



## VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

September 11, 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 September 4, 2020 – September 10, 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](mailto:Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov))

**\*\*In the last few weeks, the Town of Vienna Police Department responded to multiple cases of vehicle tamperings and stolen vehicles. In almost every case, the vehicle was left unlocked and/or keys left inside. The criminals responsible for these thefts target unlocked vehicles to steal valuables, money, electronics, etc., and all it takes is them pulling on the door handle of an unlocked car. They rarely break into a locked vehicle. Vienna police officers proactively patrol all areas of the town to protect its citizens and their property and would like your assistance in curbing this crime of opportunity by removing all valuables from your vehicles, removing all keys (to include valet keys), and report suspicious activity immediately by calling 703-255-6366 or 911.\*\***

### **INCIDENTS**

**Found Property 20-006995  
Vienna Community Center  
120 Cherry Street, SE  
August 19 4:00 p.m.**

A resident found an abandoned bicycle behind the Community Center.

**Grand Larceny 20-007126**

**Wolftrap Hotel**

**430 Maple Avenue, West**

**Between September 2 at 12:00 p.m. and September 9 at 4:22 p.m.**

A man reported that his wife stole food stamp cards from him.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007128**

**Ayr Hill Avenue and Mill Street, NE**

**Between September 3 at 12:01 a.m. and September 9 at 6:00 a.m.**

A citizen reported that the catalytic converter was stolen from his box truck.

**Petit Larceny 20-007002**

**300 Block Valeview Court, NW**

**Between September 3 at 6:00 p.m. and September 4 at 12:00 p.m.**

A resident reported a bicycle was stolen from their carport.

**Suspicious Person 20-007009**

**300 Block Lewis Street, NW**

**September 4 between 9:50 p.m. and 10:27 p.m.**

A resident reported that he observed a man on his security camera approach his front porch, look in the windows, then walk away. Officers checked the area but did not find the man.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007013**

**300 Block Ayr Hill Avenue, NE**

**September 5 4:11 a.m.**

An officer was approaching a suspicious vehicle when he observed a man run from a residence and quickly get into the rear of the vehicle. The officer attempted a traffic stop but the vehicle, which was occupied by at least three men, fled the area at a high rate of speed. The officer returned to the initial area and found that two vehicles were rummaged through.

**Found Property 20-007062**

**600 Block Tazewell Road, NW**

**Between September 5 at 12:00 p.m. and September 6 at 12:00 p.m.**

A resident reported an abandoned bicycle that was left in his yard.

**Police Service 20-007018**

**200 Block Locust Street, SE**

**September 5 1:20 p.m.**

An officer responded to assist with a civil dispute between two roommates.

**Assault 20-007020**

**200 Block Locust Street, SE**

**September 5 5:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that she was assaulted by her roommate after she spilled a drink. The resident was advised of the warrant procedure should she wish to pursue charges.

**Assault 20-007025**

**200 Block Locust Street, SE**

**September 5 7:50 p.m.**

A resident reported that she was assaulted again when her roommate struck her arm. The roommate requested rescue personnel respond as she was not feeling well and needed medical assistance. The roommate was transported to an area hospital for treatment. Rescue personnel checked the residence arm and determined there was no apparent injury.

**Petit Larceny 20-007047**

**400 Block Blair Road, NW**

**Between September 5 at 10:00 p.m. and September 6 at 2:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone entered his unlocked vehicle and stole a bag that contained a camera and a key fob for the vehicle.

**Grand Larceny 20-007033**

**100 Block Pleasant Street, NW**

**Between September 5 at 11:20 p.m. and September 6 at 12:00 a.m.**

A citizen reported that her hybrid bicycle was stolen from her friend's residence.

**Found Property 20-007044**

**Cottage Street and Yeonas Drive, SW**

**September 6 11:03 a.m.**

A citizen turned in a Virginia driver's license.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007073**

**400 Block Upham Place, NW**

**Between September 6 at 7:00 p.m. and September 7 at 3:30 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone entered her unlocked vehicle and rummaged through it.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007074**

**600 Block Upham Place, NW**

**Between September 6 at 7:31 p.m. and September 7 at 3:30 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone entered their unlocked vehicle and rummaged through it.

**Petit Larceny 20-007110**

**400 Block West Street, NW**

**Between September 6 at 8:00 p.m. and September 7 at 8:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone entered their unlocked vehicle and stole a cup of coins and music CDs.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007067**

**600 Block Upham Place, NW**

**Between September 6 at 8:00 p.m. and September 7 at 10:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone entered his unlocked vehicle and rummaged through it.

**Petit Larceny 20-007053**

**600 Block John Marshall Drive, NW**

**Between September 6 at 9:30 p.m. and September 7 at 8:30 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone rummaged through her unlocked vehicle and stole U.S. currency.

**Petit Larceny 20-007061**

**600 Block Upham Place, NW**

**Between September 6 at 11:00 p.m. and September 7 at 7:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone entered her unlocked vehicle and stole U.S. currency.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007058**

**500 Block Colony Court, NW**

**September 7 between 12:30 a.m. and 9:50 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone rummaged through his unlocked vehicle.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007055**

**500 Colony Court, NW**

**September 7 between 3:08 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone rummaged through his unlocked vehicle.

**Vehicle Tampering 20-007057**

**500 Block Colony Court, NW**

**September 7 between 3:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone rummaged through her unlocked vehicle.

**Animal Case 20-007052**

**300 Block Park Street, NE**

**September 7 8:03 a.m.**

A resident reported that they caught a bat inside their residence. An officer transported the bat to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter for rabies testing. On September 9, the Fairfax County Health Department advised that the test results on the bat came back as negative for rabies.

**Found Property 20-007054**

**100 Block Courthouse Road, SW**

**September 7 8:59 a.m.**

An officer found a keyring with two keys and a key fob.

**Animal Case 20-7060**

**500 Block Yeonas Drive, SW**

**September 7 10:17 a.m.**

A resident reported an injured raccoon in his yard. The officer determined that the animal was in grave condition and euthanized the animal.

**Fraud 20-007075**

**300 Block Owaissa Road, SE**

**September 7 between 11:33 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone called them claiming to be from AT&T, obtained account information, and purchased an iPhone using their account.

**Civil Matter 20-007066**

**400 Block Troy Court, SE**

**September 7 11:52 a.m.**

Two men came from out of town to assist in clearing out their deceased father's home. One of the men became intoxicated and threw a filing cabinet down the stairs, scaring his brother. All parties agreed to stop sorting out the belongings for the day and wait for the executor to assist the following day.

**Domestic Dispute 20-007080**

**Glyndon Lane, SE**

**September 7 10:24 p.m.**

An officer responded to a domestic dispute between a husband and wife who are in the process of divorce. The two agreed to keep their distance from one another.

**Illegal Dumping 20-007117**

**400 Block Maple Avenue, East**

**September 8 11:14 p.m.**

Officers responded to the report of someone illegally disposing of paint cans. The individuals left the area before officers arrived. Several cans of paint were left by the side of the road. Public Works was notified to properly dispose of the cans.

**Suspicious Event 20-007140**

**200 Block Locust Street, SE**

**September 10 1:10 p.m.**

A resident reported that her phone is missing and she believes her roommate may have taken it.

**Fraud 20-007143**

**300 Block Ayr Hill Avenue, NE**

**September 10 between 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.**

A resident received a call from someone claiming to be with the Social Security Administration advising her that there was a warrant for her arrest for Social Security violations. The resident then received a second call from who she believed was the Vienna Police Department handling the case. The original caller instructed the resident to go to three different banks where she removed money from her accounts and deposited it into a Bitcoin ATM. The resident later came to the Vienna Police Department where she was advised that this was a scam.

**Grand Larceny 20-007146**

**Ace Massage**

**301 Maple Avenue, West, Suite D**

**September 10 6:55 p.m.**

An employee reported that she was in one of the back rooms when a man came into the business, walked around the desk, went through drawers, and stole the employee's purse. Someone later tried unsuccessfully to use one of the employee's credit cards at 7-11, 537 Maple Avenue, West.

**CRASHES**

**100 Block Patrick Street, SE 20-0070115**

**September 4 4:00 a.m.**

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on the roadway. When the driver returned, he found his vehicle was struck by an unknown vehicle.

**400 Block Mill Street, NE 20-006993**

**September 4 12:40 p.m.**

Vehicle-2 was legally stopped along the west side curb on Mill Street. Vehicle-1 was traveling past Vehicle-2 and struck the vehicle's mirror.

**Maple Avenue near East Street, NE 20-006996**

**September 4 4:20 p.m.**

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in the same lane of traffic approaching the intersection with East Street. The traffic light turned green and Vehicle-2 began to move forward, then stopped in traffic. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

**300 Block Park Street, SE 20-007038**

**September 6 10:05 a.m.**

Two vehicles were traveling northbound on Park Street. Vehicle-2 stopped for pedestrians in the crosswalk. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

**Lawyers Road and Church Street, NW 20-007121**

**September 9 3:54 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was stopped at the stop sign, eastbound on Church Street at Lawyers Road. Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Lawyers Road approaching the intersection. Vehicle-1 entered the intersection and was struck by Vehicle-2.

**300 Block Courthouse Road, SW 20-007123**

**September 9 4:43 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Courthouse Road when the driver lost control on the wet roadway. The vehicle went over the curb and into a fence.

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

**Nutley Street and Marshall Road, SW 20-007124**

**September 10 4:38 p.m.**

Two vehicles were stopped at a red light in the same lane of traffic on Nutley Street at Marshall Road. As the light turned green, Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

**Maple Avenue and Nutley Street, NW 20-007138**

**September 10 10:56 a.m.**

Two vehicles were in adjacent lanes on Nutley Street, South, turning left to go westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 (a large crane type vehicle) was in the inside lane. Vehicle-2 was in the outside lane. Due to its size, Vehicle-1 was making a wide turn and struck Vehicle-2.

**CASE UPDATES**

None.

Please contact **Ruth Rohr** for further information on any of these cases at [Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov](mailto:Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov) or 703-255-6324.

**VIRGINIA ENTERS PHASE THREE OF GOV. RALPH NORTHAM'S FORWARD VIRGINIA**

For more information, navigate to <https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus-updates/>



## **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 that 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](http://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 (<https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225>), 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.**