

# VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

**September 24, 2021** 

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from September 17, 2021 to September 23, 2021. 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)

On July 1, 2021, citizens will be able to access Community Policing data via <a href="https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h">https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h</a>. The Vienna Police Department had started complying with this state law in July of 2020. The portal will contain all non-consensual investigatory stops made by the Vienna Police Departments and other law enforcement agencies in the commonwealth.

#### **Car Thefts and Tamperings**

The National Capital Area and specifically the Northern Virginia area, has seen increased vehicle tampering incidents and vehicle thefts. In some incidents, suspects entered homes through unlocked doors and open garage doors to steal property and keys to vehicles. The suspects then used the vehicle keys to gain entry into vehicles and use them to get away. The Vienna Police Department would like to remind our community members to please stay vigilant, close, and lock all doors of residences and garages to prevent criminals from targeting your property.

If you see suspicious activity or persons, we ask that you notify the police department at 703-255-6366 or, in case of an emergency 9-1-1.

# **INCIDENTS**

Fraud 21-005565

**Navy Federal Credit Union** 

820 Follin Lane, SE

Between March 10 at 8:00 a.m. and March 15 at 8:00 a.m.

A citizen reported that someone fraudulently withdrew money from his bank account.

Fraud 21-005558

1100 Block Pekay Street, SW

Between September 8 at 8:20 a.m. and September 22 at 8:20 a.m.

A resident reported that she ordered tickets to a football game through a social media site. The resident sent payments online through Zelle before realizing that the transaction was fraudulent.

Fraud 21-005428

1400 Block Desale Street, SW

September 13 2:00 a.m.

An Uber driver reported that someone hacked his work account and gained access to his Uber earnings.

Found Property 21-005424

Maple Avenue and East Street, SE

September 16 9:18 a.m.

A citizen found a wallet in the crosswalk.

Vandalism 21-005445

500 Block Maple Avenue, West

September 17 10:59 a.m.

A citizen reported graffiti on a utility pole.

Telephone Case 21-005456

300 Block Tapawingo Road, SW

September 17 8:48 p.m.

A person began corresponding with a resident over social media regarding rental property. The person then began sending obscene photos and videos to the resident.

**Domestic Dispute 21-005479** 

**Upham Place, NW** 

September 18 7:25 p.m.

Officers responded to a domestic dispute between a resident and her adult son. The son left the home before the officers arrived.

## Suspicious Person 21-005485 1100 Block Fairway Drive, NE September 18 11:50 p.m.

A resident reported that a man was banging on his door. The man left the area before officers arrived. The resident believes the man may have been looking for one of his relatives regarding a civil matter.

Suspicious Vehicle 21-005492 Cunningham Park Elementary School 1001 Park Street, SE September 19 3:07 a.m.

An officer observed a suspicious vehicle in the parking lot of the school. The vehicle was occupied by a man and woman. The couple was warned about trespassing on school property.

Attempted Burglary 21-005493 100 Block Wade Hampton Drive, SW September 19 3:30 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of an attempted burglary where someone attempted to gain entry into a home through the front door. Officers searched the area and found that Fairfax County Police were working a burglary that had just occurred in their jurisdiction involving the same person. A short time later, Fairfax County Police located the two men in the 300 block of Nutley Street, SW, took them into custody, and escorted the men back to one of their stations for interviews. Vienna Police and Fairfax County Police continue to investigate this case.

## Emotionally Disturbed Person 21-005509 500 Block Church Street, NE September 19 9:20 p.m.

A citizen reported that his friend was suicidal and he believed she was in the 300 block of Maple Avenue, East. Officers searched the area and located the woman in the 500 Block of Church Street, NE. Rescue personnel responded to assist with minor injuries. The woman was transported to an area hospital for treatment and evaluation.

Suspicious Person 21-005512 Wawa 465 Maple Avenue, West September 20 12:07 a.m.

An officer observed a man acting disorderly towards the employees. The man left when the officer entered the store. The employees were advised of the process should they wish to trespass the man from the store.

Business Alarm 21-005529

**CVS** 

264 Cedar Lane, SE

September 21 12:32 a.m.

Officers responding to CVS for an alarm found the doors were secure. An employee unlocked the business for the officers to search the interior of the store. Nothing appeared out of place or missing.

Business Alarm 21-005551 INOVA Urgent Care 180 Maple Avenue, West September 21 9:40 p.m.

Officers responding to an alarm found unsecured doors to the facility. Nothing appeared to have been disturbed.

Arrest – Driving on a Revoked License 21-005552 500 Maple Avenue, West September 21 10:07 p.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. The officer determined the driver's license status was revoked.

Ofc. Crandall arrested the 33-year-old man from Gresham Lane in Centreville, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Driving on Revoked License / DWI (Driving While Intoxicated) Related.

Animal Case 21-005559 200 Block Elmar Drive, SE September 22 10:59 a.m.

Officers responding to the report of an injured deer found the animal was in grave condition and euthanized it.

Grand Larceny 21-005563 Southside Park 1317 Ross Drive, SW September 22 1:41 p.m.

A Town of Vienna Parks and Recreation employee reported that someone broke into a shed belonging to the Vienna Girls Softball League. One of the softball representatives responded and advised that a tractor was stolen from the shed.

Trespassing 21-005567 Giant Food 359 Maple Avenue, East September 22 6:23 p.m.

An employee reported that a man who has been shoplifting from them was back in the store. Officers spoke to the man with the employee and trespassed him from the store.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 21-005596 Valley Drive, SE September 23 9:40 p.m.

A resident reported that an argument with her husband escalated when he assaulted her. The resident had visible signs of injury but refused rescue.

Ofc. Reed arrested the 40-year-old man from Valley Drive, SE, Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Strangulation and held without bond. An Emergency Protective Order was also served on him.

## **CRASHES**

### 218 Maple Avenue, West 21-005368

### September 14 10:45 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot. Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue, missed the turn into the shopping center, went over the curb and sidewalk, and then struck Vehicle-2.

## Maple Avenue and Park Street, NE 21-005372 September 14 3:07 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound on Park Street and proceeded into the intersection of Maple Avenue with a green traffic light. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue, went through the red traffic signal, and struck Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

# 1000 Block Cottage Street, SW 21-5499 September 19 12:54 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling northbound on Cottage Street, SW. Vehicle-2 slowed for a turning vehicle. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Following too Closely.

## 300 Block Locust Street, SE 21-5543 September 21 12:40 p.m.

Vehicle-2 (a Town of Vienna Department of Public Works truck) was legally parked and occupied on Locust Street, SE. Vehicle-1 sideswiped Vehicle-2. Driver-1 fled the area without stopping.

# 110 Pleasant Street, NW 21-005560

#### September 22 12:30 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was exiting the parking lot. Vehicle-1 was backing up from a parking space and struck Vehicle-2. Driver-1 drove out of the parking lot without stopping to provide their information.

# CASE UPDATES

None.

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

# **CITIZEN NOTES**



#### Week of September 27, 2021

- Prep and pour west slab on grade
- Basement masonry walls
- Install storm structures 13 to 16
- Start exterior wall framing on South elevation
- MEP rough-in on basement and first floor

#### Week of October 04, 2021

- Continue installing exterior wall framing
- Continue installing storm 14 to 16
- Continue installing roof trusses on main building.
- Continue working on waterproofing West foundation walls
- Complete Backfill of foundation walls
- Pour slab on grade on community room

\*\*As we move forward with the new facility's construction, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. A link has also been established on the Town of Vienna website (<a href="https://vienna.prod.govaccess.org/your-government/town-departments-at-your-service/police/police-station-construction/-fsiteid-1">https://vienna.prod.govaccess.org/your-government/town-departments-at-your-service/police/police-station-construction/-fsiteid-1</a>) for your information.



# Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

## **Operations Modifications**

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. There 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 the 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 seat 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