



Community Safety Committee

Anderson Room, City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road

Tuesday, October 9, 2018
Immediately following the Special (Open) Council meeting

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MINUTES

CS-4 *Motion to adopt the **minutes** of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on September 11, 2018.*



NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

Wednesday, November 14, 2018, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - AUGUST 2018**
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 5968425)

CS-11

See Page CS-11 for full report

Designated Speaker: Carli Williams

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report - August 2018", dated September 19, 2018, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.



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2. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – AUGUST 2018**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5972396)

CS-17

See Page CS-17 for full report

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – August 2018”, dated September 17, 2018 from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.



3. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson

Item for discussion:

None.

4. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – AUGUST 2018**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5951777 v. 2)

CS-27

See Page CS-27 for full report

Designated Speaker: Superintendent Will Ng

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – August 2018”, dated September 12, 2018, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.



5. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Supt. Will Ng

Items for discussion:

(i) *Cops for Cancer*

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(ii) *Introduction of Inspector Kori Powers, Operations Support Officer*

(iii) *Proactive Policing*

6. **COMMITTEE STANDING ITEM**

E-Comm

7. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

ADJOURNMENT





Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Alexa Loo

Absent: Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Linda McPhail

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on July 10, 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

October 10, 2018, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT- JUNE 2018**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 5893896)

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report - June 2018", dated July 13, 2018, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

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2. COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT- JULY 2018

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 5893896)

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report - July 2018", dated August 27, 2018, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS LICENCES QUARTERLY REPORT- SECOND QUARTER 2018

(File Ref. No. 12-8275-01) (REDMS No. 5955038 v. 2)

In reply to queries from Committee, Carli Williams, Manager, Community Bylaws and Licencing, advised that staff memorandums were provided to Council regarding bed and breakfasts (B&B) that were not in compliance with City bylaws. She noted that those B&B's that are still not in compliance are being reviewed by staff and further action will be taken. Ms. Williams then advised that most infractions are minor; however should it be a major offence, it will be brought forward for Council consideration. She further noted that an updated list can be provided to Council with regard to B&B establishments still not in compliance.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Business Licences Quarterly Report – Second Quarter 2018", dated August 27, 2018, from the General Manager Community Safety be received for information.

CARRIED

4. EMERGENCY PROGRAMS QUARTERLY ACTIVITY REPORT- SECOND QUARTER 2018

(File Ref. No. 09-5126-01) (REDMS No. 5952631 v. 2)

In reply to queries from Committee, Norman Kotze, Manager, Emergency Programs, advised that feedback from workshop participants and community workshops will be represented in future reports. He then noted that Emergency Programs activated The Emergency Operations Centre to support Environmental Programs and the Coast Guard with regard to the fuel spill at McDonald Beach Park.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Emergency Programs Quarterly Activity Report – Second Quarter 2018", dated August 23, 2018, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

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5. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT- JUNE 2018**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5899838 v. 2)

Tim Wilkinson, Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, noted that the reduction in overall calls is due to the reclassification of medical calls by BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) for their triaging and deploying resources of BC Ambulance Services (BCAS). He advised that the Fire Chief's Association of BC Executive has been notified of this change and RFR are in the process of understanding the various changes.

In reply to queries from Committee, Chief Wilkinson advised that emergency calls categorized in the middle level are the ones that are being examined with regard to this new protocol by BCEHS and RFR are working hard towards understanding the new system. Chief Wilkinson then spoke of a motor vehicle incident on Highway 99, noting that RFR crews used a variety of equipment at the scene.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – June 2018", dated July 18, 2018 from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.

CARRIED

6. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT- JULY 2018**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5924748 v. 2)

Chief Wilkinson spoke on the Wildland fire at Shell Road, noting that it was a joint effort between other fire departments, air operations and BC Wildfire Services. He noted that fire prevention initiatives have been brought forward to ensure similar situations do not arise again.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – July 2018", dated August 20, 2018 from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.

CARRIED

7. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

(i) Brighthouse Fire Hall #1 Opening

Chief Wilkinson highlighted that Fire Hall #1 opening will be on September 15, 2018.

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(ii) First Aid Kits

Chief Wilkinson advised that RFR's small vehicles will all be equipped with first aid kits containing naloxone kits to assist with opioid overdoses.

8. RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT- JUNE 2018

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5876734 v. 2)

Superintendent Will Ng, Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP, noted that there has been an increase in sexual assaults and shoplifting; however no trends or patterns have been identified.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report – June 2018", dated August 2, 2018, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

CARRIED

9. RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT- JULY 2018

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5915704 v. 2)

Superintendent Ng advised that there has been an increase in sexual assaults and shoplifting in July; however no trends or patterns have been identified.

In reply to queries from Committee, Superintendent Ng noted that there were two incidents whereby users of the dating application called Tantan were targeted and assaulted. He advised that warnings have been issued to the community through social media, and Richmond RCMP are hoping people will be more diligent when using the dating application.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report – July 2018", dated August 20, 2018, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

CARRIED

10. 2018-2019 RICHMOND RCMP DETACHMENT ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN FIRST QUARTER RESULTS (APRIL1 TO JUNE 30, 2018)

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5914020 v. 2)

Superintendent Ng advised that Richmond RCMP are on target with respect to property crime; however not quite meeting targets with regard to organized crime; however, increased drug enforcement is underway. Superintendent Ng spoke of the Car 67 initiative noting that (i) Richmond has identified two officers to accompany mental health nurses on patrol, (ii) Vancouver Coastal Health is in the process of hiring one more mental health nurse, and (iii) the initiative is anticipated to commence end of October.

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In reply to queries from Committee, Superintendent Ng advised RCMP have not received specific information with regard to the upcoming cannabis legalization as of yet; however training has begun and focus has been put on drug impaired driving.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled "2018–2019 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan First Quarter Results (January 1 to March 31, 2018)", dated July 24, 2018 from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

CARRIED

11. RCMP/OIC BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

(i) Musical Ride

Superintendent Ng expressed gratitude to the Steveston Rotary Club for their efforts with the RCMP's Musical Ride and for raising over \$1200 for local charities.

(ii) Richmond World Festival

Superintendent Ng highlighted that the event had record attendance with over 40,000 people. He noted that there were only minor incidents involving lost children and health events.

(iii) Wildfire

Superintendent Ng advised that a number of officers were deployed to provide assistance at various wildfires and that the auxiliary officers have been a great support.

In reply to queries from Committee, Superintendent Ng noted that officers are only deployed to provide support if the detachment can afford to send them and maintain appropriate service levels.

12. COMMITTEE STANDING ITEM

E-Comm

None.

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DELEGATION

With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office) Oliver Grüter-Andrew, president and CEO, E-Comm, provided the following information:

- E-Comm has consistently met or exceeded its service level target for calls answered within a prescribed time frame;
- E-Comm has transitioned all Emergency Services radios to the Next Generation Radio Program (NGRP);
- the new training and back-up facility will be of great support should there be an emergency and the main facility is not operable;
- service expansion to cover 100% of municipalities is underway; and
- E-Comm's strategic planning process has been successful and that planning for the next 5-7 years requires understanding changes in environment and communities.

13. MANAGER'S REPORT

(i) Farmland Harvest

Cecilia Achiam, General Manager, Community Safety, advised that this time last year there was an issue with regard to theft and interference with the harvest on farmlands. She noted that this year staff have been proactively engaging the community through social media and newspaper advertisements to remind citizens to be respectful of farmers during harvest season.

(ii) Issues on Beckwith Road

Ms. Achiam advised that a staff memorandum will be provided to Council with regard to issues arising along Beckwith Road, in particular concerning homelessness, illegal dumping and parking and noted that staff are working with the RCMP with regard to enforcement.

(iii) E-Comm's 20th Anniversary

Dave Mitchell, Director of Fire Services, E-Comm, thanked Deputy Fire Chief Jim Wishlove for his participation at the 9/11 ceremony at Peace Arch. He then noted that it was E-Comm's 20th Anniversary and that Richmond was one of the original members and thanked Richmond for their partnership.

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ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:54 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the meeting of the Community
Safety Committee of the Council of the
City of Richmond held on Tuesday,
September 11, 2018.

Councillor Bill McNulty
Chair

Sarah Goddard
Legislative Services Coordinator



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** September 19, 2018
From: Cecilia Achiam
General Manager, Community Safety **File:** 12-8060-01/20-Vol01
Re: **Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report - August 2018**

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report - August 2018", dated September 19, 2018, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

Cecilia Achiam
General Manager, Community Safety
(604-276-4122)

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Staff Report

Origin

This monthly report for the Community Bylaws Department provides information on Grease, Soils, Property Use, Short-Term Rentals, Pay Parking, Parking Enforcement, Animal Control, Dog Licencing and Public Awareness Initiatives.

This report supports Council's 2014-2018 Term Goal #1 A Safe Community:

Maintain emphasis on community safety to ensure Richmond continues to be a safe community.

Analysis

Grease

The Grease Officer remains focused on education and voluntary compliance. During the month of August, the Grease Officer undertook 101 grease-trap inspections which are reflected in the cumulative total shown in Figure 1a. Three warning violation notices for contravention of the Drainage, Dyke and Sanitary Sewer System Bylaw No. 7551 were issued.

Soils

The Soil Bylaw Officer continues to liaise with various departments and agencies for the purpose of monitoring properties in non-compliance with the current Soil Removal & Fill Deposit Regulation Bylaw No. 8094, in addition to reviewing soil deposit proposals. There are currently 89 files that remain open which consist of 25 stop-work-orders and/or removal orders and two active fill sites. There are currently 12 fill proposals within various stages of review.

During the month of August, the Soil Bylaw Officer conducted 54 site inspections.

Property Use

Property Use Officers continue to investigate property matters based on public complaints, as well as, conduct proactive enforcement for self-evident infractions such as boulevard obstructions and unsightly properties. Excluding grease, soils and short-term rentals, during the month of August, Property Use Officers administered 167 files, which were largely associated with unsightly premise, tow permits, as well as noise, sanitation and zoning matters.

Short-Term Rentals

Property Use Officers continue to investigate occupancy issues based on website listings and public complaints. During the month of August, Property Use Officers undertook 36 site visits, which resulted in the issuance of 27 violations (\$27,000 in fines), for contravention of both the Zoning Bylaw No. 8500 and the Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538.

The following tables below (Figure 1a and 1b) reflect year-to-date *calls for service* categorized by property use file type for years 2016 and 2017. Calls are reflected as a cumulative total for each month ending with the current month of August 2018.

Figure 1a: Grease, Soils, Short-Term Rentals & Property-Use Calls For Service

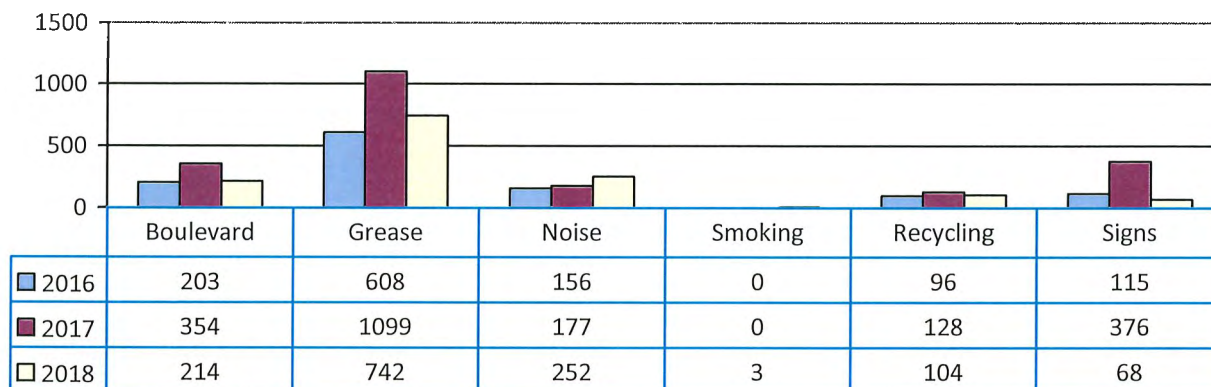
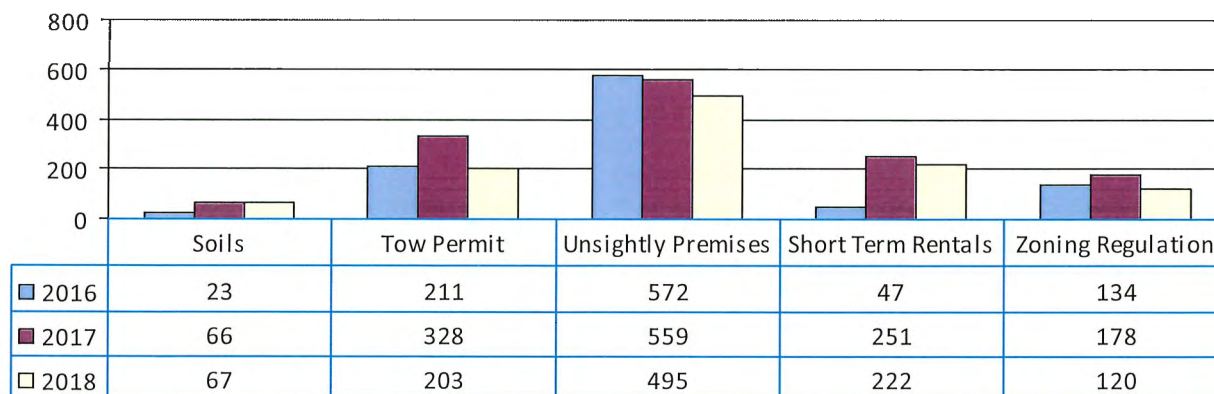


Figure 1b: Grease, Soils, Short-Term Rentals & Property-Use Calls For Service

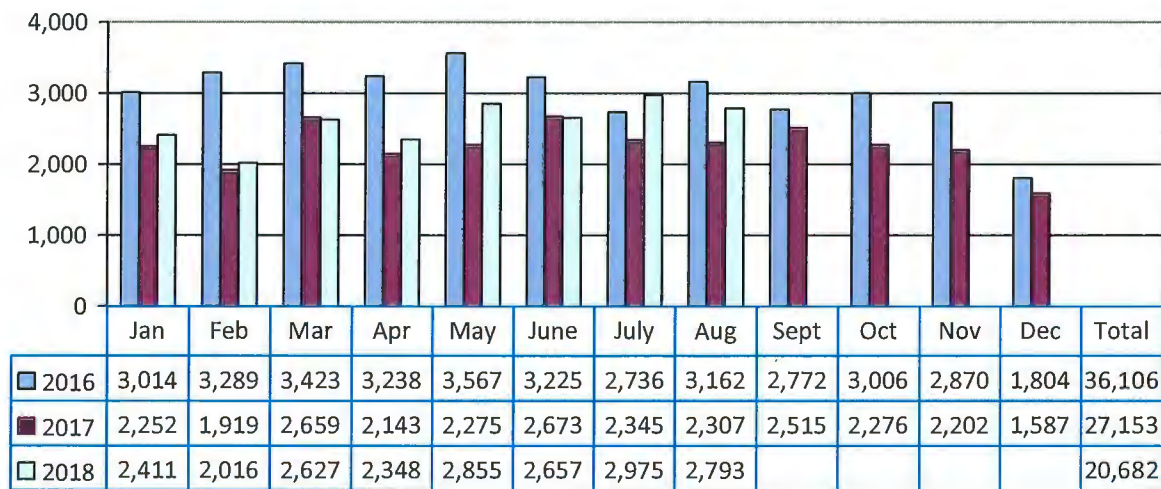


Parking

Parking and Animal Control Officers continue to focus on safety issues (fire hydrants, yellow curbs and animal control offences), as well as pay parking matters (parking meter and permit offences). During the month of August, Parking and Animal Control Officers issued 2,793 violations associated with various parking and stopping offences.

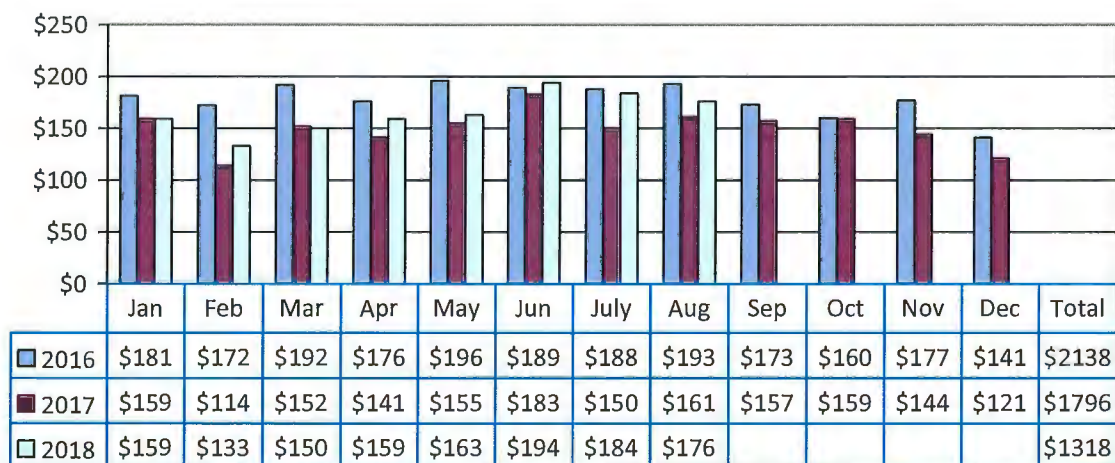
The following table reflects monthly and year-to-date *parking enforcement activity* measured by violation issuance.

Figure 2a: Parking Violations Issuance Comparison



The following table reflects monthly and year-to-date *parking program revenue* encompassing meter, permit & enforcement operations.

Figure 2b: Consolidated Parking Program Revenue Comparison
(000's)



Dog Licencing and Animal Control

During the month of August, 113 dogs were licenced. The total amount of dogs licenced to date is 7,116.

Education and Awareness

The following Parks/Dykes were patrolled during the month of August:

- Garden City Park
- King George Park
- Garry Point Park
- South Arm Park
- McLean Park
- West Dyke
- North West Dyke
- McDonald Beach
- Minoru Park
- Aberdeen Park
- Terra Nova Rural Park
- Steveston Community Park
- Burkeville
- Gilbert Road Beach
- Fraserwood Trail
- East Richmond Trail

Customer Service Activity – Parking and Animal Control

The following table reflects monthly and year-to-date *calls-for-service* for parking and animal control.

Figure 3a: Community Bylaws Calls-for-Service

Calls for Service (Tempest & Amanda)	August	YTD
Parking & Stopping Files	277	1743
Animal Control Files	189	1287
Totals	466	3030

Enforcement Activity

The following table reflects monthly and year-to-date *violation issuance* listed by file type.

Figure 3b: Community Bylaws Violations

Ticket Issuance (BVN's & MTL's)	August	YTD
Short-Term Rental Offences	30	68
Soil Removal & Fill Deposit Offences	0	39
Grease Trap Offences	3	23
Parking & Stopping Offences	2793	20708
Animal Control Offences	110	331
Totals	2936	21169

Adjudication

The next adjudication session scheduled for October 30, 2018 will consist of 13 violations in contravention of Traffic Bylaw No. 5870 and two violations in contravention of the Dog Licencing Bylaw No. 7138.

Revenue

The Community Bylaws Department derives most of its revenue from parking meters, parking permits and parking violations, with the remainder of revenue generated from the following sources: Dog Licences, False Alarm Incidents, Animal Control Violations, Newspaper Box Permits (annual renewal), Towing Permits (biennial renewal) and Film Crew Occupancy.

In Figure 4, the variance for "False Alarms" remains inordinately high because of a previous billing transfer to property taxes and the significant variance for "Other Permits" can be attributed to straight-line financial projections. Recovery expenses represent the cost recovery of Bylaw and RCMP charges associated with the Richmond Night Market.

The following table reflects monthly and year-to-date *department revenue* listed by source.

Figure 4: Budget vs. Actual Revenue by Source

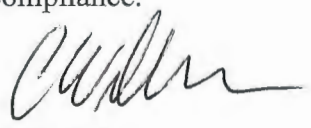
Program Revenue	August Budget	August Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD (\$) Variance	YTD (%) Variance
Recovery - Expenses	0	5,952	0	64,334	64,334	0.0%
Filming Revenue	0	1,163	0	5,601	5,601	0.0%
False Alarms	4,350	11,772	34,800	74,739	39,939	114.8%
Dog Licences	9,923	5,710	171,121	176,403	5,282	3.1%
Towing Permits	810	1,065	11,274	15,158	3,884	34.5%
Other Permits	1,933	1,200	26,894	42,147	15,253	56.7%
Other Bylaw Fines	2,329	18,850	33,850	70,250	36,400	107.5%
Parking Revenue	170,803	175,781	1,372,337	1,318,995	(53,342)	(3.9)%
Total Revenue	190,148	221,493	1,650,276	1,767,627	117,351	7.1%

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Community Bylaws staff strive to maintain the quality of life and the safety of residents through coordinated efforts with other City departments and community partners. Further, all department personnel remain committed to educating the public and promoting a culture of voluntary compliance.


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 Manager, Community Bylaws
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 Susan Lloyd
 Manager, Parking Enforcement,
 Animal Control And Administration,
 Community Bylaws
 (604-247-4467)



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Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee
From: Tim Wilkinson
Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue

Date: September 17, 2018
File: 09-5000-01/2018-Vol 01

Re: Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – August 2018

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – August 2018”, dated September 17, 2018 from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.

Tim Wilkinson
Fire Chief
(604-303-2701)

Att. 2

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER	
REVIEWED BY STAFF REPORT / AGENDA REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE	INITIALS:
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Staff Report

Origin

This report provides Council with an update on Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR) activities. RFR is reporting on its activities in support of its mission:

To protect and enhance the City's livability through service excellence in prevention, education and emergency response.

This report supports Council's 2014-2018 Term Goal #1 A Safe Community:

Maintain emphasis on community safety to ensure Richmond continues to be a safe community.

Analysis

Community Involvement

RFR advances public awareness, education and community bridge building by participating in training events, community activities and social media.

During August staff engaged with approximately 1,521 children and adults, continuing to develop effective interagency relationships and partnerships within the community including; the Annual Seniors' Summer WHAM (Wellness, Health and More), "All Aboard" - Celebrating Richmond's Transportation Heritage and Works on Wheels Bus Tour for Kids.

Fire crews visited Steveston, Cambie, South Arm, Thompson and West Richmond Community Centres during August for their Summer Camp events.

Emergency Response

RFR's goal is to respond to events in a manner where loss of life, reduction of property damage and protection of the environment is mitigated. In August 2018 there were a total 778 incidents, representing a 17.8 per cent reduction in calls from August 2017 (Attachment 1). The average time on scene for RFR crews was 102 minutes, an increase over 2017. This can be impacted by the nature and severity of each call and the duration on scene. The reduction in overall calls is due to the reclassification of medical calls by BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) for their triaging and deploying resources of BC Ambulance Services.

In August 2018 there were 73 reportable fires to the Office of the Fire Commissioner; representing a 21 per cent decrease from August 2017. The average figure for fires reported in August, over the last five years, is 86, thus reportable fires in the month of August remains consistent with year over year trends.

Fire damage and property losses during August 2018 are estimated at \$35,000. This total includes \$35,000 for building/asset loss and \$0 for content loss. The total building/asset and content value at risk was estimated to be \$2,567,000 and the total value preserved from damage was \$2,532,000. These numbers translate to 98 per cent of value protected (Table 1); this is higher than the 90 per cent protected value observed in 2017.

Table 1: Fire Calls By Type and Loss Estimates – August 2018						
Incident Type Breakdown	Call Volume	Estimated Building / Asset Value (\$)	Estimated Building / Asset Loss (\$)	Estimated Content Value (\$)	Estimated Content Loss (\$)	Estimated Total Value Preserved (\$)
Residential:						
Single family	2	1,820,000	35,000	-	-	1,785,000
Multi family	3	747,000	-	-	-	747,000
Commercial / Industrial	5	-	-	-	-	-
Outdoor	59	-	-	-	-	-
Vehicle/Vessel	4	-	-	-	-	-
Totals*	73	2,567,000	35,000	-	-	2,532,000

*The dollar losses shown in this table are preliminary estimates. They are derived from RFR's record management system and are subject to change due to delays in reporting and confirmation of actual losses from private insurance agencies (as available).

Significant Events

Fire crews minimized loss and limited fires to the place of origin in these notable August 2018 incidents:

- Wildland fire on Shell Road Trail. RFR crews responded and entered the bog from Blundell Road. Firefighters surveyed the area saw gray smoke at the North side with flames in the trees and brush. A second vehicle was called to attend and CN Rail were requested to halt train traffic in the area. Once the second vehicle on scene, crews began to attack the flames and block the fire from spreading. Crews continued firefighting operations by reducing the flames and stopping any hot spots from spreading. Crews remained on site for several hours managing the scene and continued to soak surrounding areas with hand lines.
- Hazmat incident at Kingfisher Drive. Arriving crews witnessed smoke coming from the house. On arrival firefighters were refused entry into the property by the tenant. The tenant was instructed to vacate the property, but refused. RCMP were requested to attend. RFR crews began haz-mat operations to protect nearby public and properties. The incident was handed over to the RCMP for further investigation.

- Fire at an industrial site on Mitchell Road. Arriving, crews saw a large wood chip hopper on fire. A hydrant line was brought into the site across a road, which was secured by fire staff. Onsite workers assisted RFR staff with a forklift to open up the roof and walls of the building to enable fire crews to reach the fire. The fire was attacked and extinguished quickly. Fire crews remained on scene to assist with clean up. RCMP, BC Ambulance Services staff and a Fire Investigator attended. No injuries were reported.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

During August 2018, calls for service decreased by 17.8 per cent from August 2017. RFR will continue to monitor these activities to identify trends and ensure potential solutions.



Tim Wilkinson
Fire Chief
(604-303-2701)

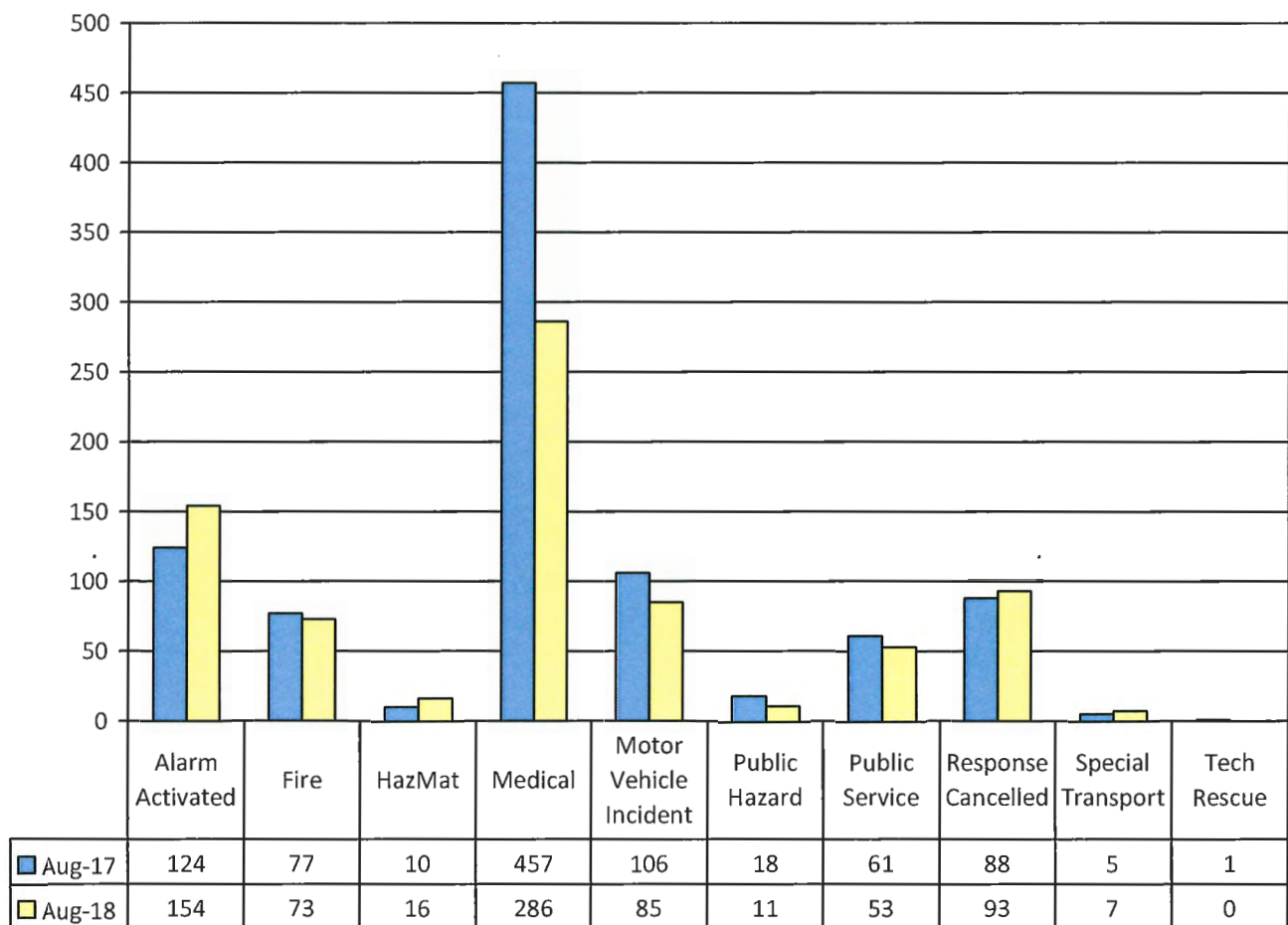
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Att. 1: Suppression Activity
2: Location of August's Fire, Medical and MVIs

Calls for Service Volumes

The following chart provides a month to month comparison regarding incidents occurring in August 2017 and 2018. In August 2018, there were a total of 778 incidents, compared to 947 in August 2017. This represents a decrease of 17.8 per cent.

Table 3: August 2017 & 2018 Calls for Service Volumes



Call Type Legend:

HazMat: includes fuel or vapour; spills, leaks, or containment

Medical includes: cardiac arrest, emergency response, home or industrial accidents

Public Hazard includes: aircraft emergency, bomb removal standby, object removal, or power lines down

Public Service includes: assisting public, ambulance or police, locked in/out, special events, trapped in elevator, water removal

First Responder Totals

Medical first responder incidents comprised 37 per cent of the total emergency responses for RFR during the month of August 2018. A detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for August 2018 and 2017 is set out in the following table by sub-type. There were a total of 286 medical incidents in August 2018 compared to 457 in August 2017, a decrease of 37 per cent.

Table 4a: August 2017 & 2018 Medical Calls by Type

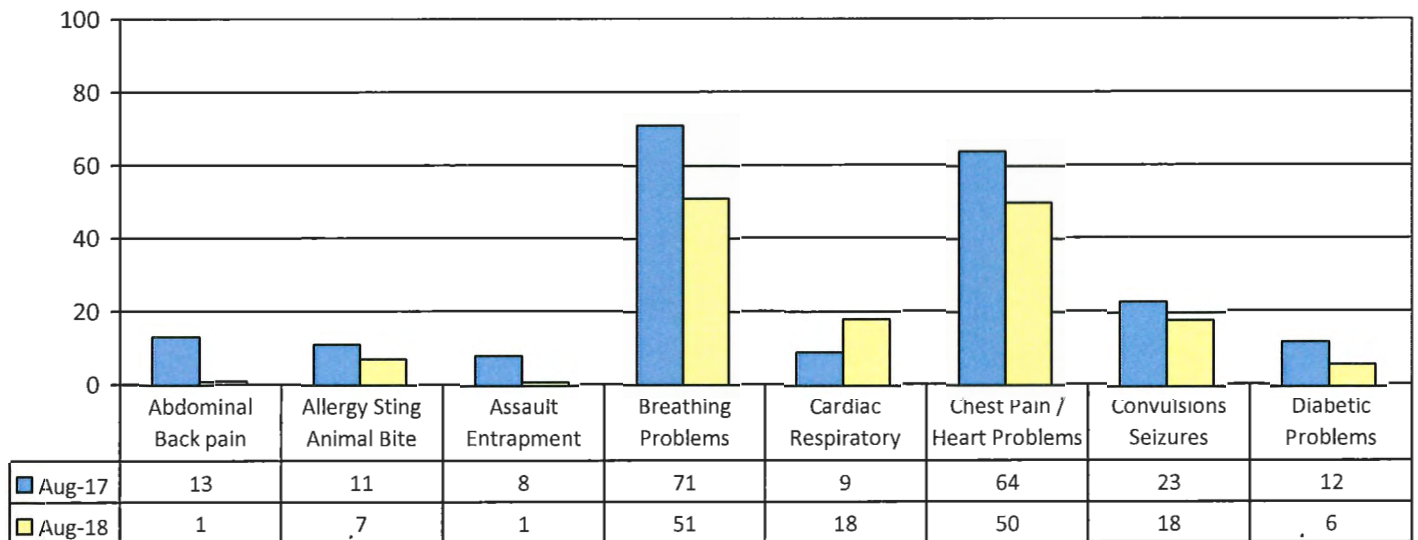
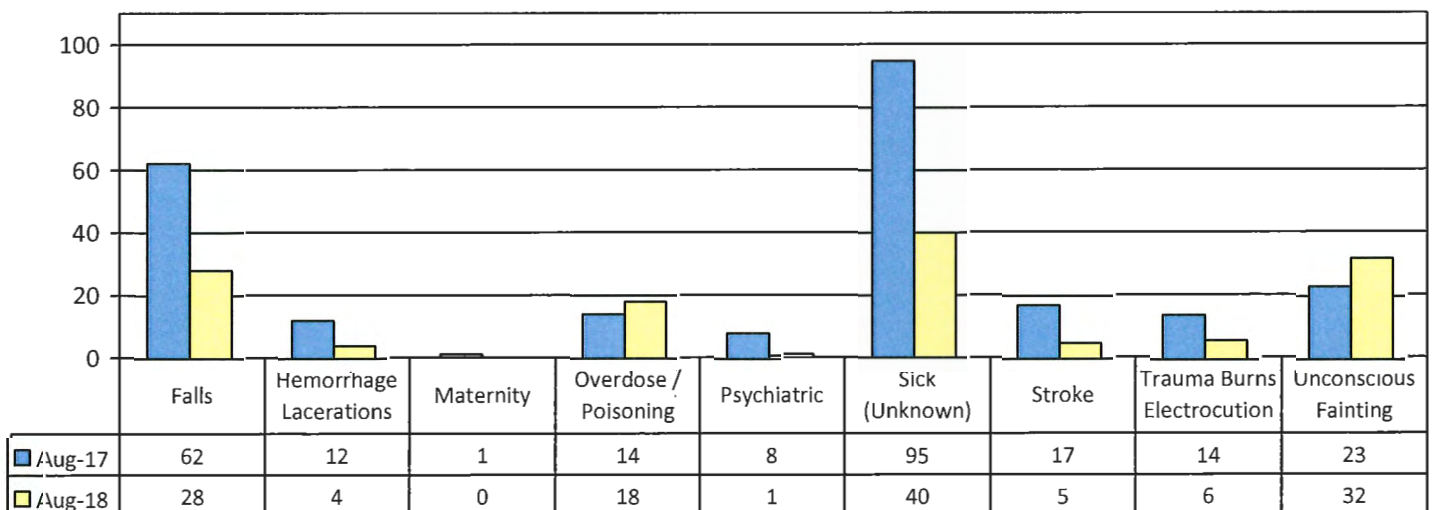


Table 4b: August 2017 & 2018 Medical Calls by Type



Fire Investigations

The fire investigation statistics for August 2018 are listed below:

Table 5: Total Fire Investigation Statistics – August			
	Suspicious	Accidental	Undetermined
Residential - Single-family	-	2	-
Residential - Multi-family	-	2	1
Commercial/Industrial	-	5	-
Outdoor	6	40	13
Vehicle	-	2	2
Totals	6	51	16

RFR investigators report all suspicious fires to the RCMP, while working alongside RCMP staff to address potential risks to the community.

Hazardous Materials

Table 6: HazMat Calls By Type – August	
	Details
Criminal Act	1
Flammable / Combustible Liquids	3
Natural Gas / Propane Leaks (small)	7
Standby / Support for other agency	1
Unclassified	4
Totals	16

Figure 1: Location of reportable fires attended in August (total 73)

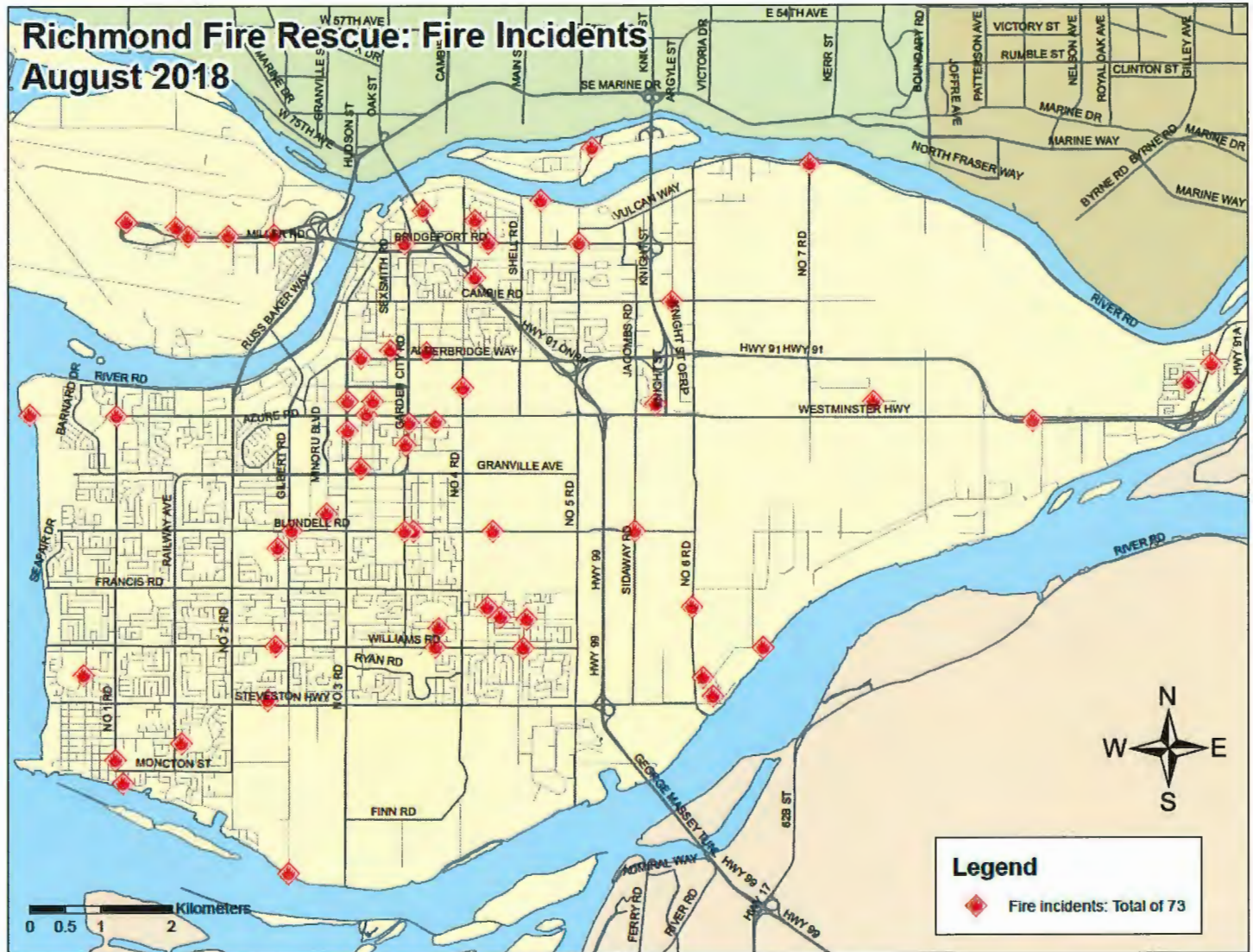


Figure 2: Location of medical calls in August (total 286)

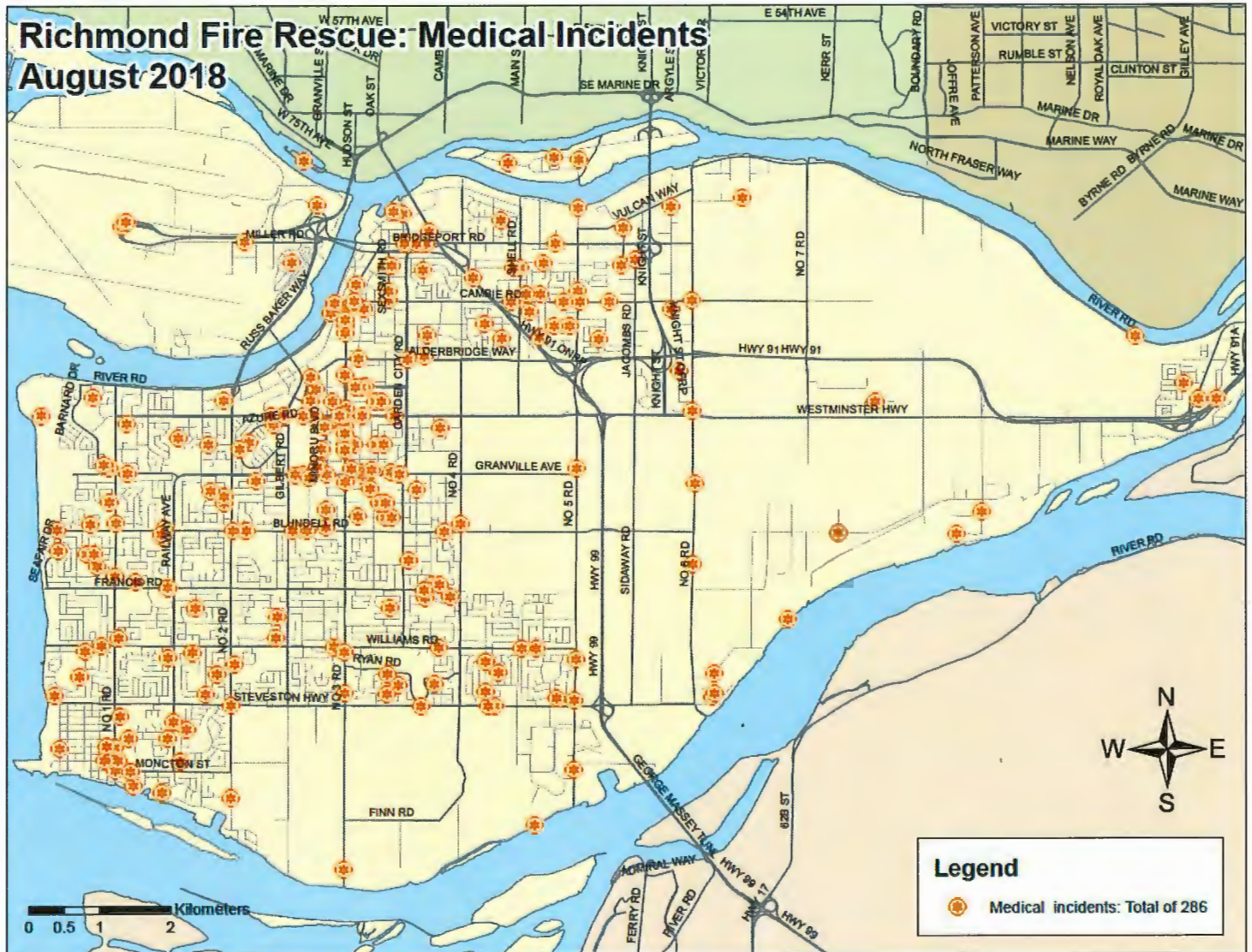
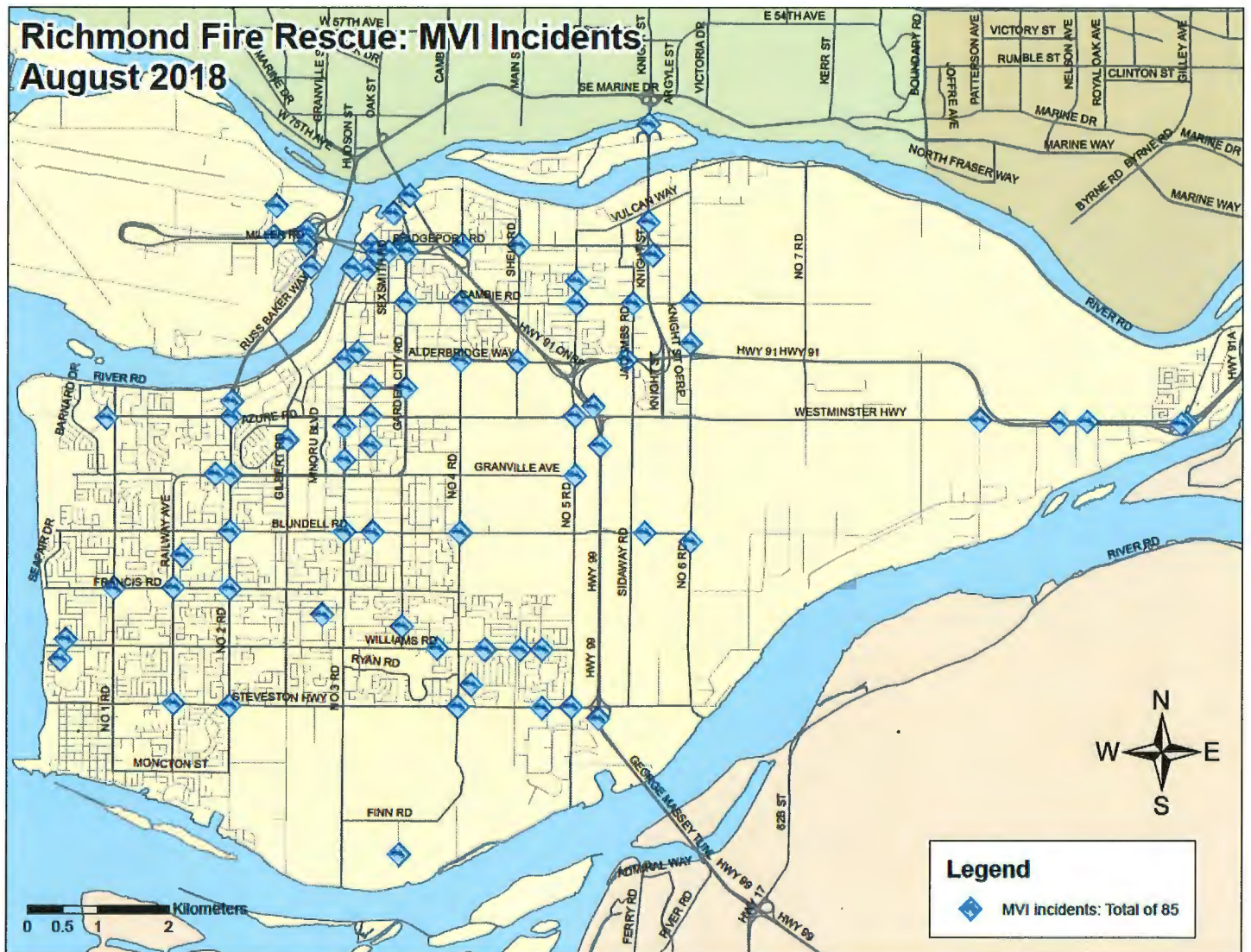


Figure 3: Location of MVI calls in August (total 85)





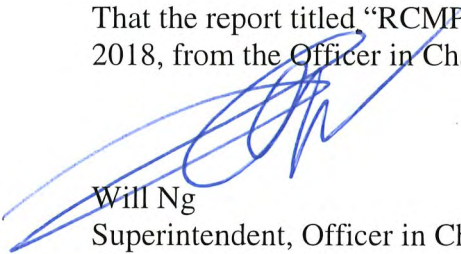
City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee
From: Will Ng, Superintendent
Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment
Date: September 12, 2018
File: 09-5000-01/2018-Vol
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Re: RCMP Monthly Activity Report – August 2018

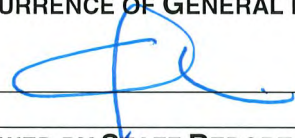

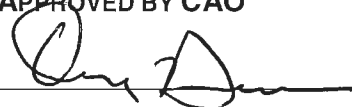
Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – August 2018”, dated September 12, 2018, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.



Will Ng
Superintendent, Officer in Charge
(604-278-1212)

Att. 3

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Staff Report

Origin

At the request of the Community Safety Committee, the Officer in Charge will keep Council informed on matters pertaining to policing in the Richmond community. This monthly activity report for the RCMP provides information on each of the following areas:

1. Activities and Noteworthy files
2. Analysis of Crime Statistics
3. Crime Trends Across Jurisdictions
4. Auxiliary Constable Program
5. Block Watch
6. Community Police Stations and Programs
7. Crime Prevention Unit
8. Road Safety Unit
9. Victim Services
10. Youth Section

This report supports Council's 2014-2018 Term Goal #1 A Safe Community:

Maintain emphasis on community safety to ensure Richmond continues to be a safe community.

Analysis

Activities and Noteworthy Files

Gang Arrests

On August 10, 2018, the Vancouver Police Department announced that 92 criminal charges were laid against 14 gang members involved in high profile organized crime groups. These arrests occurred as a result of a lengthy investigation, referred to as "Project Territory". The investigation involved a collaborative task force of numerous Lower Mainland police agencies, including the Richmond RCMP.

RCMP Musical Ride

On August 14, 2018, the RCMP's Musical Ride performed in Richmond. RCMP riders in Red Serge and their horses presented a choreographed performance at the Twin Oaks farm. This iconic event raises money across Canada for local charities and non-profit organizations. Community Policing volunteers and Auxiliary Constables worked over three days to set up and dismantle the venue.

Jewellery Theft

On August 14, 2018, Richmond RCMP officers responded to reports of a robbery at a jewellery store at Richmond Centre Mall. The three suspects entered the store posing as customers. Staff at

the store was preparing to display jewellery when the suspects pushed them out of the way and stole several items. No weapons were used in the robbery and there were no injuries. The incident is under investigation.

Assaults

On August 21, 2018, Richmond RCMP responded to two separate incidents of assault involving the use of pepper spray. The first incident involved two male suspects who pepper-sprayed two female victims as they left a business. In the second incident, two male suspects approached a victim near her vehicle and threatened her with pepper spray. She ran away before being sprayed. The incidents occurred less than an hour apart and appear to be related. The incidents are under investigation.

Drug Lab

On August 24, 2018, Richmond RCMP was called to the 11000 block of Kingfisher Drive to assist Richmond Fire-Rescue after the discovery of a synthetic drug lab. Police quickly set up roadblocks and evacuated surrounding residences. Partner agencies, including the RCMP Clandestine Laboratory Enforcement and Response Team and BC Emergency Health Service, assisted in order to ensure public and police safety. Richmond Detachment's Organized Crime Unit is investigating.

Analysis of Crime Statistics

Arson

In August 2018, there were four incidents of arson, which is up one from the previous month and one more than reported in August 2017. This number is within the five-year statistical average range. Year to date, the number of arsons is down 29 per cent from the same period last year.

Assault Serious (Assault with a Weapon)

There were 10 assault serious events in August 2018, which is down 47 per cent from the previous month, during which a significantly high number of offences were recorded. The number of assault files this month is within the five-year average range and represents a 41 per cent decline from August 2017. Year to date totals are down 10 per cent from the same period last year.

Auto Theft

There were 38 auto theft incidents this month, which is up 46 per cent from July 2018. The number of auto thefts this month is within the five-year average range and represents an eight per cent increase from August 2017. Year to date, there has been a 16 per cent decline in the number of auto thefts compared to the same period last year.

Drugs

In August 2018, there were 54 drug incidents, which is a 19 per cent decrease from the previous month. This number represents a five per cent decrease from August 2017 and remains within the five-year average range.

Mental Health

There were 120 mental health incidents in August 2018, which represents a 29 per cent decrease from July 2018 and a 13 per cent decrease from August 2017. The number of mental health incidents this month is within the five-year average range. Year to date totals indicate there has been a five per cent increase in mental health-related files over the same period last year.

The number of calls generated by a specific high volume client also declined this month.¹ The Detachment's Vulnerable Persons Unit continued proactive outreach, which likely helped to contribute to this reduction.

Residential Break and Enter

There were 66 break and enters to residences in August 2018, which is down one incident from the previous month. The total number of residential break and enters this month is outside the expected range and represents a 50 per cent increase from August 2017.

Year to date, the number of residential break and enters is 14 per cent higher than during the same period last year. Residential break and enters have been elevated for two consecutive months and this crime type has been identified as one of the Detachment's crime priorities. Although no major patterns have been identified, problem areas are being targeted.

Commercial Break and Enter

In August 2018, there were 36 break and enters to businesses, which is a 57 per cent increase from July 2018. This number marks a 33 per cent increase from August 2017 and remains within the five-year expected range. The increase can be attributed to a person of interest who has been identified and currently is under investigation.

Robbery

There were eight robbery incidents in August 2018, which is up one incident from the previous month. Although the total this month is elevated, it remains within the five-year average range. This number represents no change from August 2017.

¹ This individual had 10 files, down from 24 files in July 2018.

Sexual Assault

In August 2018, 16 sexual offence files were recorded, which is a 45 per cent increase from the previous month. The total number of sexual offences this month is 33 per cent higher than recorded in August 2017; however, the number remains within the five-year average range.

Generally, the month of August has the highest average number of sexual offences. Year to date totals for 2018 indicate that there has been a 58 per cent increase in the number of reported sexual offences compared to the same period in 2017. This month the events included: seven sexual assaults, three indecent acts and three sexual interference files. There are no patterns or trends.

Shoplifting

There were 60 shoplifting thefts in August 2018, which is an 11 per cent increase from the previous month and a 12 per cent decrease from August 2017. Reported shoplifting thefts are within the five-year expected range.

Theft from Auto

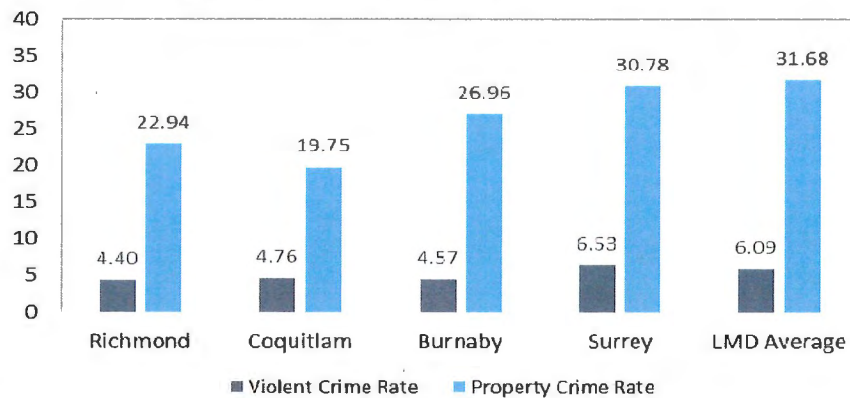
There were 170 theft from auto incidents in August 2018, which is a 16 per cent increase from the previous month and a seven per cent increase from August 2017. This number is within the five year average range.

Crime Trends across Jurisdictions

During the last few months, communities in the Lower Mainland District (LMD), policed by the RCMP, have experienced a downward trend in property crime. Year to date, Surrey, Burnaby and Coquitlam have all experienced significant declines in commercial and residential break and enters. Overall, property crime in Richmond mirrors this trend. Year to date, the number of property crimes in Richmond has declined by two per cent, including commercial break and enters. While residential break and enters have increased, as noted previously, the Detachment is actively targeting this crime type.

In order to facilitate a meaningful comparison of crime types across jurisdictions, data on crime rates is presented on the following page (Figure 1).² Out of the four largest RCMP Detachments in the LMD, Richmond had the lowest violent crime rate in August. Richmond's property crime rate also remains low ranking second lowest among Burnaby, Surrey, and Coquitlam in the Lower Mainland.

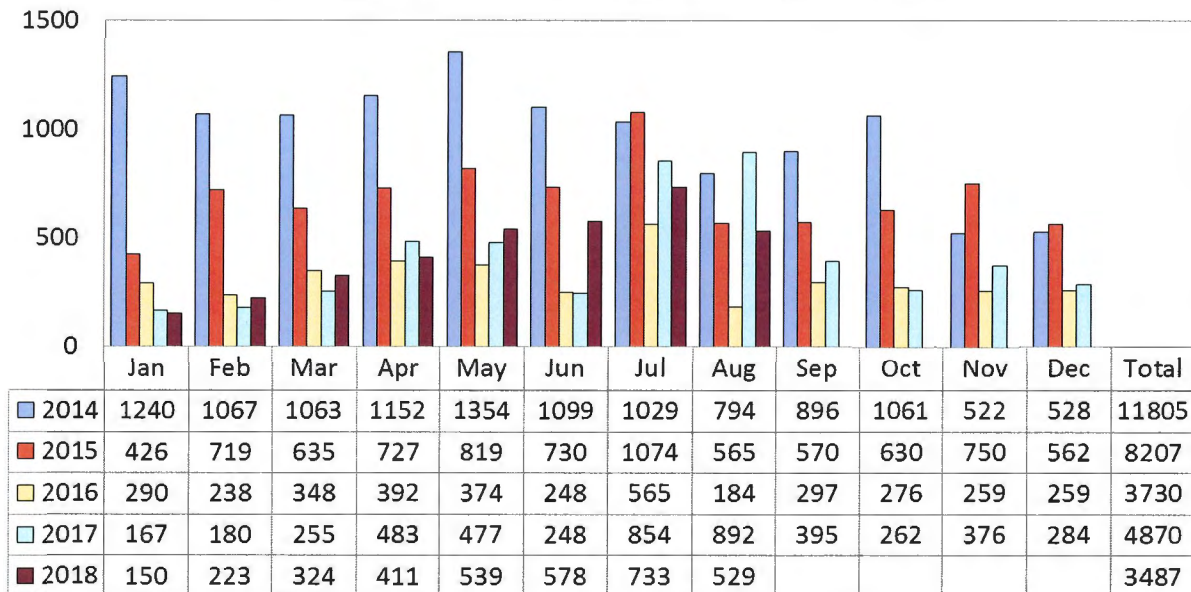
² Crime rate is calculated per 1,000 people (using 2017 populations)

Figure 1: August 2018 YTD Crime Rates

Auxiliary Constable Program

In August 2018, Richmond Detachment had a complement of 37 Auxiliary Constables. Auxiliary Constables provided a total of 529 volunteer hours during the month of August. In the coming months, the Province of BC and RCMP “E” Division are expected to announce the uniform and training standards for the new Tier 3 Auxiliary program, however the details of these changes are not yet available.³ Once these details are known, the Auxiliary Constable coordinator will commence recruitment of a new troop of Auxiliary Constables anticipated by the end 2018.

Figure 2 compares the monthly hours of service provided by month from 2014 to 2018.

Figure 2: Auxiliary Constable Volunteer Hours

³ <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/auxiliary-program-tiers>

Auxiliary Constable Activities

Auxiliary Constables attend events in the community to promote a positive police presence, support RCMP members and provide traffic and crowd control. During the month of August Auxiliary Constables participated in:

- All Aboard Steveston
- Crime Watch
- Home Security Checks
- Marine Patrol
- RCMP Musical Ride
- Pathways Visit
- “Pop-Up” Detachments
- Youth Summer Camps

Block Watch

At the end of August 2018, the Block Watch program had 459 groups totaling 10,478 participants. Currently, the program includes 611 captains and co-captains.

Community Police Station Programs

Community police stations continue to enhance the Detachment’s policing services by providing an array of crime prevention resources and community safety initiatives. City staff and volunteers pursue safety initiatives to enhance crime prevention program awareness, community engagement and police accessibility. These initiatives help to reduce anxiety and fear related to crime. The program activities vary from month to month reflective of weather conditions, seasonal initiatives, events and the availability of volunteers.

During the month of August volunteer highlights included:

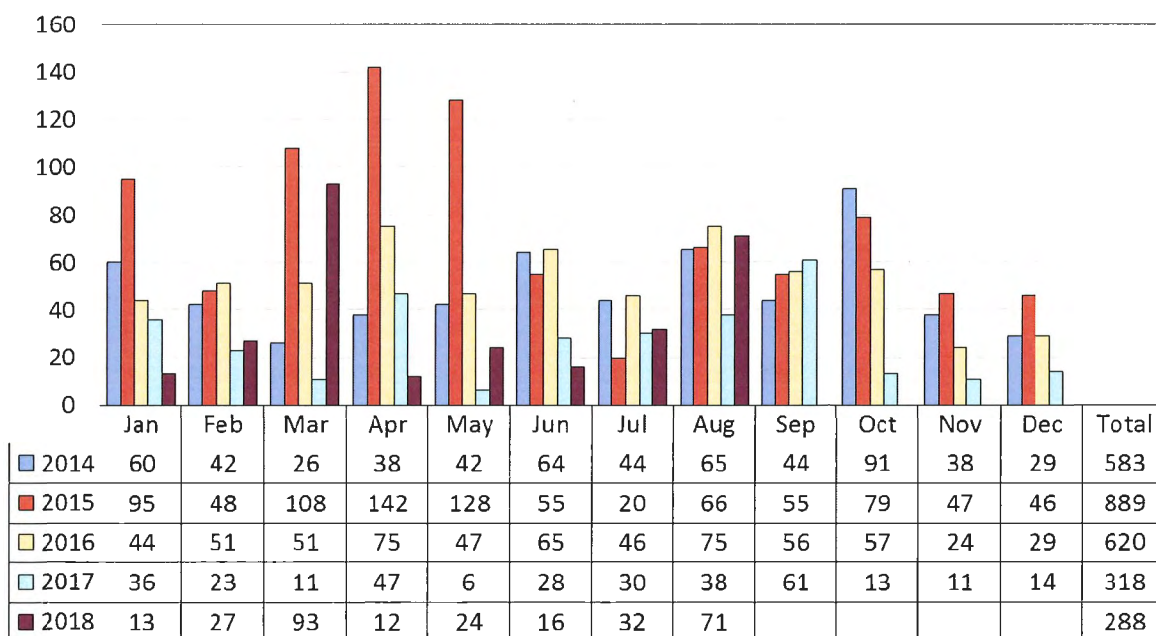
- The deployment of 44 foot/van patrols totalling 275 hours and 10 bike patrols totalling 96 hours.
- 45 Fail to Stop deployments, which resulted in 1,232 warning letters.
- Speed Watch was conducted on 5,434 vehicles at various locations.
- Two volunteer Speed Watch deployments occurred on River Road. These deployments resulted in 6 letters being sent out to registered vehicle owners.
- August 2 – Three volunteers assisted a Youth Section constable with a “Pop-Up Detachment” in Steveston. They issued Lock Out Auto Crime notices and promoted the Project 529 bike registry.
- August 13 to 15 – A total of 14 volunteers assisted with the RCMP Musical Ride, including the site set up and take down and delineating parking and seating areas.
- August 15 – After receiving a Speed Watch referral from a community stakeholder, Speed Watch was conducted on Ferguson Way. Eleven notices were issued.
- August 18 – Four volunteers assisted an RCMP member at the All Aboard Steveston event and promoted the Project 529 bike registry.

- August 21 – Seven volunteers assisted a Youth Section constable with a “Pop Up Detachment” in Steveston. They issued Lock Out Auto Crime notices and promoted the Project 529 bike registry.
- August 24 – Two volunteers on Volunteer Van Patrol located a stolen vehicle.
- August 26 – Two volunteers on Volunteer Bike Patrol found a vehicle that had just been broken into and contacted police.
- August 29 – Ten volunteers participated in Cambie Summer Nights. They distributed Lock Out Auto Crime notices, assisted with Fatal Vision goggles and conducted bike patrols. Volunteers also assisted a parent who could not locate her child.

Distracted Drivers

Figure 3 provides a yearly comparison of the number of letters sent to registered vehicle owners.⁴

Figure 3: Distracted Driver Letters Sent



⁴ The total for March 2018 includes 92 warning letters sent as a result of the multiple Distracted Driving Campaign Blitzes which occurred that month.

Lock-Out Auto Crime

Figure 4 provides a comparison by year of the number of vehicle notices issued.

Figure 4: Lock Out Auto Crime Vehicles Issued a Notice

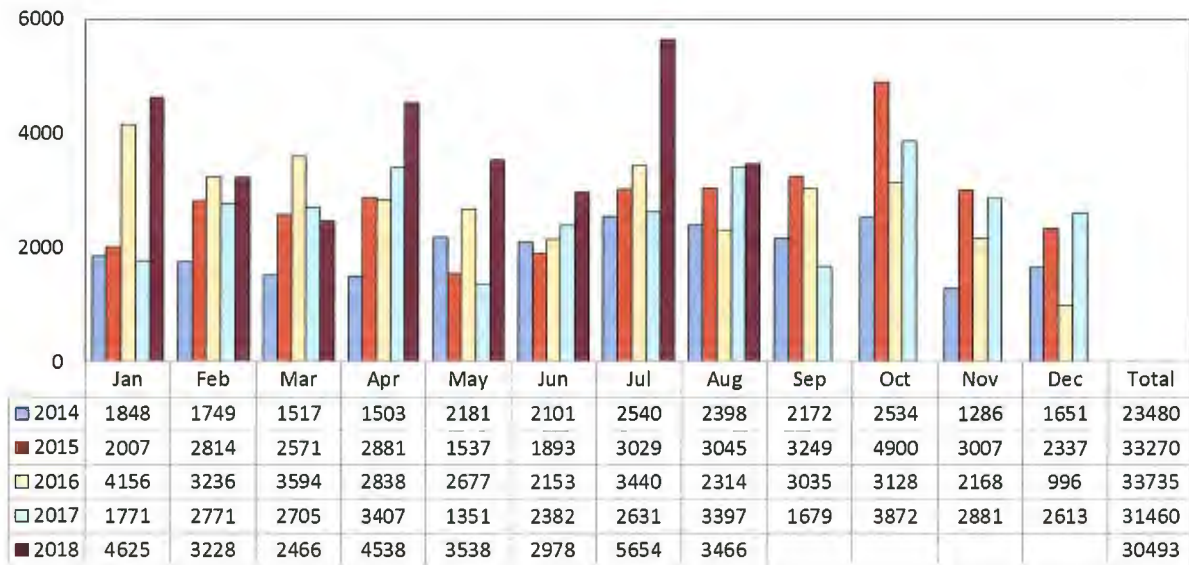
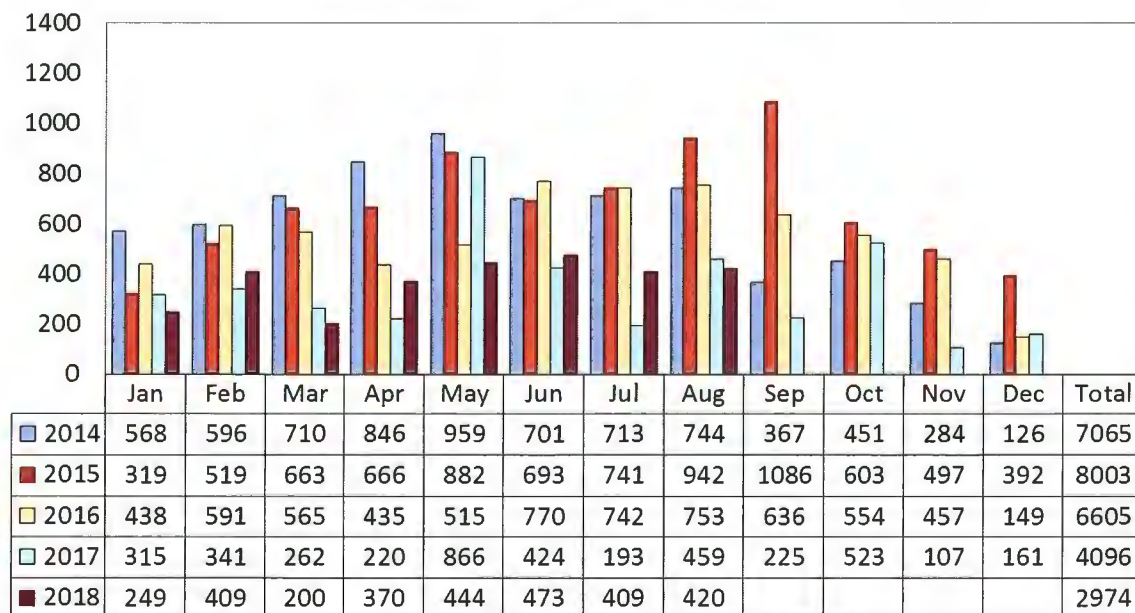
*Speed Watch*

Figure 5 provides a yearly comparison of the number of letters sent to registered vehicle owners.

Figure 5: Speed Watch Letters Sent



Crime Prevention Unit

The Crime Prevention Unit reduces crime and enhances community engagement through public awareness and dialogue initiatives. During the month of August, the Crime Prevention Unit participated in the following events/activities:

- All Aboard Steveston
- RCMP Musical Ride
- “Pop-Up” Detachments
- Red Serge Boardwalk Patrols
- Vulnerable Institution Patrols
- Vulnerable Persons Patrols

Road Safety Unit

The Road Safety Unit makes Richmond’s roads safer through evidence-based traffic enforcement, investigation of serious vehicle collisions and public education programs. The following statistics compare August 2018 data to both June 2018 and July 2018. The Moving Violations category refers to violations such as unsafe lane change and unsafe passing. The Vehicle category refers to motor vehicle regulation defects such as no insurance and no lights. The Other category refers to other motor vehicle infractions such as miscellaneous charges including fail to remain at the scene of accident and failing to stop for police.

Violation Tickets were issued for the following infractions:

Infraction	June 2018	July 2018	August 2018
Distracted Driving	98	81	57
Driver License	188	227	162
Impaired	24	31	31
Intersection offences	97	125	93
Moving Violations	107	132	225
Speeding	258	562	271
Seatbelts	19	10	11
Vehicle Related	77	61	55
Other	30	13	3
Total	996	1242	908

Parking Tickets:

Name	Act	Example	June 2018	July 2018	Aug 2018
Parking	Municipal Bylaw	Municipal parking offences	20	26	26

Victim Services

In August 2018, Richmond RCMP Victim Services attended to 71 new clients and attended 16 crime/trauma scenes. The unit currently maintains an active caseload of 148 ongoing files. Victim Services responded to a number of cases involving property crime, family conflict and medical-related sudden deaths.

Youth Section

The Detachment's Youth Section focuses on strategies that contribute to safe and healthy behaviours essential to the development of productive and civically minded adults. During the month of August, Youth Section highlights include:

- Youth Section members participated in several community centre day camps during the summer and engaged with youth on a variety of subjects.
- Youth Section members participated in a "Pop-Up" Detachment in Steveston Village, promoting crime prevention initiatives. Over 150 bicycles were added to the Project 529 registry. Members also issued 20 Positive Tickets to youth at the event.
- Members of Youth Section conducted curfew checks for a number of court ordered youth in the community who are on curfews.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

The Officer in Charge, Richmond Detachment continues to ensure Richmond remains a safe and desirable community.



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- Att. 1: Community Policing Programs
2: Crime Statistics
3: Crime Maps

Auxiliary Constables

- The primary mandate of Richmond's Auxiliary Constables is to support community policing activities related to public safety and crime prevention.
- For more information, visit www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/auxiliary.htm

Block Watch

- Community-based crime prevention program aimed at helping neighbors organize themselves to prevent crime.
- Residents can receive email alerts of neighbourhood residential break and enters by registering their email addresses at: blockwatch@richmond.ca
- For more information, visit www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/blockwatch.htm

Difference Maker Project

- The Difference Maker Project is an off-shoot of the School Sports Programs. Elementary school students are mentored by teachers, police officers and community ambassadors. This activity aims to encourage social and civic responsibility amongst elementary and secondary school aged youth through community projects.

Distracted Driving Program

- Trained volunteers monitor intersections and observe distracted drivers.
- A letter is sent to the registered owner of the offending vehicle with information on the safety risks associated to the observed behaviour and applicable fine amounts.
- For more information, visit www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/programs.htm

Fail to Stop

- Trained volunteers monitor areas that have been referred to the program by local businesses or residents where drivers are not making a full stop at the stop sign, or running a red light.
- An information letter is sent to the registered owner of the vehicle advising them the date, time and location and applicable fine amounts if the driver received a violation ticket.

Lock Out Auto Crime

- Co-sponsored by the Insurance Corporation of BC (ICBC), volunteers patrol city streets and parking lots looking for automobile security vulnerabilities.
- Notices supplied by ICBC are issued to every vehicle inspected indicating to the owner what issues need to be addressed in order to keep the vehicle and contents secure.
- For more information, visit
- www.richmond.ca/safety/police/personal/vehicle.htm

Project 529

- This program allows riders to easily and securely register their bikes. This up-to-date database of bikes alerts its registrants if a fellow 529 bike is stolen.
- Project 529 is a unique, multi-national registry that holds a database of all registered and stolen bikes.

Speed Watch

- Co-sponsored by ICBC, promotes safe driving habits by alerting drivers of their speed.
- Trained volunteers are equipped with radar and a speed watch reader board that gives drivers instant feedback regarding their speed.
- Volunteers record the license plate number and the speed, and a letter is sent to the registered owner of the offending vehicle. The letter includes the date, time and location and applicable fine amounts if the driver received a violation ticket.

Stolen Auto Recovery

- Co-sponsored by ICBC, trained volunteers equipped with portable computers identify stolen vehicles.
- These volunteers recover hundreds of stolen vehicles each year throughout the Lower Mainland.

Volunteer Bike and Foot Patrol Program

- Trained volunteers patrol Richmond neighbourhoods reporting suspicious activities and providing a visible deterrent to crime and public order issues.

AUGUST 2018 STATISTICS

RICHMOND RCMP

This chart identifies the monthly totals for founded Criminal Code incidents, excluding traffic-related Criminal Code incidents. Based on Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) scoring, there are three categories: (1) Violent Crime, (2) Property Crime, and (3) Other Criminal Code. Within each category, particular offence types are highlighted in this chart. In addition, monthly totals for Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) incidents and MHA-related calls for service are included. Individual UCR codes are indicated below the specific crime type. For 2017, some inclusion criteria have been modified to improve accuracy and accommodate RCMP scoring regulations. For more information, contact Richmond Crime Analysts.

The Average Range data is based on activity in a single month over the past 5 years. If the current monthly total for an offence is above the expected average range (using a standard deviation), it will be noted in **red**, while below expected numbers will be noted in **blue**. Year-to-Date percentage increases of more than 10% are marked in **red**, while decreases of more than 10% are **blue**.

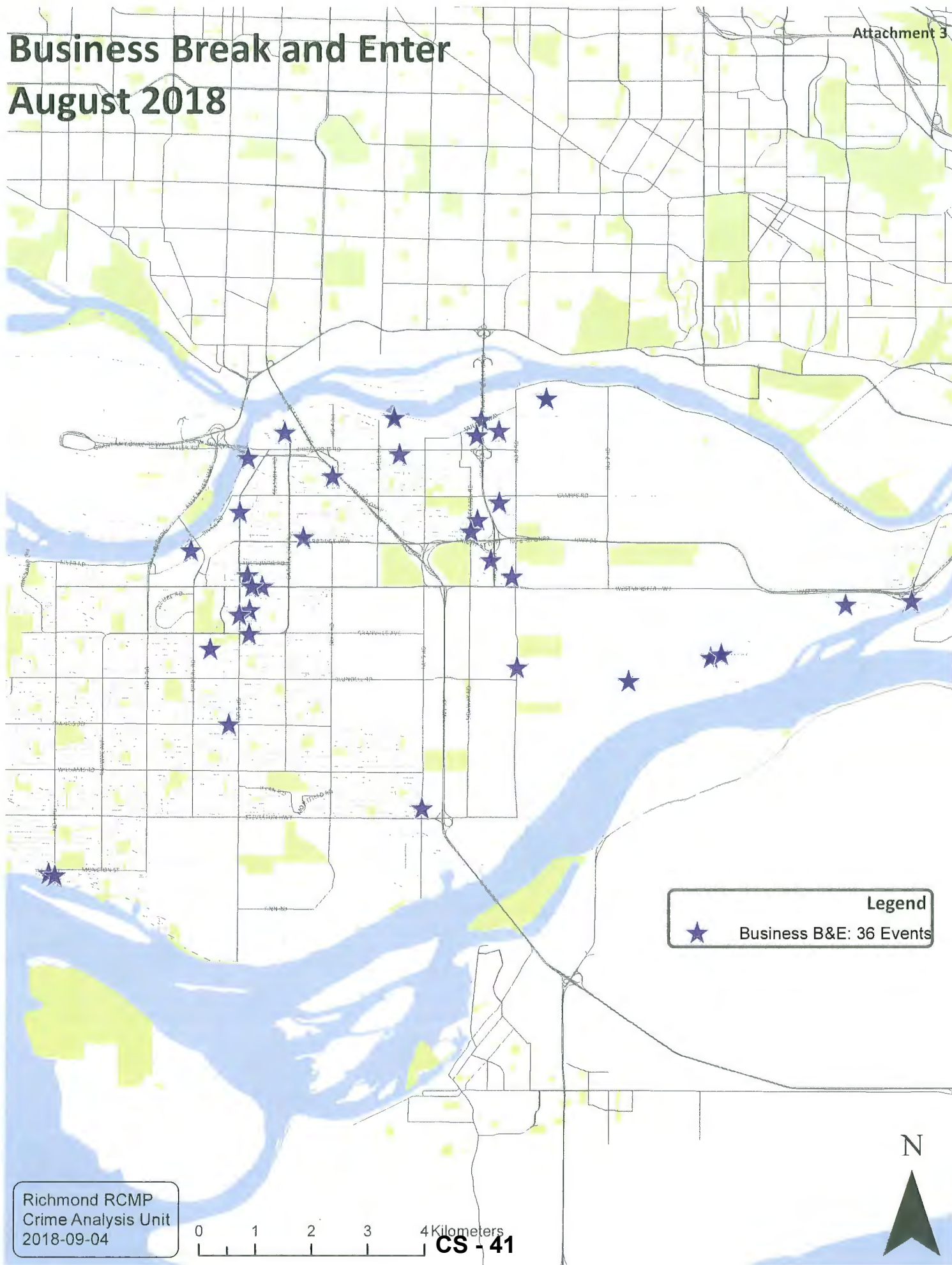
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	Aug-18	August		2017	2018	% Change	# Change
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	146	114.2	104-124	922	880	-5%	-42
Robbery <small>UCR 810 (1-3)</small>	8	6.6	5-8	39	40	3%	1
Assault Common <small>UCR 430</small>	42	40.6	34-47	310	312	1%	2
Assault Serious <small>UCR 410 420</small>	10	11.4	8-15	104	94	-10%	-10
Sexual Offences <small>UCR 345 330 355 330</small>	16	12.8	8-17	64	101	58%	37
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	641	675.2	622-728	5183	5097	-2%	-86
Business B&E <small>UCR 220 1</small>	36	28.8	19-38	268	258	-4%	-10
Residential B&E <small>UCR 220-2</small>	66	54.4	45-64	423	484	14%	61
Auto Theft <small>UCR 235 (10) 2178</small>	38	31.0	22-40	222	186	-16%	-36
Theft from Auto <small>UCR 232 242</small>	170	177.8	151-205	1371	1536	12%	165
Theft <small>UCR 230 240</small>	95	120.0	103-137	767	703	-8%	-64
Shoplifting <small>UCR 233 243</small>	60	63.0	58-68	422	501	19%	79
Fraud <small>UCR 236 (40) 235 236</small>	52	64.8	58-72	606	575	-5%	-31
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	206	221.4	204-239	1392	1457	5%	65
Arson <small>UCR 325 210</small>	4	5.6	3-8	28	20	-29%	-8
SUBTOTAL CC OFFENCES (UCR 1000 to 3000 Series)	993	1010.2	963-1058	7497	7434	-1%	-63
DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	54	62.8	47-78	485	443	-9%	-42
MHA RELATED CALLS (MHA files or Mental Health flag)	120	113.0	97-129	972	1019	5%	47

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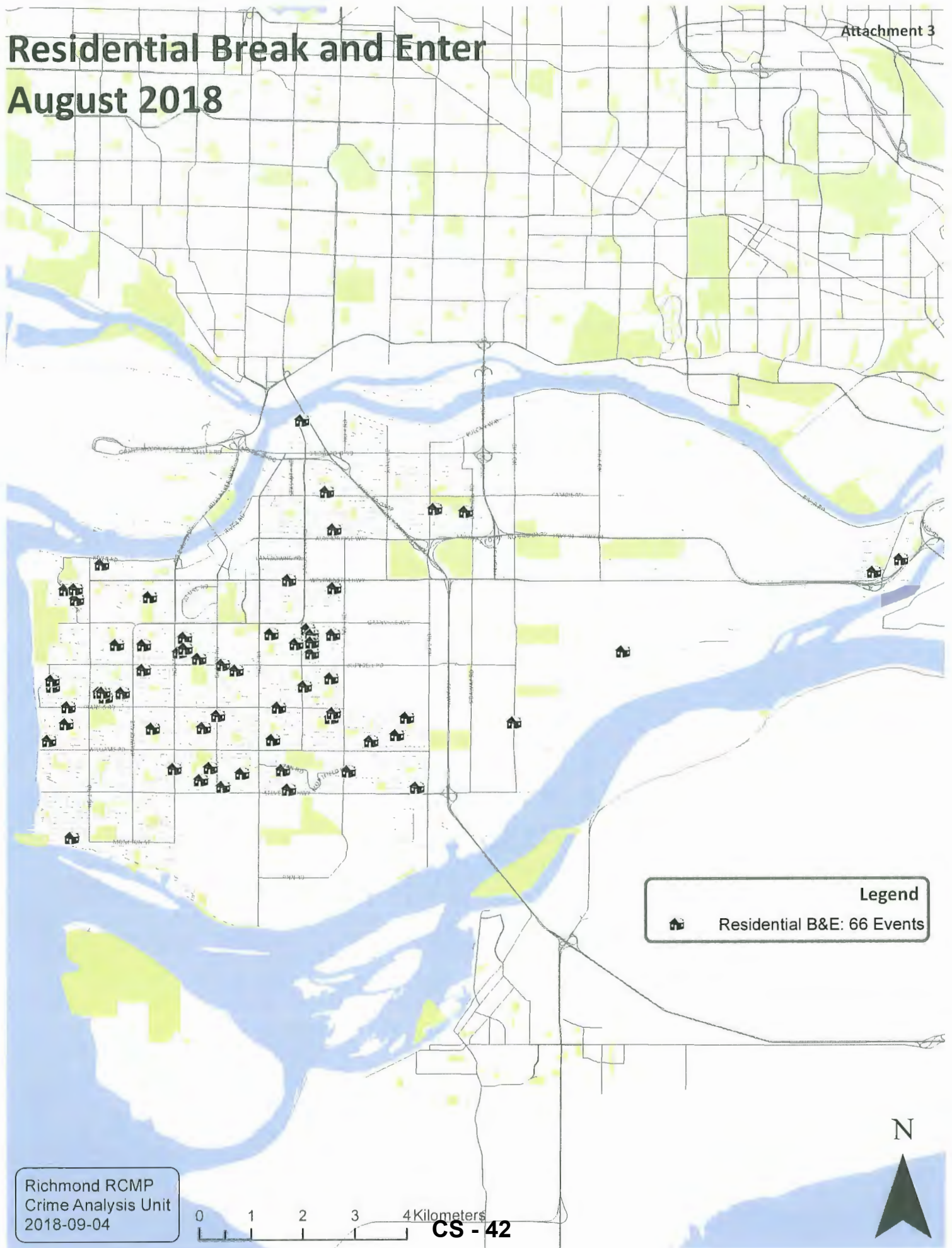
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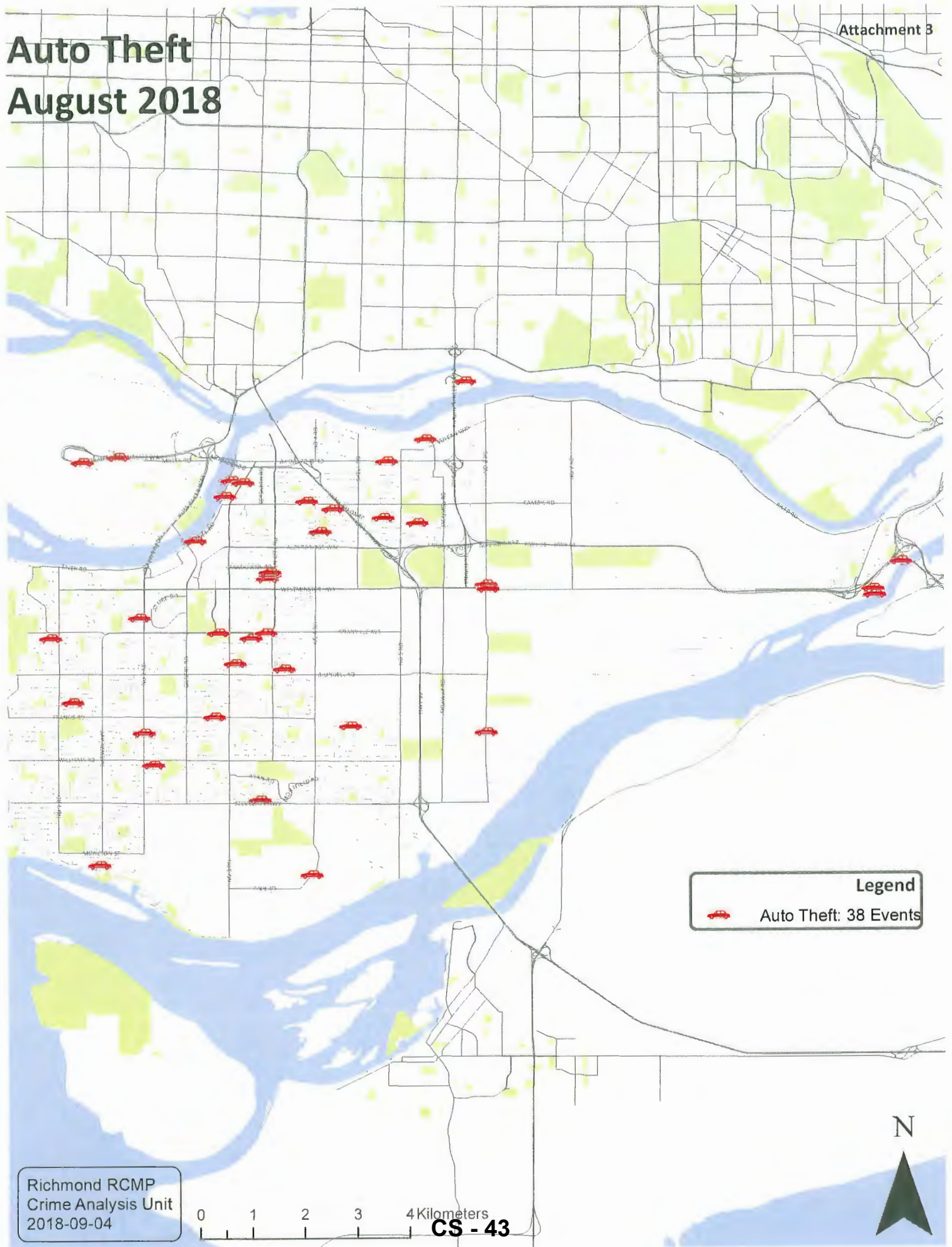
Business Break and Enter August 2018



Residential Break and Enter August 2018



Auto Theft August 2018



Theft from Auto August 2018

