



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

September 17, 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 10, 2021 to September 16, 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 case of an emergency 9-1-1.

INCIDENTS

Vehicle Tampering 21-005265

144 Maple Avenue, West

August 23 between 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

On September 10, an employee reported that on August 23 he left his vehicle legally parked in the lot behind Loyal Companion. When he returned to the vehicle he found that someone had cut his brake lines.

Arrest – Felony Hit & Run and Driving While Intoxicated 21-004878

Tapawingo Road and Nutley Street, SW

August 27 8:09 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Nutley Street at a high rate of speed. Vehicle-2 was on Tapawingo Road stopped at the traffic light for Nutley Street. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2 as it turned onto Tapawingo. Driver-1 fled the scene of the accident, abandoning the vehicle on Hillcrest Drive. Driver-2 was transported to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

On September 15, after completing their investigation, officers obtained two warrants for Driver-1 charging Felony Hit & Run and Driving While Intoxicated. With the assistance of Fairfax County Police, the officers responded to Driver-1's residence. Ofc. Reed arrested the 25-year-old man from Midlothian Court in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the warrants were served.

Vehicle Tampering 21-005119

100 Saratoga Way, NE

September 6 between 3:00 a.m. and 3:15 a.m.

A resident observed a man tampering with his vehicle. When the man saw the resident, he fled, dropping the items he was attempting to steal. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the man.

Juvenile Case 21-005198

Cedar Lane School

101 Cedar Lane, SW

September 8 11:44 a.m.

School staff reported that a student made some concerning statements. Officers spoke to the juvenile and provided the parent with information on resources available to them.

Animal Case – Quarantine 21-005254

Oakton-Vienna Veterinary Hospital

320 Maple Avenue, East

September 9 12:00 p.m.

An employee was scratched by a cat during a procedure. The owner of the cat was advised of the 10-day quarantine.

Found Property 21-005234

Whole Foods

143 Maple Avenue, East

September 9 2:57 p.m.

An employee found a wallet in the store.

Open Door 21-005247

Westwood Country Club

800 Maple Avenue, East

September 10 12:41 a.m.

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

Fraud 21-005260

500 Block Branch Road, SE

September 10 2:33 p.m.

A resident received an email that appeared to be a member of her church requesting that she purchase gift cards and provide them with the information on the cards. The resident purchased the cards, but when she called the church member she found that she had not sent the email and that the mail she received was a scam.

Stolen Vehicle 21-005293

500 Meadow Lane, SW

September 10 between 4:00 p.m. and 9:20 p.m.

On September 11, a resident reported that on September 10 he left his vehicle parked near Meadow Lane Park. When he returned home later that evening, he noticed the vehicle was missing.

On September 14, the resident advised that he found his vehicle somewhere in the Tyson's Corner area. Due to conflicting information that the resident provided, it was determined that the vehicle had not been stolen.

Trespassing 21-005264

Crumbl Cookies

203 Maple Avenue, East

September 10 4:38 p.m.

An employee reported that a former employee who had been trespassed from the store returned to the premises to retrieve his paycheck and personal property. The man was intoxicated and being verbally abusive to the employees. The man left the store before the employees notified the police. The manager was advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges.

Found Property 21-005308

Branch Road Tot Lot

150 Branch Road, SE

September 12 12:21 p.m.

A resident found a bicycle near the creek at the park.

Found Property 21-005312

Counsellor Drive and Abbottsford Drive, NE

September 12 3:39 p.m.

A citizen found a credit card.

Animal Case 21-005314

500 Block Kingsley Road, SW

September 12 5:46 p.m.

A resident reported that they found a stray dog. Officers were unable to locate an owner and transported the dog to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. The owner called later that evening to report her dog as missing and was advised of the dog's location.

Domestic Dispute 21-005315

200 Block Maple Avenue, East

September 12 5:57 p.m.

Officers responded to a domestic dispute in the area behind the Chipotle Restaurant where several members of a family were arguing. The parties agreed to separate and work out their issues at a later time.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 21-005320

Popeyes

325 Maple Avenue, East

September 12 9:03 p.m.

Employees reported a customer who was acting disorderly and belligerent in the restaurant. Upon the officer's interaction with the customer, they detected signs of impairment.

MPO Smith arrested the 26-year-old man from Quantrell Avenue in Alexandria, Virginia. He was trespassed from the restaurant and advised that he may be charged with trespassing if he returns. The man was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public.

Suspicious Event 21-005344

200 Block Locust Street, SE

September 13 between 7:20 p.m. and 7:37 p.m.

A resident reported that her neighbor shouted obscenities at her without provocation. The two residents have been having ongoing issues.

Suspicious Person 21-005343

Dollar Tree

215 Maple Avenue, West

September 13 between 7:30 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.

Officers responded to a disorderly customer in the store. The employees did not wish to trespass the customer, and the customer agreed to be more civil when shopping in the store.

Assault 21-005342

McDonald's

544 Maple Avenue, West

September 13 7:34 p.m.

A customer, who frequently comes into the restaurant and makes inappropriate comments to the employees, made a comment to a female employee that upset her brother who is also an employee. The customer continued to antagonize the male employee, resulting in a physical altercation in the parking lot. The customer left the store before officers arrived. At the request of the manager of the restaurant, officers responded to the customer's home and trespassed the man from the McDonalds. The man was advised that he may be charged with trespassing if he returns to the premises.

Vehicle Tampering 21-005384

100 Block Center Street, North

September 14 between 8:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

A resident reported that someone rummaged through her vehicle and stole syringes that contained medication.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 21-005387

Albea Court, NE

September 15 7:05 a.m.

Officers and rescue personnel responded to the report of a juvenile who had taken too much over-the-counter medication. A family member agreed to take the juvenile to a medical facility for further evaluation and treatment.

Suspicious Event 21-005399

Vienna Town Hall

127 Center Street, South

September 15 3:05 p.m.

A Town employee reported that she was walking across the street when she observed a woman driving recklessly. When she told the driver to slow down, the driver pulled the vehicle onto the curb in front of Town Hall and began acting aggressively and cursing at the employee. The driver then left the area.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 21-005407

7-11

427 Maple Avenue, East

September 15 8:06 p.m.

Officers responded to assist Fairfax County officers who were speaking to a woman regarding one of their cases. The woman began making concerning statements during their interview. The woman indicated that she would like to seek medical assistance. MPO Smith transported the woman to an area medical facility for evaluation.

Shoplifting 21-005408

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

September 15 8:10 p.m.

An employee reported that a man entered the store, filled a backpack with grocery items, and left without paying. The employee reported that the man has previously shoplifted from the store.

Juvenile Case 21-005409

Vienna Police Station

Fellini Court, SE

September 15 11:16 p.m.

A resident reported that his teenage son left home upset and he was concerned for his wellbeing. The juvenile was located a short time later.

CRASHES

Orchard Street and Lewis Street, NW 21-005218

September 9 8:20 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was making a left turn from Lewis Street onto westbound Orchard Street. Vehicle-2 was stopped at the stop sign on eastbound Orchard Street. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2

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

Nutley Street near Princeton Terrace, SW 21-005267

September 10 6:20 p.m.

Three vehicles were traveling in the left lane of southbound Nutley Street, SW. Vehicle-3 slowed with traffic. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2, causing it to run into the rear of Vehicle-3.

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

500 Block Park Street, SE 21-005272

September 10 8:16 p.m.

Vehicle-1 went off the roadway and struck a speed limit sign. Driver-1 fled the scene without stopping.

225 Maple Avenue, East 21-005286

September 11 2:43 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by Vehicle-1. Driver-1 left the scene without providing their information.

465 Maple Avenue, West 21-005307

September 12 12:08

Vehicle-1 was exiting the Wawa parking lot to turn left onto Nutley Street. Vehicle-2 was on southbound Nutley Street, turning into the Wawa lot. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2.

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

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE 21-005337

September 12 3:50 p.m.

A resident believes her vehicle was struck while it was legally parked in the parking lot. The driver of the striking vehicle fled the scene without providing their information.

Park Street and Kingsley Road, SE 21-005324

September 13 8:40 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling northbound on Park Street. Vehicle-2 slowed to make a left turn onto Kingsley Road. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

Nutley Street and Courthouse Road, SW 21-005370

September 14 2:39 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was northbound on Nutley Street, turning left onto Courthouse Road. Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Nutley Street when the two vehicles collided.

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

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE 21-005421

September 16 8:19 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was exiting the parking lot. Pedestrian-1 was walking on the sidewalk crossing the driveway apron for the parking lot when they were struck by Vehicle-1.

Pedestrian-1 was transported by rescue personnel to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

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



HARD HAT CORNER

Week of September 20, 2021

- Start installing exterior wall framing
- Continue installing storm 13 to 16
- Start installing roof trusses on main building.
- Continue working on waterproofing West foundation walls
- Complete Backfill of foundation walls
- Pour slab on grade on community center

Week of September 27, 2021

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

****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.**



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