



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

February 4, 2022

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from January 28, 2022 to February 3, 2022. 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

Narcotics Violation 22-000552

Blair Road and Lawyers Road, NW

January 22 12:47 a.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the occupants, the officer detected an odor of marijuana. One of the juvenile occupants had marijuana in his possession. The officer counseled the juvenile regarding the underage possession of marijuana and released him to the custody of his mother.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 22-000718

100 Block Maple Avenue, West

January 28 8:16 p.m.

A citizen approached a police officer to report a man who was harassing juveniles in the shopping center. The juveniles advised the officer that the man approached them in front of the Panera Bread restaurant persistently trying to get them to take marijuana from him. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment and arrested him.

Ofc. Garcia transported the 38-year-old man from Campbell Drive in Fairfax, Virginia to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public, Distribution of Marijuana to a Person Underage, and two counts of Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor. The man, a Registered Violent Sex Offender, was held without bond.

Grand Larceny 22-000763

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

January 30 11:45 a.m.

A coin was stolen from a vendor during a coin show at the community center.

Arrest - Driving While Intoxicated 22-000772

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

January 30 9:57 p.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he detected signs of impairment. The driver failed a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

Ofc Garcia transported the 30-year-old man from Chepstow Lane in Falls Church, Virginia Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Suspicious Event 22-000778
200 Block Locust Street, SE
January 31 8:57 a.m.

A citizen requested that a friend made some concerning statements and they requested an officer check on his welfare. Officers spoke to the resident who stated that he did not need any assistance.

Vehicle Tampering 22-000813
100 Block Lewis Street, NW
Between January 31 at 9:00 p.m. and February 1 at 5:00 a.m.

A resident reported that someone rummaged through his vehicle.

Fraud 22-000871
400 Block Mashie Drive, SE
February 1 between 1:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

A resident reported that she received an email from a company reporting that she owed money for an antivirus service. The resident called the number provided and, after providing her bank account information, the resident found the correspondence was fraudulent.

Suspicious Event 22-000841
300 Block Old Courthouse Road, NE
February 1 7:20 p.m.

A resident reported that she received some suspicious emails that appeared to come from her accountant. The accountant advised that they had not sent the email and believed his email account might have been hacked. The emails appeared to be an attempt to defraud the resident.

Suspicious Event 22-000844
Church of the Holy Comforter
543 Beulah Road, NE
February 1 8:54 p.m.

A woman staying at the hypothermia shelter at the Church reported that two men made suspicious statements. One of the men left the shelter before officers arrived. The second man refused to speak to officers and left the shelter. A worker at the shelter was advised of the process if they chose to trespass the men from the shelter.

Suspicious Vehicle 22-000847
James Madison Drive and Windover Avenue, NW
February 1 11:15 p.m.

A school security officer reported an occupied vehicle stopped in the middle of the road. Officers found the driver was asleep in the vehicle. It was determined that the driver was suffering from a medical issue and rescue personnel responded to assess her. The driver refused treatment. A friend of the driver responded to the scene and took the woman home.

Found Property 22-000874
Louise Arch Elementary School
324 Nutley Street, NW
February 2 2:27 p.m.

A citizen found a credit card at the school.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

1000 Block Cottage Street, SW 22-000795
January 31 3:37 p.m.

Two vehicles were parked southbound on Cottage Street. Driver-1 attempted to pull onto the roadway and struck Vehicle-2.

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

Nutley Street near Maple Avenue, SW 22-000822
February 1 10:00 a.m.

Two vehicles were in the center lane of northbound Nutley Street approaching the intersection with Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 stopped when the traffic light turned red. 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 February 7th

- Start the installation of concrete subgrade at the community plaza (weather permitting)
- Continue masonry installation at the generator enclosure
- Begin installing windows on the exterior
- Continue MEP rough-in on the first and second floors
- Start pre-rock drywall on the first level
- Finish light gauge metal stud framing on the second floor
- Excavate for footings of remaining site walls
- Excavate for footings of site gates
- Install light pole bases at the site
- Install telecommunication laterals to street
- Install oil water separator tank at the site
- Start the installation of site structure #19 and roof drain lines

Week of February 14th

- Continue the installation of concrete subgrade at the community plaza
- Finish masonry at the generator/waste enclosure
- Install cast stone at site walls
- Install decorative fencing on the site walls
- Start parking lot curb and gutters
- Start sidewalks
- Continue masonry at remaining site walls beside gates
- Hand drywall on the basement level
- Continue MEP-FP rough-in second Level
- Continue window installation on the exterior

****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.**



Vienna Police Department

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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BURGLARY

These two suspects were involved in a burglary and unlawful entry that occurred in the 200 block of Dominion Road NE on December 26, 2021.



Suspect 1



Suspect 2

If you recognize these suspects or have any information, please contact Det. Marcos Herrera, Marcos.Herrera@viennava.gov, (703) 255-7821, reference case number 2021-7988

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January 18, 2022



**Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department
Media Information Release
Warning: McAfee Scam Email**

Detectives with the Vienna Police Department are investigating two separate scam incidents related to a "McAfee Antivirus" email. Detectives advised that the scam usually begins with an email that purports to be from McAfee informing citizens that they are being charged \$300 for "McAfee Total Protection anti-virus software" unless they cancel the order by calling a phone number provided in the email. If you call the number provided, you will be greeted by a scammer posing as a McAfee employee who will ask for personal information, including a bank account number supposedly to verify the account. After receiving the personal information, the scammer will request a wire transfer of funds which will be nearly impossible to reverse once it is completed. The Vienna Police Department provides the following guidelines for spotting and avoiding a "phishing" email:

- 1) Always check the sender's email. Phishing emails may look like they are from a legitimate company you trust. Most of the time, you can tell it is a phishing scam if the sender's email address consists of random numbers and letters. If you are unsure, research the email of the company.
- 2) Look for spelling and grammatical errors. Phishing emails tend to have multiple spelling and grammatical errors in them.
- 3) Phishing emails will attempt to trick you through a sense of urgency in order to click on a link or open an attachment. You can inspect the link by hovering the mouse over it without clicking on it—only open attachments from trusted and verified sources.
- 4) Phishing emails may trick you by saying:
 - a. They've noticed suspicious activity or login attempts
 - b. Claim there are account problems or problems with payment information
 - c. Ask to confirm personal information
 - d. Attach fake invoices
 - e. Provide a link to allow for a payment
 - f. Threaten to arrest
 - g. Offer money or free items

If you feel you have fallen victim to a phishing scam, please call the police non-emergency number, 703-255-6366, to report it. You can also report phishing emails to your email provider or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) using their website. Useful links containing phishing email examples, how to avoid phishing emails, and FTC reporting procedures are attached below:

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams>

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/topics/online-security>

**For further information please contact:
M.P.O. Juan Vazquez - Town of Vienna Police Department
juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703-255-7845**



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