet the officer to encourage social distancing and avoid the spread of the virus.

By using telephone reporting, you will help us limit exposure. We thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to maintain our mission of providing a safe community for all of our citizens, businesses, and visitors.

Out of an abundance of caution, we have also suspended some low priority services, which include: Ride-Along, PIO public engagements, VIN verifications, and child safety seats installations. Access to our police lobby will be restricted to immediate police assistance only. We do encourage our citizens to call the police department with questions at 703-255-6366 instead of visiting our lobby.

The Vienna Police Department continues to remain staffed, operational, and ready to respond to all emergencies, in-progress incidents, and priority calls. Day and night patrols remain at full strength, so you should not hesitate to call for assistance.

The process of handling some calls for service over the phone and limiting other services is temporary and will be continually reevaluated in the coming weeks.

Thank You, Chief Jim Morris



## Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

#### Reminder

## **Prevention of Stolen Vehicles/Vehicle Tamperings**

With the advent of warmer weather, the Town of Vienna Police Department would like to remind all Town of Vienna residents to secure their vehicles and personal belongings. Recently there have been several vehicle tamperings to include stolen vehicles from Vienna and the neighboring jurisdictions.

The Vienna Police Department would like to remind citizens of the following steps to assist in the prevention of your vehicle being tampered with or stolen:

#### Lock your Car Doors.

The majority of the vehicles being entered and/or stolen have been unlocked.

#### Remove all Valuables.

In most cases, the subjects responsible for these acts have been targeting vehicles which contain valuables such as, but not limited to, laptop computers, GPS's, pocketbooks/purses, loose change, cameras, etc. If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, please be sure to conceal the items, in the trunk, under the seats or use any other means to make them undetectable. Also, make sure to record all serial numbers, and if possible, engrave them or permanently mark the items with easily identifiable markings, in the event the items are recovered.

#### Remove all Keys.

The subjects who commit these crimes are aware that most new vehicles come with valet keys. Most of these keys are kept inside the vehicles, either in the center consoles, or the glove compartments or other areas easily accessible. In some instances the owners have left their keys rings containing their house keys, providing access to their homes.

#### **Report Suspicious Activity**

In some cases, the subjects have been observed wearing several layers of clothing, not consistent with the weather conditions. This is used to conceal stolen items and also to make identification difficult as they will shed layers of clothing as they flee the area when they suspect they have been observed committing a crime.

The Town of Vienna Police Department is dedicated to the safety and protection of all persons and property in the Town of Vienna. However, much of our success comes from the assistance of its concerned and observant residents.

\*\*A reminder to secure your vehicles and remove all valuables! \*\*
Even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway, please secure all windows and doors and remove all valuables.



## **CITIZEN NOTES**

#### **Vienna Police Department Construction Project Updates**

Updates about the police department construction project will be posted regularly to the "Police Department Renovation" page, located under the Police Department section, at **viennava.gov**, or follow the below link.

\*\* As we move forward with designing and ultimately constructing a new facility, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. To begin that effort a link has been established on the police department page of the Town of Vienna website (<a href="https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225">https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225</a>), and we will be providing regular updates about the process in these Highlights.

Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something! We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.