



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

July 23, 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 July 16, 2021 – July 22, 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 <https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h>. 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 the case of an emergency 9-1-1

INCIDENTS

Suspicious Event 21-003767

Walgreens

225 Maple Avenue, East

July 13 12:00 p.m.

A manager reported that a man was calling the store, attempting to get information regarding an employee's schedule. The man was upset when they refused to provide the information to him.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 21-003775

Council Drive, NE

July 15 9:06 a.m.

A resident reported that she and her husband were having an argument when he physically assaulted her.

MPO Tremont arrested the 53-year-old man from Council Drive, NE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Domestic Assault and an Emergency Protective Order was served on him.

Natural Death 21-003786

600 Block Marshall Road, SW

July 15 9:00 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a resident who suffered from medical issues and was found deceased in his home.

Animal Case 21-003785

600 Block John Marshall Drive, NE

July 15 9:38 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of a dog that was running at large and became stuck between the fences of two homes. With the assistance of a resident, the dog was freed. When attempts to locate the dog's owner were unsuccessful, the officer transported the dog to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter.

Alarm 21-003822

112 Pleasant Street, NW, Suite D

July 17 11:43 a.m.

Officers responding to an alarm found an open door to the building. The business was searched and nothing appeared to have been disturbed.

Grand Larceny 21-003826

Caboose Brewery

520 Mill Street, NE

July 17 12:59 p.m.

A citizen reported that they parked their bicycle on the bike rack and went to the brewery. When they returned a short time later, the bicycle had been stolen.

Destruction of Property 21-003873

100 Block Patrick Street, SE

Between July 17 at 6:00 p.m. and July 19 at 7:00 a.m.

A resident reported that he left his moped legally parked on the roadway. When he returned to the moped, he found that someone moved it to the grassy area behind the shopping center. The unknown person also caused significant damage to the moped.

Animal Case 21-003915

Banfield Pet Hospital

414 Maple Avenue, East

July 18 5:00 p.m.

On July 22, the Health Department notified ACO Barker that a technician at the pet hospital was scratched by a cat during a procedure.

Vehicle Tampering 21-003867

100 Block Casmar Street, SE

Between July 18 at 9:00 p.m. and July 19 at 8:25 a.m.

A resident reported that someone entered his vehicle and stole his wallet.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 21-003864

300 Block Maple Avenue, East

July 19 4:20 a.m.

Officers responded to the area of Maple Avenue and Follin Lane for the report of a vehicle stopped in the middle of the road. MPO Borja observed the vehicle, no longer stopped but traveling below the speed limit. The officer observed the driver commit traffic violations and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, she detected signs of impairment. The driver was unable to complete a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

MPO Borja transported the 32-year-old man from Brightseat Road in Landover, Maryland to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Driving Without a Valid License.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 21-003903

Nelson Drive, NE

July 21 4:52 p.m.

A resident reported that his wife was making statements that made him concerned for her welfare. When officers spoke to the woman they determined that she needed further evaluation and treatment. MPO Herrera took the woman into custody on an Emergency Care Order and transported her to an area hospital for treatment.

Juvenile Case 21-003907

400 Block Glyndon Street, NE

July 21 8:35 p.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the juvenile driver, she detected an odor of alcohol. The driver's parents were notified and responded to the scene. The officer issued a summons to the juvenile charging Underage Possession of Alcohol and released her to the custody of her parents.

Lost Property 21-003920

Mobil

200 Maple Avenue, East

July 22 7:50 a.m.

A citizen reported that they lost their keys at the Mobil station.

Suspicious Event 21-003912

Wawa

365 Maple Avenue, West

July 22 8:03 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of a woman in the parking lot who appeared to be upset, disoriented, and was suffering from minor injuries to her face. Upon the officers' interaction with the woman, they detected signs of impairment. Rescue personnel responded and transported the woman to an area hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

CASE UPDATES

Arrest – Protective Order Violation 21-003736

1400 Block Cottage Street, SW

Between June 30 at 12:00 p.m. and July 12 at 11:59 p.m.

(Vienna Police Highlights – July 16, 2021)

On July 20, MPO Tremont served two warrants obtained by the Fairfax County Police Department in this case. MPO Tremont arrested the 66-year-old man from Cottage Street, SW in Vienna and transported him to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with two counts of Violating a Protective Order.

CRASHES

Orchard Street and Nutley Street, NW 21-003765

July 14 1:55 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling east on Orchard Street, stopped at the intersection of Nutley Street, then proceeded into the intersection. Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Nutley Street, disregarded the stop sign at Orchard, and struck Vehicle-2. Driver-1 then proceeded to flee the area westbound on Orchard Street without stopping to provide his information.

200 Block Elm Street, SW 21-003778

July 15 1:00 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on the roadway when it was struck by Vehicle-1. Driver-1 fled the area without providing their information.

Maple Avenue and James Madison Drive, NW 21-003803

July 16 10:00 a.m.

Vehicle-3 was westbound in the left turn lane on Maple Avenue at the intersection at James Madison Drive. Vehicle-2 and Vehicle-1 were behind him. Vehicle-1 bumped the rear of Vehicle-2, pushing it into Vehicle-3, causing minor damage.

100 Kingsley Road, SW 21-003831

July 27 3:05 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on the roadway. Vehicle-1 sideswiped Vehicle-2 and the driver fled the scene without stopping to provide their information.

146 Maple Avenue, West 21-003836

July 17 6:30 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in a parking space. Vehicle-1 struck the bumper of Vehicle-2 as they were attempting to park. Driver-1 left the area without providing their information.

Maple Avenue and Park Street, SE 21-003869

July 19 10:55 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound in the left lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 stopped in heavy traffic. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

Maple Avenue and East Street, NE 21-003913

July 22 8:13 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in the left lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 stopped in traffic. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

Maple Avenue and Follin Lane, SE 21-003923

July 22 1:58 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound in the same lane of traffic on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 stopped for a red traffic light. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

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

CITIZEN NOTES



HARD HAT CORNER

Week of July 26, 2021

- Community Construction Meeting July 26, 2021, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., held at the Vienna Police Department located at 301 Center Street, South, Vienna, VA 22180
- Complete MEP under-slab rough-in
- Prep for slab on grade
- Pour slab on grade
- Steel delivery and prep for hanging basement level steel

Week of August 02, 2021

- Start hanging basement steel
- Complete leave-out of the foundation wall
- Start footings on the community room
- Start utility work on Center Street

**** 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 (<https://vienna.prod.govaccess.org/your-government/town-departments-at-your-service/police/police-station-construction/-fsiteid-1>) for your information.**



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Town Wildlife Affected by Mysterious Illness

Wildlife managers throughout the region are hard at work trying to determine the source of a mysterious illness that is killing wild birds, including some in Vienna. Symptoms of the avian illness include eye swelling and crusty discharge as well as neurological signs.

“We’ve seen an uptick in reports of sick and dying birds in Vienna since the end of May,” said Animal Control Officer John Barker. “Until wildlife biologists can determine what is causing the birds to get sick, we’re appealing to the public to take action to help reduce the risk to wildlife in the region.”

Birds congregating at bird feeders and bird baths can transmit diseases to one another. Therefore, the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources recommends the following standard precautions:

- Stop feeding birds until this wildlife morbidity/mortality event subsides;
- Clean feeders and bird baths with a 10% bleach solution (one part bleach mixed with nine parts water), rinse with water and allow to air dry;
- While no human health issues have been reported, you should avoid handling birds unless necessary. If you do handle them, wear disposable gloves. If picking up a dead bird, place an inverted plastic bag over your hand to avoid direct contact with the bird, seal the bag and dispose of it in household trash;
- Keep pets (including pet birds) away from sick or dead wild birds as a standard precaution; and
- If at any time you find multiple dead birds in your yard over a short period of time, regardless of whether or not there is an ongoing bird mortality event, it is prudent to clean feeders and bird baths with a 10% bleach solution.

If you encounter sick or dead birds, please report them to the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources: dwr.virginia.gov/wildlife/diseases/bird-mortality-reporting-form.

On December 10, 2020, Governor Northam issued Executive Order #72, which incorporates earlier Executive Orders Sixty-Three Sixty-Seven that will take effect on Monday, December 14, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. This amended order remains in effect until rescinded or amended by further executive order. Questions, concerns, and complaints of this order's violations should be directed to the VA Department of Health at 1-877-275-8343.

For more information about COVID-19, navigate to <https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus-updates/>
The full text of Executive Order Seventy-Two is available [here](#)



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release Operations Modifications in

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 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.**



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.**