



Community Safety Committee

**Anderson Room, City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road**

**Tuesday, December 10, 2019
4:00 p.m.**

Pg. # ITEM

MINUTES

- CS-4** *Motion to adopt the **minutes** of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on November 13, 2019.*



NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

Tuesday, January 14, 2020, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – OCTOBER 2019**
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01/20) (REDMS No. 6340325)

CS-11

See Page CS-11 for full report

Designated Speaker: Carli Williams and Susan Lloyd

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – October 2019”, dated November 15, 2019, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.



2. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – OCTOBER 2019**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6343133)

CS-19

See Page CS-19 for full report

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – October 2019”, dated November 15, 2019, from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.



3. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson

Items for discussion:

(i) *Christmas Tree Chipping Event*

(ii) *Public Accessible Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) at Fire Halls*

4. **2019-2020 RICHMOND RCMP DETACHMENT ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN SECOND QUARTER RESULTS (JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2019)**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6333024 v.3)

CS-29

See Page CS-29 for full report

Designated Speaker: Superintendent William Ng

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled “2019-2020 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan Second Quarter Results (July 1 to September 30, 2019)”, dated November 7, 2019 from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.



5. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - OCTOBER 2019**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6332488 v.5)

CS-35

[See Page CS-35 for full report](#)

Designated Speaker: Superintendent William Ng

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – October 2019”, dated November 13, 2019, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.



6. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Supt. William Ng

Items for discussion:

(i) *Toy Drive Results*

7. **MANAGER’S REPORT**

ADJOURNMENT





Community Safety Committee

Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2019

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Kelly Greene
Councillor Harold Steves

Also Present: Councillor Michael Wolfe

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on October 16, 2019, be adopted.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

Tuesday, December 10, 2019, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

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COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. TOUCHSTONE FAMILY ASSOCIATION RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CONTRACT RENEWAL & ANNUAL PERFORMANCE OUTCOME EVALUATION REPORT

(File Ref. No. 09-5350-01) (REDMS No. 6327158)

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) statistics regarding re-offending rates for those who do not participate in the program are not collected, (ii) Union of BC Municipalities has put forward many requests to the Province for funding for the restorative justice program, and (iii) the program is tailored for youth and adults with no specific age range.

Judy Valsonis, Executive Director, Touchstone Family Association, noted that (i) the survey provided at the end of the program has been a successful tool to receive feedback from participants and their supporters, (ii) Touchstone is exploring options to provide a pilot program to the schools in Richmond, and (iii) Touchstone has an ongoing relationship with the RCMP and collaborate with them on youth crime and other challenging cases, such as the assault incident at the library.

Discussion ensued regarding a press release to inform the public on the restorative justice system and process.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That Council approve a six per cent increase in annual funding and renew the contract with Touchstone Family Association for the provision of Restorative Justice for three-years (2020-2022); and*
- (2) That the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Community Safety, be authorized to execute the renewal of the contract with Touchstone Family Association under the same terms and conditions described in this report; and*
- (3) That the staff report titled "Touchstone Family Association Restorative Justice Contract Renewal & Annual Performance Outcome Evaluation Report" be forwarded to the Council/School Board Liaison Committee for information.*

CARRIED

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2. EMERGENCY PROGRAMS QUARTERLY ACTIVITY REPORT – THIRD QUARTER 2019

(File Ref. No. 09-5126-01) (REDMS No. 6327859)

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled “Emergency Programs Quarterly Activity Report – Third Quarter 2019”, dated October 21, 2019, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS LICENCE QUARTERLY REPORT - THIRD QUARTER 2019

(File Ref. No. 12-8375-03) (REDMS No. 6326509)

In response to queries from Committee, Carli Williams, Manager, Community Bylaws and Licencing, noted that (i) of the 11 tickets issued in September during an illegal ride-hailing blitz, all but one ticket has been appealed, (ii) the City has not collected any funds from tickets as the Provincial court dates for the appeals are set for 2020, and (iii) there are significant expenses associated with issuing tickets as the administrative work is significantly time consuming.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled “Business Licences Quarterly Report – Third Quarter 2019”, dated October 17, 2019, from the General Manager Community Safety be received for information.

CARRIED

4. COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2019

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 6316208)

In response to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) Bylaw officers collaborate with Richmond schools and proactively issue tickets in school zones, (ii) Richmond has a no idling policy; however, the majority of tickets issued in school zones are vehicles stopped in no stopping zones, (iii) fences are measured from the ground regardless of the grade, (iv) the soil infraction site along Highway 91 between No. 7 Road and No. 8 Road is under investigation as the property is owned by the Province and Bylaws is in discussions with the farmer to protect the surrounding trees, (v) the City charges permit fees for approved soil dumping sites and when non-compliant sites are identified, the City works with the sites to come into compliance, and (vi) the Bylaws department is in the process of filling three staff positions.

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It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – September 2019", dated October 16, 2019, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

5. RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2019

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6325231)

Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson, Richmond Fire-Rescue, distributed a reusable pocket ashtray and a Fire Safety booklet to educate Grade 2 students about fire safety (Copy on file, City Clerk's Office).

In response to a query from Committee, Fire Chief Wilkinson noted that Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR) was the first fire department in British Columbia to offer pet general resuscitation and provide leashes and crates for rescued animals.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – September 2019", dated October 18, 2019, from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.

CARRIED

6. FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

(i) Post Halloween Operations Update

In response to queries from Committee, Fire Chief Wilkinson noted that (i) discussions with the Vancouver Fire Chief are underway and the City of Richmond will continue to work with the City of Vancouver with regard to a fireworks bylaw, (ii) RFR collaborates with all City departments and the Richmond School Board to ensure the public has a safe Halloween, and (iii) a significant decrease in property damage has been observed since the firework ban and having active patrols throughout the City has also deterred any negative activities.

(ii) Lighting of the Hamilton Fire Hall and Open House

Fire Chief Wilkinson invited Council to attend the lighting of the Hamilton Fire Hall and Open House taking place Thursday, December 5, 2019 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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(iii) Public Education

Fire Chief Wilkinson updated Committee members on a new workbook featuring Baby Blaze, to educate Grade 2 students about fire safety. He advised that the workbook is illustrated by a local artist, who is also a Vancouver Police Department officer.

The Fire Chief spoke on the portable cigarette ashtray, noting that it is reusable and ensures there is no heat transfer. He highlighted that RFR will distribute portable ashtrays throughout fire safety programs during the spring and look for opportunities to work with specific groups and attend specific sites to provide information and portable ashtrays to the public.

In response to queries from Committee, Fire Chief Wilkinson noted that it is a challenging issue to educate the public on teaching children the difference between a real fireplace and an ornamental fireplace.

(iv) Transition of Dispatch Service System

Fire Chief Wilkinson highlighted the new global dispatch system in partnership with E-Comm starting November 18, 2019, that enables RFR to identify the location of the fire trucks, calculate the distance and travel time and dispatch the closest vehicle.

(v) Service Levels

Fire Chief Wilkinson highlighted that (i) a fully active rescue company with 24/7 coverage will be stationed in Steveston beginning December 1, 2019, (ii) an additional 17 staff have been hired, (iii) Steveston fire hall has been updated, (iv) a Request for Proposal has been issued to companies for new fire equipment, (v) RFR will receive a new fire engine in January, (vi) an additional 12 firefighters will be hired and another recruitment cycle will take place for 2021, and (vii) an operational engine company in the downtown core by the second quarter of 2021.

7. RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2019

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6298329)

Superintendent Will Ng, Richmond RCMP, reviewed statistics from the staff report.

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In response from queries from Committee, Superintendent Ng noted that (i) there are ongoing awareness campaigns on social media regarding safe driving, (ii) enforcement has resulted in a decrease of speeding in Steveston, (iii) letters are sent to drivers for speeding or not fully stopping at stop signs, (iv) RCMP work closely with ICBC in creating road safety awareness through the RCMP Twitter account and post examples to educate the public, (v) there is an investigation into the driverless car incident that took place at Richmond Centre, (vi) the RCMP has executed speed enforcement along River Road and have seen positive effects, (vii) RCMP are exploring options to collaborate with local universities to conduct research with regards to trends or patterns behind the increase in mental health calls, (viii) RCMP monitors traffic patterns and traffic flow, (ix) there has not been an increase in homeless individuals due to the modular housing in Richmond, and (x) no criminal charges have been laid regarding the Hong Kong protest at Aberdeen station on October 5, 2019.

In response to a further query from Committee, Cecilia Achiam, General Manager, Community Safety, noted that the Province is passing new legislation under Bill 19 allowing properties to be seized due to money laundering and the Province is in the exploration stage of having a federal registry of numbered companies.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report – September 2019", dated October 4, 2019, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

CARRIED

8. RCMP/OIC BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

(i) Richmond RCMP 5th Annual Toy Drive – November 16, 2019

Superintendent Ng invited Council to attend the 5th Annual Toy Drive taking place at Ironwood Mall on Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and highlighted that the 2018 Toy Drive was able to support 2394 residents.

(ii) Halloween

Superintendent Ng advised that there were 43 additional officers patrolling on Halloween.

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(iii) Project 529 Bicycle Registrations

Superintendent Ng noted that during Bike to Work week officers were out on Railway Avenue and Blundell Road promoting Project 529 resulting in 7 new bicycle registrations.

8A. FULL SERVICE GAS STATIONS

(File Ref. No.)

Discussion took place on full service gas stations and the specifics of what the service entails, and in response to queries, Cecilia Achiam, General Manager, Community Safety, noted that staff will review Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500 and the details of the level of service required by full service gas stations and provide an update.

9. MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (5:10 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 Wednesday, November 13, 2019.

Councillor Bill McNulty
Chair

Stephanie Walrond
Legislative Services Coordinator



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee

Date: November 15, 2019

From: Cecilia Achiam
General Manager, Community Safety

File: 12-8060-01/20-Vol01

Re: Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – October 2019

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – October 2019”, dated November 15, 2019, 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 Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #1 A Safe and Resilient City:

Enhance safety services and strategies to meet community needs.

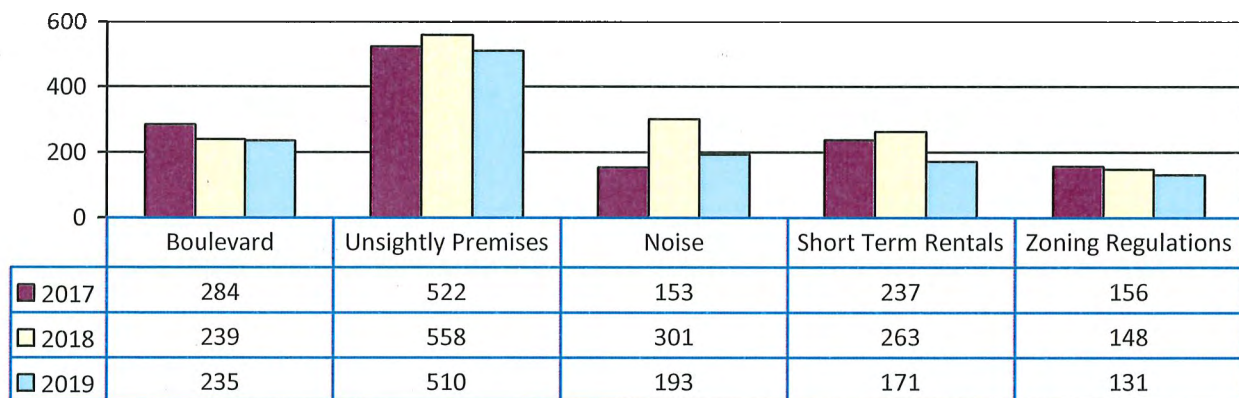
Analysis

Property Use

Property Use enforcement matters are divided among several groups in Community Bylaws, Engineering, Business Licencing and Vancouver Coastal Health. Figure 1 shows the calls for service (files opened) by Property Use Inspectors in the Community Bylaws department. Figure 2 shows all other property related enforcement.

Calls for service have continued to decrease in October, allowing enforcement staff to catch up on complex files. Staff remain redeployed to cover vacancies in other areas of bylaw enforcement, including sign and business licence enforcement. These vacancies will be filled as soon as possible in order to reduce impacts to service.

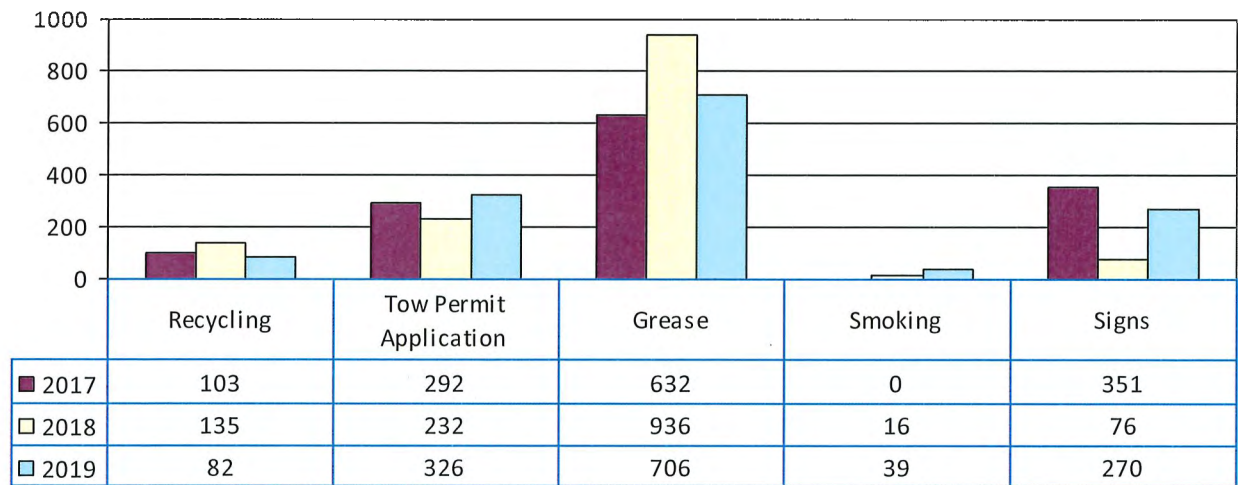
Figure 1: Property Use Calls For Service - October Year-To-Date Comparison



Grease

The Grease Officer remains focused on education and communication. During the month of October, the Grease Officer undertook 52 grease-trap inspections which are reflected in the cumulative total shown in figure 2. There were two violation notices issued for contraventions of the Drainage, Dike and Sanitary Sewer System Bylaw No. 7551.

Figure 2: Other Calls For Service - October Year-To-Date Comparison



Soils

The Soil Bylaw Officer continues to respond to complaints and issues of non-compliance with Soil Removal & Fill Deposit Regulation Bylaw No. 8094 (Soil Bylaw). During the month of October, the Soil Bylaw Officer conducted 63 site inspections and issued two violation notices for non-compliance of the Soil Bylaw.

The Officer is currently managing 35 sites that are considered non-compliant. Of the 35 sites, one was issued two tickets for not complying with an order to remove illegal fill. The majority of the other non-compliant sites are working with the Soil Bylaw Officer towards compliance while a few of the sites are being dealt with through the courts and staff are awaiting decisions or trial dates.

There are an additional 12 soil deposit proposals under various stages of review by City staff. Three of these applications were considered at an October meeting of the Food Security and Agricultural Advisory committee and one will be coming forward in November 2019 and the others in the first quarter of 2020, for Council consideration.

Dog Licencing and Patrols

During the month of October, 63 dogs were licenced. As of October, the total amount of dogs licenced to date is 7,302

Regional Animal Protection Society (RAPS) Officers conduct monthly rotational patrols of the dikes, parks and school grounds within the City. The following were patrolled during the month of October, with an emphasis on Capstan Village Park, South Arm Park and Garry Point due to numerous dog off-leash complaints. The visual presence of bylaw enforcement officers can often lead to dog owners/walkers being more mindful with compliance and keeping their dogs on

leash. As a result of the patrols listed below, three bylaw violation notices for dog off-leash were issued under the Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932.

- South Arm Park – one ticket issued
- Garry Point – two tickets issued
- Steveston Village
- Railway Trail
- South Dyke Trail
- Capstan Village Park
- Talmey Park
- Walter Lee Elementary
- Woodward's Slough
- Garden City Park
- Steveston Park
- Hugh Boyd Secondary
- Odlin Park
- Terra Nova
- McLean Park
- King George Park
- McDonald Beach
- Cambie Secondary

Parking

For the month of October, officers conducted their assigned elementary school patrols on Halloween during which they handed out stickers and activity books to students. Officers continue to enforce weight restricted roads, specifically No. 8 Road, which resulted in a total of 18 tickets being issued for violation of weight restricted roads by overweight vehicles. For the month of October, Community Bylaws received 288 calls for service for parking related offences for a year to date total of 2,587.

Figure 3 reflects monthly and year-to-date parking enforcement activity measured by violation issuance. The corresponding revenue is reflected in Figure 4.

Figure 3: Parking Violations Issuance Comparison

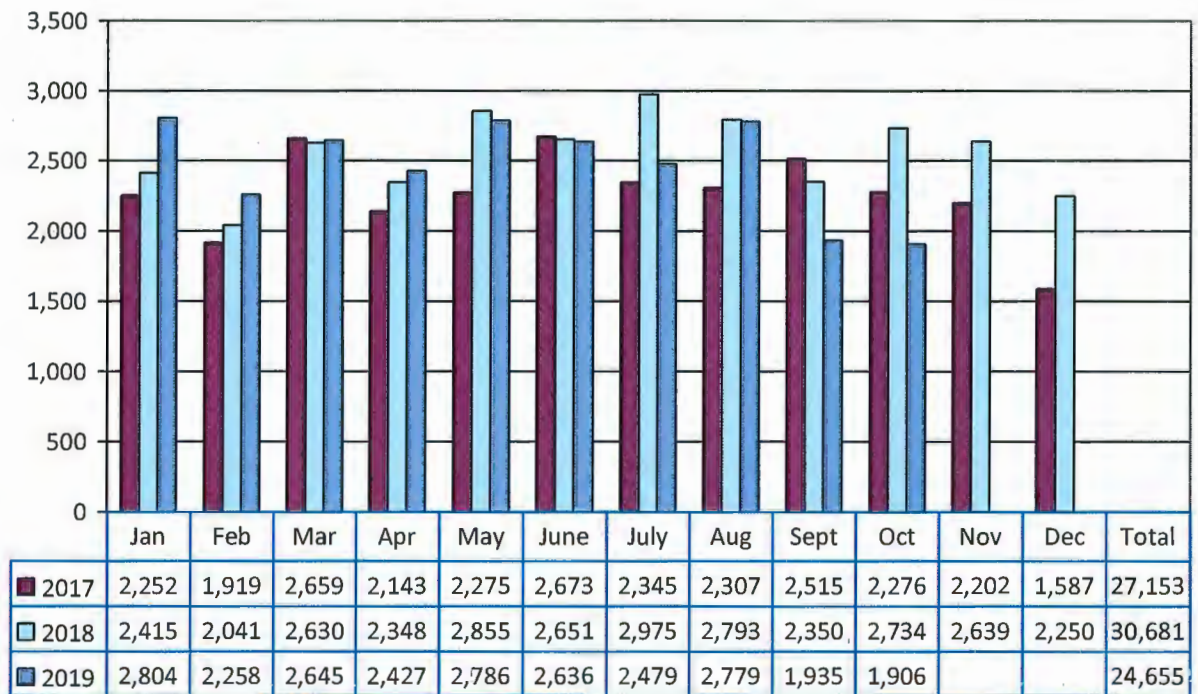


Figure 4: Consolidated Parking Program Revenue Comparison (000's)



All Enforcement Activity

While parking violations make up the majority of tickets issued by City of Richmond bylaw enforcement staff, there are a number of other categories which are of interest to the public. Table 1 shows the number of violations in parking plus those in other categories. The number of tickets issued, in areas other than parking, is not necessarily an indication of staff effort as staff are instructed to pursue compliance as the main goal which sometimes is better served with a warning instead of a ticket.

Table 1: Community Bylaw Violations

Ticket Issuance (BVN's & MTI's)	October	YTD
Short-Term Rental Offences	6	48
Soil Removal & Fill Deposit Offences	2	27
Grease Trap Offences	2	11
Parking & Stopping Offences	1,906	24,655
Animal Control Offences	48	431
Totals	1,964	25,172

Bylaw Adjudication

The next adjudication is scheduled for December 10, 2019.

Revenue and Expenses

The Community Bylaws Department derives most of its revenue from parking meters, parking permits and parking violations with the remainder of revenue generated from dog licences, false alarm incidents, tow permits and other permits and bylaw fines. Figures for individual revenue types are shown in Table 2 and revenue and expenses for the three main programs within Community Bylaws is shown in Table 3.

The trend for higher than forecast revenue and lower than forecast expenses continued in the month of October. With just two months left in the year, it is expected that the Community Bylaws department will return revenue to the City rather than result in an expense.

Table 2: Department Revenue by Source

Program Revenue	Budget Oct 2019	Actual Oct 2019	YTD Budget Oct 2019	YTD Actual Oct 2019
Contract Revenue ¹	0	5,000	0	50,000
Filming Revenue	0	3,385	0	27,535
False Alarm	4,442	244	44,417	20,207
Dog Licences	7,441	3,872	187,859	200,281

¹ City Towing Contract with Rusty's Towing

Towing Permits	632	3,510	14,137	23,096
Other Permits ²	1,502	600	33,586	42,107
Other Bylaw Fines ³	1,788	8,675	40,890	141,460
Parking Revenue ⁴	170,484	153,257	1,657,452	1,762,233
Receivable Income ⁵	8,345	6,413	81,135	38,636
Total Revenue	194,634	184,956	2,059,476	2,305,555

² Newspaper box and soil permit applications

³ Property Use and Animal control violations

⁴ Parking Revenue consists of Parking Meters, Monthly Parking Permits, and Parking Enforcement

⁵ Receivable Income consists of Night Market Recoveries

Table 3: Revenue and Expenses by Program in Community Bylaws

Community Bylaws by Program		YTD Budget Oct 2019	YTD Actual Oct 2019
Parking	Revenue	1,738,589	1,878,404
	Expenses	1,251,482	1,125,863
	Net Revenue	487,107	752,541
Animal Control	Revenue	195,883	232,386
	Expenses	228,442	195,990
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(32,559)	36,396
Property Use	Revenue	125,005	194,764
	Expenses	951,238	751,714
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(826,233)	(556,950)
Total Net Revenue (Expense)		(371,685)	231,987

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

During the month of October, Community Bylaws continued to see Officers focusing on enforcement during school patrols while also attending to assigned file work. Staff remain committed to educating the public and enforcing the city's bylaws which includes ticketing.



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Enforcement and Animal Control
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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee

Date: November 15, 2019

From: Tim Wilkinson
Fire Chief

File: 09-5000-01/2019-Vol 01

Re: Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – October 2019

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – October 2019”, dated November 15, 2019, 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:
APPROVED BY CAO 	

Staff Report

Origin

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #1 A Safe and Resilient City:

Enhance and protect the safety and well-being of Richmond.

Analysis

Community Involvement

RFR advances public safety awareness, education and community connections by providing valuable training activities, participation in community events and social media updates.

During October staff engaged with 100 children and adults, while continuing to develop effective interagency relationships and partnerships within the community.

October 2019 events included an RCMP Youth Squad recruitment talk and a hall tour for a youth Army Cadet Squad.

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 October 2019 there were a total 835 incidents, representing an 11 per cent increase in calls from October 2018 (Attachment 1).

The average time on scene for RFR crews was 28 minutes; this is an increase over the 26 minutes in 2018. This is due to the nature and severity of each call.

In October 2019 there were 31 reportable fires to the Office of the Fire Commissioner; representing a 35 per cent increase from October 2018. The average figure for fires reported in October over the last five years, is 30. RFR continues to monitor fire activities to identify and create programs to respond to emerging trends.

RFR's emergency fire response goal is to maintain the fire to the room of origin. The room of origin standard is especially important in terms of fire loss, which increases some ten-fold once the fire leaves the room of origin. Fire damage and property losses during October 2019 are estimated at \$54,678. This total includes \$52,024 for building/asset loss and \$2,654 for content loss. The total building/asset and content value at risk was estimated to be \$232,202,858 and the total value preserved from damage was \$232,148,180. These numbers translate to 99 per cent of value protected (Table 1); this is higher than the 98 per cent protected value observed in 2018.

Table 1: Fire Calls By Type and Loss Estimates – October 2019						
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	3	1,662,000	-	-	-	1,662,000
Multi family	3	230,394,700	30,500	20,000	20	230,384,180
Commercial/Industrial	2	100,000	3,000	6,000	1,000	102,000
Outdoor	18	1,624	1,624	1,634	1,634	-
Vehicle/Vessel	5	16,900	16,900	-	-	-
Totals*	31	232,175,224	52,024	27,634	2,654	232,148,180

*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 harm and limited fires to the place of origin in these notable October 2019 incidents:

October 5 - Commercial fire on Minoru Boulevard. Crews responded to reports of a fire in a mall food court. On arrival crews found an active sprinkler and smoke coming from cooking equipment. Crews proceeded to check for fire spread, turn off the water to the active sprinkler head and removed smoke from the premise. Water damage was contained to the area where the fire originated. There were no injuries to occupants or fire personnel and the scene was left with on-site security. The Health Department was notified, a fire investigation was conducted and a report was forwarded to the Office of the Fire Commissioner.

October 8 - Residential Fire on Brighthouse Way. Crews responded to reports of a fire on the fourth floor of an apartment building. On arrival crews were directed to a unit which had smoke and water coming out from the underside of the door. Crews gained access to the suite and immediately observed that the fire had been extinguished by a single kitchen sprinkler head. Crews proceeded to shut off the sprinkler system to mitigate water damage and smoke was removed from the unit. There was significant water damage throughout the unit, adjacent units, fire floor and floors below. No injuries were reported to occupants or emergency personnel. A fire investigation was conducted and a report was forwarded to the Office of the Fire Commissioner.

October 21, 2019 - Outdoor fire on Granville Avenue. Crews responded to a large bog / driftwood fire located on the west side of a dyke. Crews quickly proceeded to extinguish the fire while multiple units, including the RFR Wildland vehicle, stopped the fire from spreading. Once extinguished, a small shelter was found at the site. There were no occupants found in the area or encountered by RFR crews. No injuries were reported. A fire investigation was conducted and a report was forwarded to the Office of the Fire Commissioner.

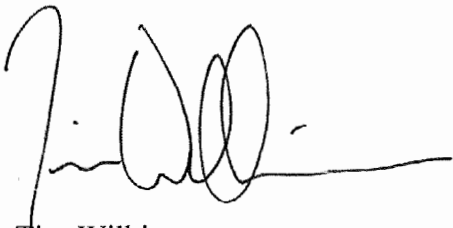
October 31, 2019 – Halloween events in multiple locations. RFR crews attended a total of 16 calls for service between 18:00 pm and 08:00 am, which included five rubbish/garbage fires; one motor vehicle incident with no injuries; four medicals, three alarm activations with no fires; one public assistance event; and two where no incidents were found. RFR suppression crews supported the City's Halloween plan by patrolling areas of concern within their districts. Company officers reported no significant fire or life-safety related activities present during those patrols. RFR suppression crews were on-site during all City sponsored fireworks public gatherings. RFR crews also attended a number of non-City sponsored events.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

RFR crews attended multiple fires where sprinkler systems activated reducing the spread of fire. Fire sprinkler systems serve as a first line of defense against fires, giving people more time to escape safely, allowing firefighters the opportunity to fully extinguish the fire in an effective and efficient manner.

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Tim Wilkinson
Fire Chief
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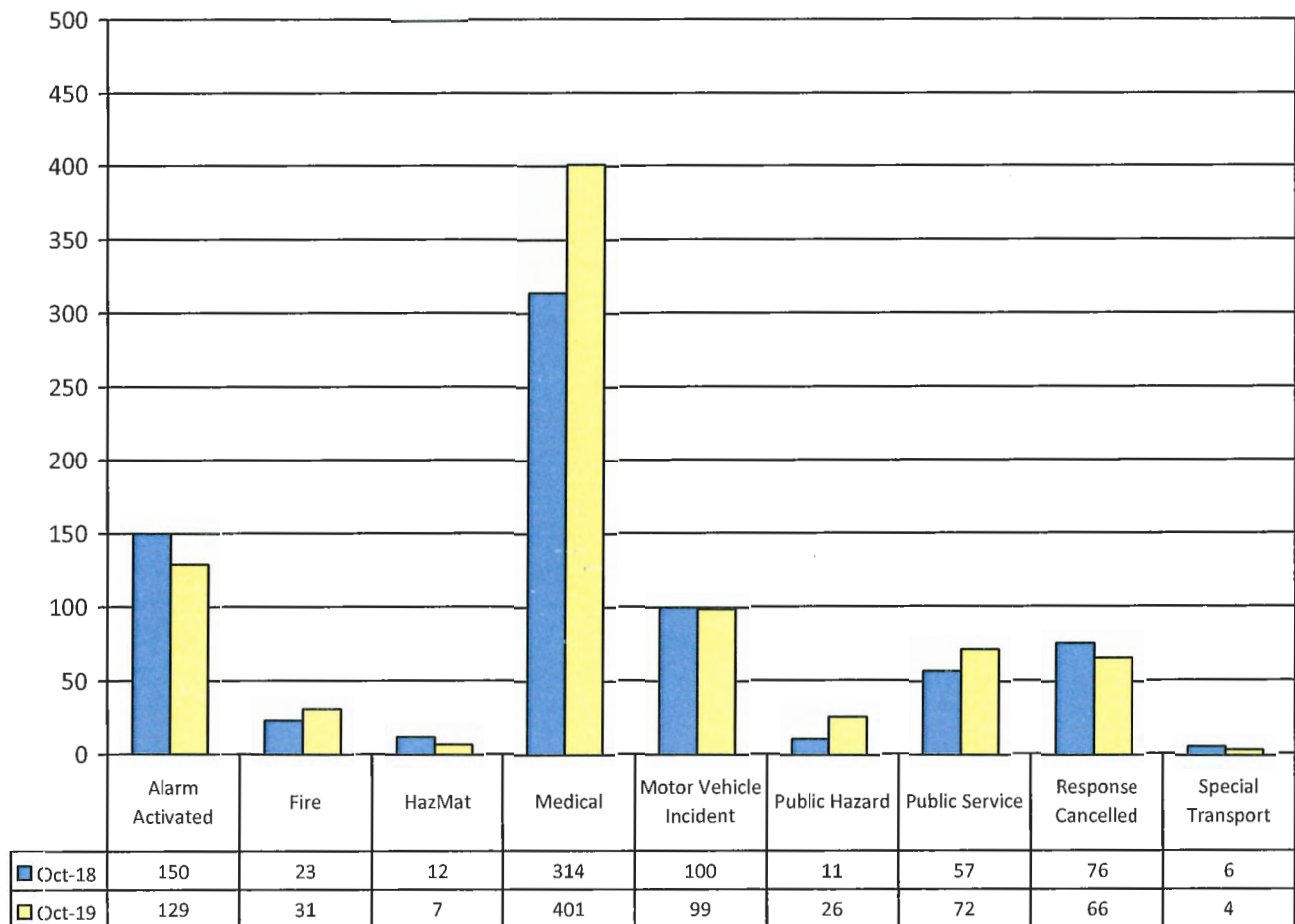
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Att. 1: Suppression Activity, including location of October's Fire, Medical and MVIs

Calls for Service Volumes

The following chart provides a month to month comparison regarding incidents occurring in October 2018 and 2019. In October 2019, there were a total of 835 incidents, compared to 749 in October 2018. This represents an increase of 11 per cent.

Table 2: October 2018 & 2019 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 48 per cent of the total emergency responses for RFR during the month of October 2019. A detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for October 2018 and 2019 is set out in the following table by sub-type. There were a total of 401 medical incidents in October 2019 compared to 314 in October 2018, an increase of 28 per cent.

Table 3a: October 2018 & 2019 Medical Calls by Type

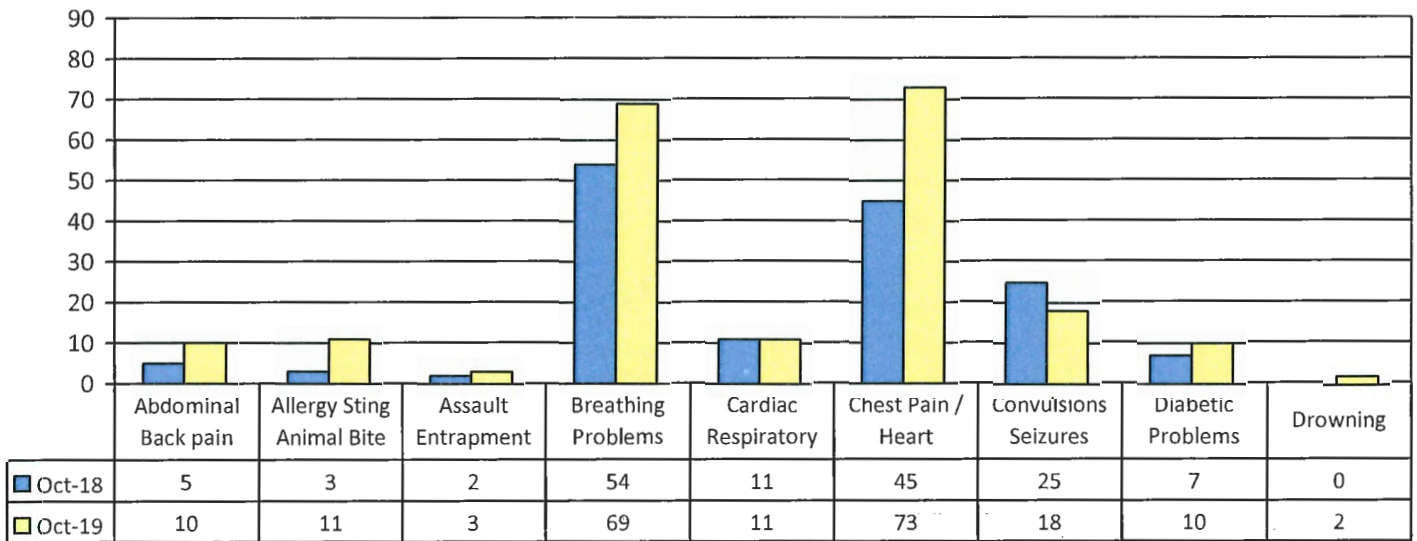
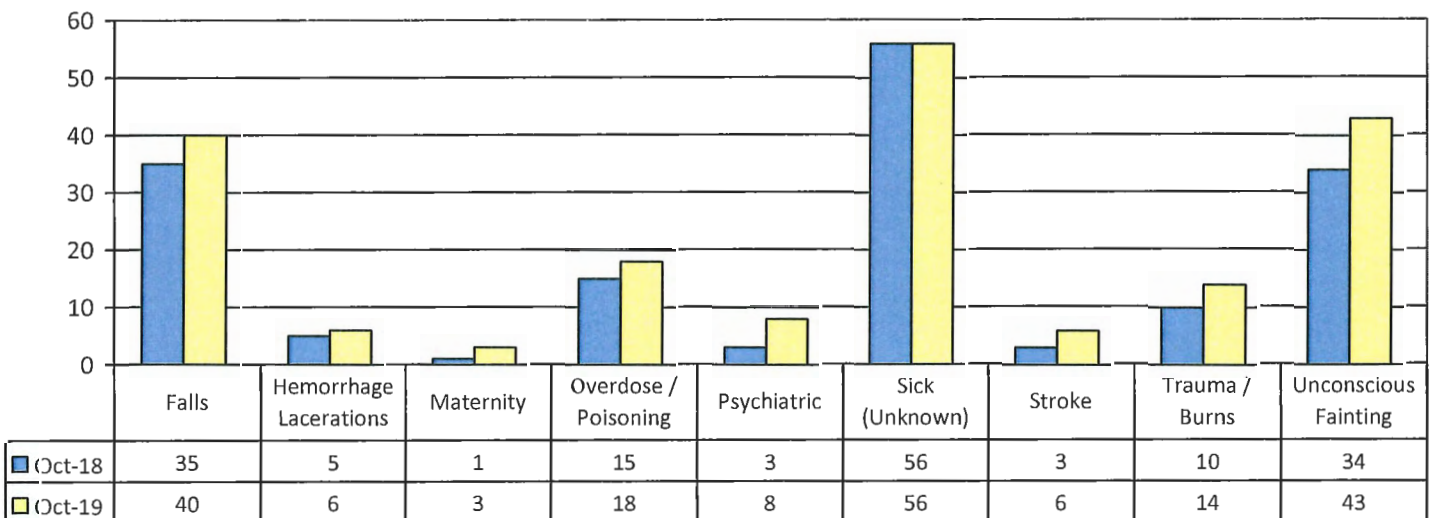


Table 3b: October 2018 & 2019 Medical Calls by Type



Fire Investigations

The fire investigation statistics for October 2019 are listed below:

Table 4: Total Fire Investigation Statistics – October 2019			
	Suspicious	Accidental	Undetermined
Residential - Single-family	-	3	-
Residential - Multi-family	-	3	-
Commercial/Industrial	-	2	-
Outdoor	2	11	5
Vehicle	-	4	1
Totals	2	23	6

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

Hazardous Materials

Table 5: HazMat Calls By Type – October 2019	
	Details
Flammable / Combustible Liquids	2
Natural Gas / Propane Leaks (small)	4
Unclassified	1
Totals	7

Figure 1: Location of reportable fires attended in October 2019 (total 31)

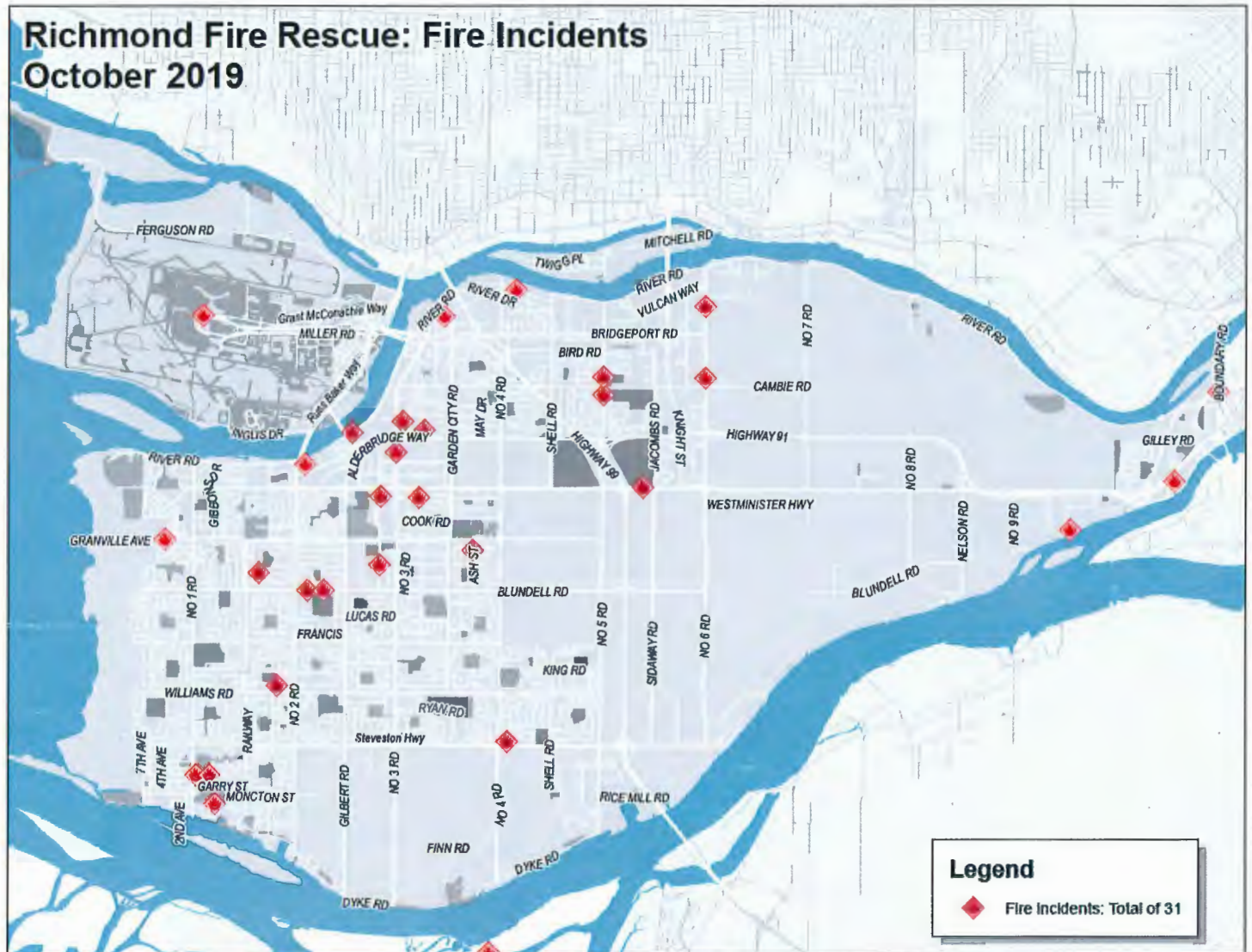


Figure 2: Location of medical calls in October 2019 (total 401)

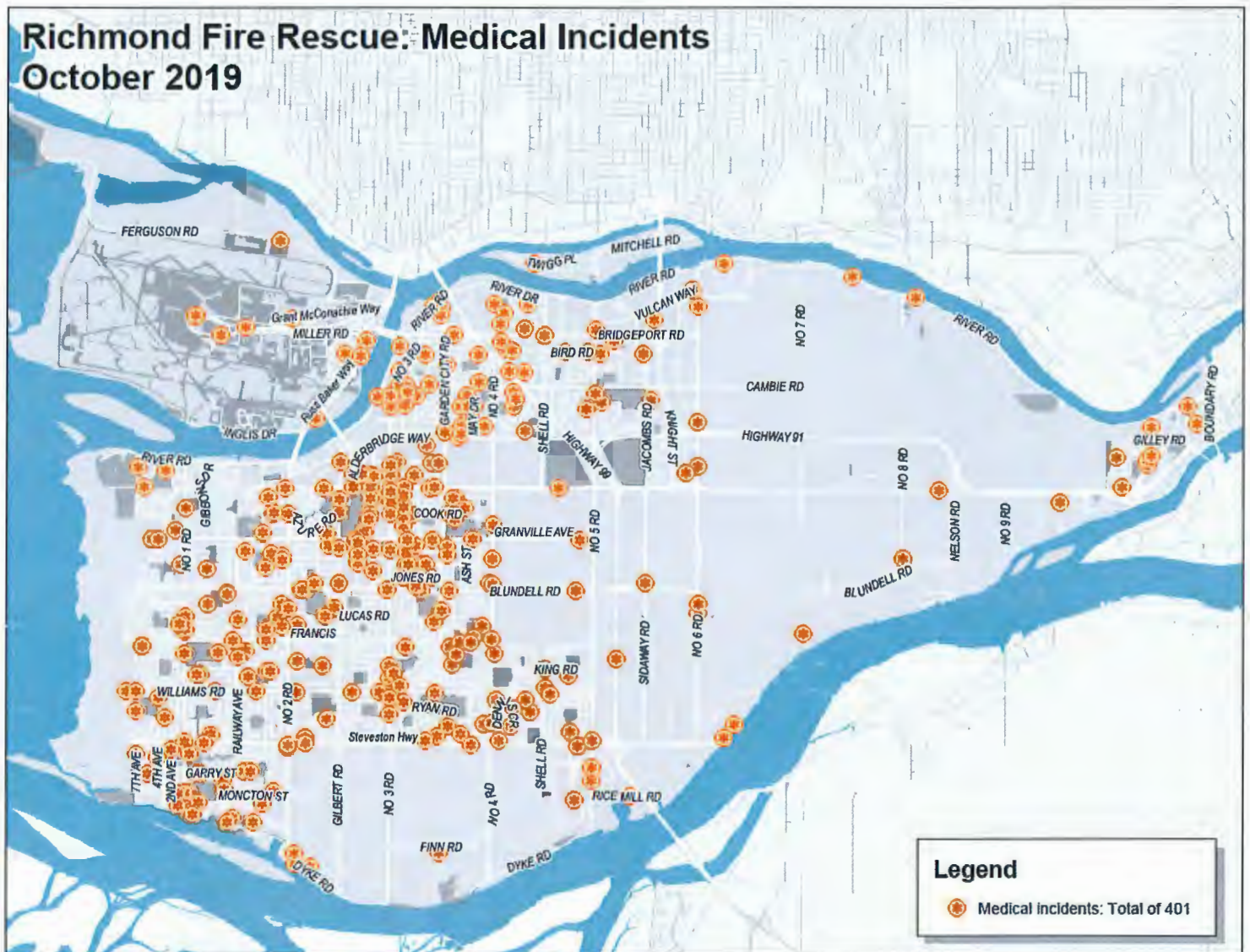
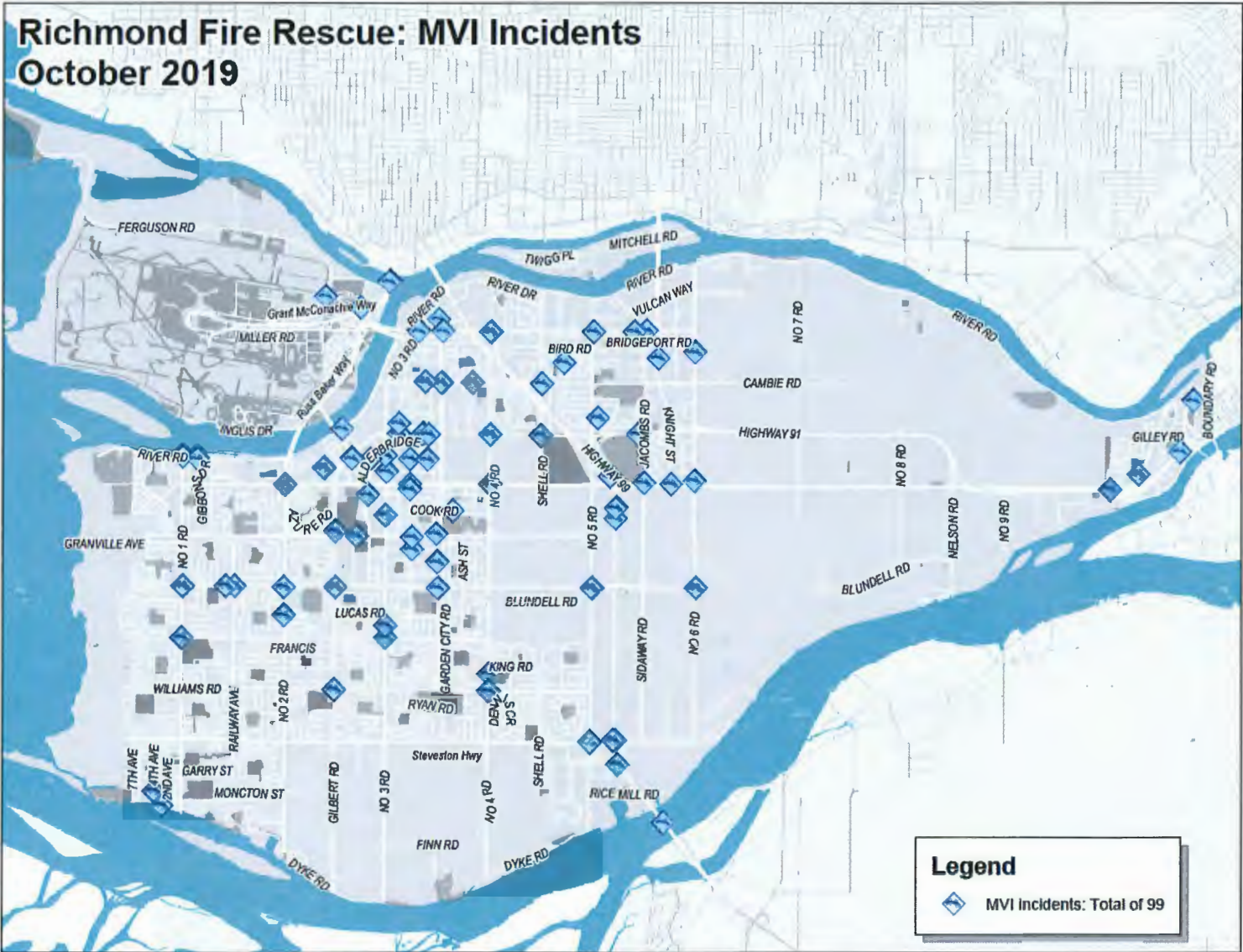


Figure 3: Location of MVI calls in October 2019 (total 99)





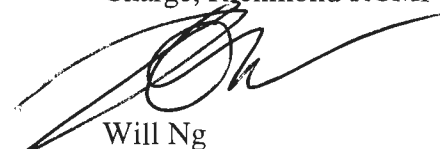
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Report to Committee



To: Community Safety Committee
From: Will Ng, Superintendent
Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment
Date: November 7, 2019
File: 09-5000-01/2019-Vol 01
Re: 2019-2020 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan Second Quarter Results (July 1 to September 30, 2019)

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "2019-2020 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan Second Quarter Results (July 1 to September 30, 2019)", dated November 7, 2019 from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.



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Staff Report

Origin

On May 14, 2019, Richmond City Council adopted the policing priorities listed in the report “2019-2020 RCMP Richmond Detachment Annual Performance Plan – Community Priorities”, dated April 11, 2019.

The priorities identified were:

1. Property Crime;
2. Organized Crime;
3. Vulnerable Persons; and
4. Road Safety.

This report provides an update on the plan’s progress.

This report supports Council’s Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #1 A Safe and Resilient City:

Enhance and protect the safety and well-being of Richmond.

1.1 Enhance safety services and strategies to meet community needs.

Analysis

Community Priority 1: Property Crime

Objective

- i. A five per cent reduction in the number of residential break and enters, compared to the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

Actions

The Richmond RCMP Detachment (Richmond Detachment) continues to target property crime through a multi-faceted crime reduction strategy. This consists of a strong focus on offender management, which includes conducting targeted surveillance of known offenders. This quarter, five prolific and priority offenders were arrested.

Richmond’s Property Crime Unit (PCU) plays a key role in the investigation of property crime files at Richmond Detachment. This quarter, PCU arrested a major property crime offender after a lengthy and complex investigation. Investigators were able to connect multiple break and enters spanning from August 2018 to January 2019. The accused faces 12 charges, including nine counts of break and enter to a dwelling house.

In September 2019, the Richmond RCMP Strike Force Team spearheaded a two-day retail theft operation, which combined the efforts of police and loss prevention officers and resulted in 34

arrests. This initiative occurred in collaboration with the Richmond RCMP PCU and patrol units, Metro Vancouver Transit Police and security representatives from large retailers in central Richmond.

Volunteer engagement is an integral component of Richmond's crime prevention strategy. This quarter, there were 22 volunteer bike deployments and 78 volunteer foot/van deployments, resulting in 766 volunteer patrol hours for suspicious activities. In a joint partnership with ICBC, volunteers were deployed to distribute Lock Out Auto Crime prevention notices. A total of 10,757 notices were issued.

Results

The following table outlines the total residential break and enter files for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020:

Table 1: Residential Break and Enters

Quarter	Date Range	Residential Break and Enters 2018-2019	Residential Break and Enters 2019-2020	Percentage Decrease
1	Apr. 1 – Jun. 30	137	117	-15%
2	Jul. 1 – Sept. 30	222	110	-50%
3	Oct. 1 – Dec. 31			
4	Jan. 1 – Mar.31			
Total		359	227	-37%

Source: PRIME Statistics October 4, 2019

There were 110 residential break and enter files in the second quarter of the 2019-2020 fiscal year, which represents a staggering 50 per cent decrease from the same quarter of the previous fiscal year. Year to date, residential break and enters are down 37 per cent from the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Richmond Detachment is on-track to meet the target objective.

Community Priority 2: Organized Crime

Objective

- i. Establishing new programs to combat organized crime and money laundering.

Actions

Richmond Detachment continues to actively support and promote the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program (DARE) in Richmond schools. This quarter marked the start of the first term of the 2019-2020 school year with Grade 5 students in 18 classes across 13 schools participating in the program.

This quarter, dedicated uniform gang suppression patrols resulted in 125 commercial business checks. The locations checked included: restaurants, bars, licensed body rub studios, the

Richmond Night Market and the casino. These patrols led to street checks of persons suspected of organized crime involvement, a drug seizure and two bylaw referrals.

The Organized Crime Unit has also continued connecting with local Money Service Businesses (MSBs). The Financial Transactions and Reports Analysis Centre of Canada (FINTRAC) requires MSBs to register their businesses, identify clients, keep records, report to FINTRAC and have a compliance program.¹ This quarter, Richmond RCMP uniformed members attended 31 MSBs to conduct money laundering outreach and education. There were multiple visits to locations that have had distraction thefts against their customers and the businesses were provided with crime prevention information. Bitcoin locations were also inspected. The regular police presence at these locations also serves as a deterrent to criminal activity in and around these businesses.

Results

This quarter, significant progress was made in establishing new programs to combat organized crime and money laundering including MSB patrols and outreach while the Inadmissible Patrons Program remains in development. Community partners have been consulted and further discussions regarding implementation logistics are ongoing.

Community Priority 3: Vulnerable Persons

Objective

- i. Full implementation of a frontline Mental Health car.

Actions

Richmond Detachment made significant progress on the deployment model for the Richmond Mental Health Crisis Team, also referred to as Fox 80. This quarter police candidates for the unit were identified and received training. Frontline police officers also initiated training, which will continue into the next quarter. September 12, 2019 marked the “soft” launch of the program, which has received daily calls since its inaugural deployment. This shared initiative with Vancouver Coastal Health will continue to facilitate a joint response to police calls in Richmond where mental health is a concern. The team is comprised of a mental health nurse and an RCMP officer.

The Detachment’s Vulnerable Persons Unit (VPU) continues to conduct weekly Homeless Outreach with staff from the Ministry of Social Services and Poverty Reduction. A plainclothes police officer engages with vulnerable clients and offers referrals to different programs and support services in the community, including providing application assistance for supportive housing. The Richmond RCMP is also a member of the Alderbridge Supportive Housing Community Advisory Committee and is represented by a member of the VPU. This quarter there were no concerning calls arising from the housing complex.

¹ <https://www.fintrac-canafe.gc.ca/msb-esm/intro-eng>

Results

Mental health-related calls for service have been trending upwards the last five years. In the first half of 2019, the number of mental health-related files increased 46 per cent over the same period in 2018. Analyst projections indicate these elevated numbers will likely continue, which underscores the importance of the implementation of Fox 80. The Mental Health Car became operational this quarter, indicating that Richmond Detachment is on-track to meet this objective. Future reporting will provide progress updates on the rollout of the program.

Community Priority 4: Road Safety

Objective

- i. A two per cent increase in the rate of road safety enforcement.²

Actions

This quarter, the Crime Prevention Unit promoted a number of road safety initiatives with the collaboration of volunteers, the Richmond RCMP Road Safety Unit (RSU) and ICBC. There were 121 Fail to Stop deployments, which resulted in 3,837 letters being mailed to registered vehicle owners.³ In addition, 682 Speed Watch letters were issued. There were two large-scale Distracted Driving projects in September. During the course of these deployments 24,543 vehicles were checked for signs of distracted driving. A total of 154 information letters were sent to registered vehicle owners, in addition to enforcement notices issued by the RSU.⁴ There has also been a strong focus on increased road safety media communications.

In addition to regular road safety enforcement projects, this quarter the RSU conducted several Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) operations, which resulted in prohibited driver investigations as well as 12 vehicle impounds. The ALPR system uses infrared colour cameras, which are mounted on police vehicles and special software to read up to 3,000 licence plates per hour.⁵ ALPR focusses on reducing crime, including auto theft and motor vehicle violations, with a focus on prohibited, suspended, unlicensed and uninsured drivers.

² Road safety enforcement includes Violation Tickets, Notice and Orders and Written Warnings. Comparison using the average of the last three fiscal years.

³ These information letters advise the registered owner of the safety risks associated with not coming to a full stop at stop sign intersections.

⁴ Number of enforcement notices issued is part of quarterly total.

⁵ Province of BC, <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/justice/criminal-justice/policing-in-bc/road-safety-auto-crime/auto-licence-place-recognition>

Results

Table 2: Road Safety Enforcement Notices

Quarter	Date Range	Average of Last Three Fiscal Years	Enforcement Notices Issued 2019-2020	Percentage Increase
1	Apr. 1 – Jun. 30	3,348	4,648	39%
2	Jul. 1 – Sept. 30	3,348	4,543	36%
3	Oct. 1 – Dec. 31			
4	Jan. 1 – Mar. 31			
Total		6,696	9,191	37%

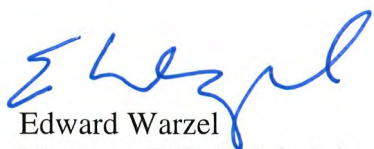
The number of enforcement notices issued this quarter is up 36 per cent over the quarterly average from the last three fiscal years. A total of 4,543 notices were issued in the second quarter of the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Year to date, the number of enforcement notices is up 37 per cent over the last three years' average. This total exceeds the two per cent target identified, indicating Richmond Detachment is on pace to meet this objective.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Richmond Detachment has implemented various initiatives to support the community priorities and objectives established in the 2019-2020 Annual Performance Plan. Richmond Detachment is on-track to meet the identified targets and continues to support the City of Richmond's public safety strategy using evidence-led approaches to target criminality.



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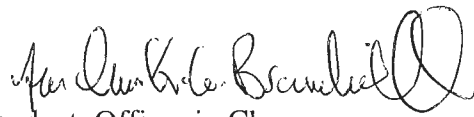
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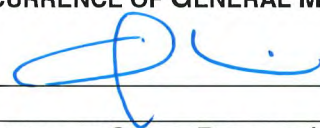

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Date: November 13, 2019
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Re: RCMP Monthly Activity Report - October 2019

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report – October 2019", dated November 13, 2019, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

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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 Police Statistics
3. Crime Trends Across Jurisdictions
4. Auxiliary Program
5. Block Watch
6. Community Police Station Programs
7. Crime Prevention Unit
8. Road Safety Unit
9. Victim Services
10. Youth Section

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #1 A Safe and Resilient City:

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Analysis

Activities and Noteworthy Files

Protests

On October 1 and 5, 2019, Richmond RCMP officers were deployed to the Aberdeen Canada Line Station in response to organized demonstrations. Demonstrators scheduled the events in support of protests in Hong Kong. Police were given advance notice by the organizer and were on scene to ensure public safety throughout the demonstrations. No arrests were made.

Police Vehicle Collision

On October 7, 2019, Richmond RCMP officers responded to Richmond Hospital after a patient, who was not permitted to leave the premises, fled on foot. Police attempted to take custody of the man but he was able to escape in a police vehicle. The suspect subsequently collided with an unmarked police vehicle and two other vehicles before being apprehended. One civilian driver sustained serious but non-life-threatening injuries in the incident. An RCMP officer received treatment for a minor injury. Police are investigating the theft and collisions, while the Independent Investigations Office BC is also conducting an investigation because the incident involved a serious civilian injury.¹

¹ The Independent Investigations Office BC is an independent civilian oversight agency of the police in BC and investigates all officer-related incidents that result in serious harm, whether or not there is any allegation of wrongdoing. <https://iiobc.ca/media/iio-notified-of-incident-in-richmond-2019-191/>

Suspicious Death

On October 18, 2019, Richmond RCMP officers responded to a business in the 8200 block of Granville Avenue after receiving a report of a deceased male. The death was deemed suspicious and the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team is investigating. The incident appears to be targeted and there is no threat to the public.

Found Body

On October 26, 2019, Richmond RCMP officers located at the Vancouver International Airport (YVR) responded to the southwest corner of Sea Island after receiving reports that a body had been found in an area with limited access. The Richmond RCMP and the BC Coroners Service are investigating.

Analysis of Police Statistics

In January 2019, important changes were implemented regarding the collection of Uniform Crime Reporting Survey data.² As a result of significant media attention in February 2017 regarding sexual assault reporting, the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics (CCJS) and the Police Information and Statistics Committee of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police worked to develop recommendations for changes to police records methodology, with particular attention on classifying founded and unfounded cases. These changes have impacted police statistics across Canada with effects on various crime types, not only sexual offences. The new standards classify a case as founded unless there is evidence that the offence did not occur. As a result, there has been an increase in many police/crime statistics. This change creates numerous challenges when conducting comparisons with previous years' data. The information presented in this section must be evaluated within the context of this limitation. Further analysis continues to be provided throughout the year.

Arson

In October 2019, there were three reported incidents of arson, which is down one incident from the previous month. The number of arsons this month is up one incident from October 2018 and remains within the five-year average range.

Assault Serious (Assault with a Weapon)

There were 11 assault serious events in October 2019, which is an increase of two incidents from September 2019 and down one incident from October 2018. The number of serious assaults is within the five-year average range.

Auto Theft

There were 35 auto theft incidents this month, which represents a 17 per cent increase from the previous month and a six per cent increase from October 2018. The number of auto thefts this

² Statistics Canada, <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-002-x/2018001/article/54973-eng.htm>

month is slightly above the five-year average range. Criminal analysis has identified areas of concern and police have deployed additional patrols to target this activity.

Drugs

In October 2019, there were 105 drug incidents, which represents a 54 per cent increase from the previous month. The number of drug incidents this month is over four times the number recorded in October 2018 and is significantly above the five-year average range.

The majority of the drug offences this month have originated as Canada Customs seizures at YVR. The spike in drug offences is largely attributed to the processing of a backlog of drug exhibits.

Mental Health

There were 273 mental health incidents in October 2019, which is up 29 per cent from September 2019 and represents 95 per cent increase from October 2018. The number of mental health incidents has been significantly above the five-year average range in every month of 2019. Year to date, mental health-related files are up 51 per cent compared to the same period in 2018.

No patterns or trends have been identified. There were 76 police apprehensions this month and hospital wait times averaged 83 minutes, indicating that both numbers have remained steady in recent months. One high volume client was responsible for 101 calls this month. Of note, the majority of mental health-related files this month did not require a significant use of resources or police action.

Residential Break and Enter

There were 39 break and enters to residences in October 2019, which represents a 17 per cent decrease from the previous month and a 32 per cent decrease from October 2018. The number of residential break and enters this month is within the five-year average range. Year to date, there has been a 23 per cent reduction in residential break and enters compared to the same period last year. No patterns or trends have been identified.

Commercial Break and Enter

In October 2019, there were 58 break and enters to businesses, which represents a 32 per cent increase from September 2019 and is more than two-and-a-half times the number recorded in October 2018. Commercial break and enters are above the five-year average range. Year to date totals are up five per cent from the same period in 2018.

A significant number of these break enters involved construction sites and residential parkades, which offenders targeted for access to mail, vehicles and storage lockers. Suspected offenders have been identified and investigations continue.

Robbery

There were 10 robbery incidents in October 2019, which represents a 67 per cent increase from the previous month. The number of robberies this month is up 43 per cent from October 2018 and is above the five-year average range. No patterns or trends have been identified.

Sexual Offences

There were 17 sexual offence files in October 2019, which represents a 26 per cent decrease from the previous month and is more than double the number of incidents recorded in October 2018. The number of sex offences this month is above the five-year average range.

No patterns or trends have been identified. Year to date, sexual offences are up 63 per cent compared to the same period in 2018. Crime analysts have identified that this is likely due to CCJS scoring changes. The occurrences this month include eight sexual assaults, four indecent acts and three sexual interference incidents.

Shoplifting

There were 94 shoplifting thefts in October 2019, which represents a nine per cent increase from the previous month and a 32 per cent increase from October 2018. Reported shoplifting thefts have been above the five-year average range since March 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified and the increase is likely attributed to improved detection rather than an actual increase in this crime type.

Theft from Automobile

There were 220 theft from automobile incidents in October 2019, which represents a 26 per cent increase from the previous month and a 29 per cent increase from October 2018. The number of theft from automobile incidents this month is within the five-year average range. Year to date, there has been a 12 per cent decrease in thefts from automobiles compared to the same period in 2018.

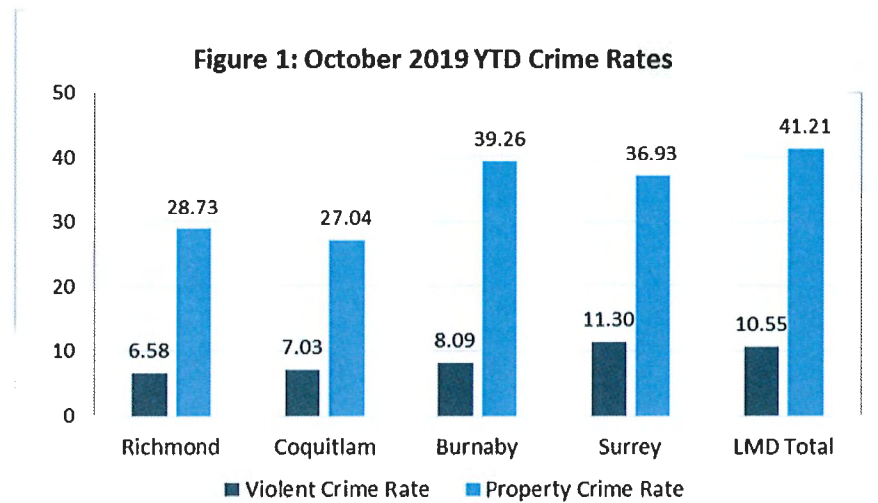
Crime Trends across Jurisdictions

The CCJS scoring changes implemented this year have had a pronounced effect on violent crime rates throughout police jurisdictions across Canada. Year to date, every RCMP Detachment in the Lower Mainland District (LMD) has seen an increase in violent crime; the overall year to date increase in the LMD is 48 percent.³ As a result, continued analysis will be required to more accurately capture changes in the rates of violent crime.

Data on crime rates is presented on the following page (Figure 1).⁴ Out of the four largest municipalities policed by the RCMP in the LMD, Richmond has the lowest violent crime rate as well as the second lowest property crime rate.

³ Violent crime in Richmond increased 30 per cent.

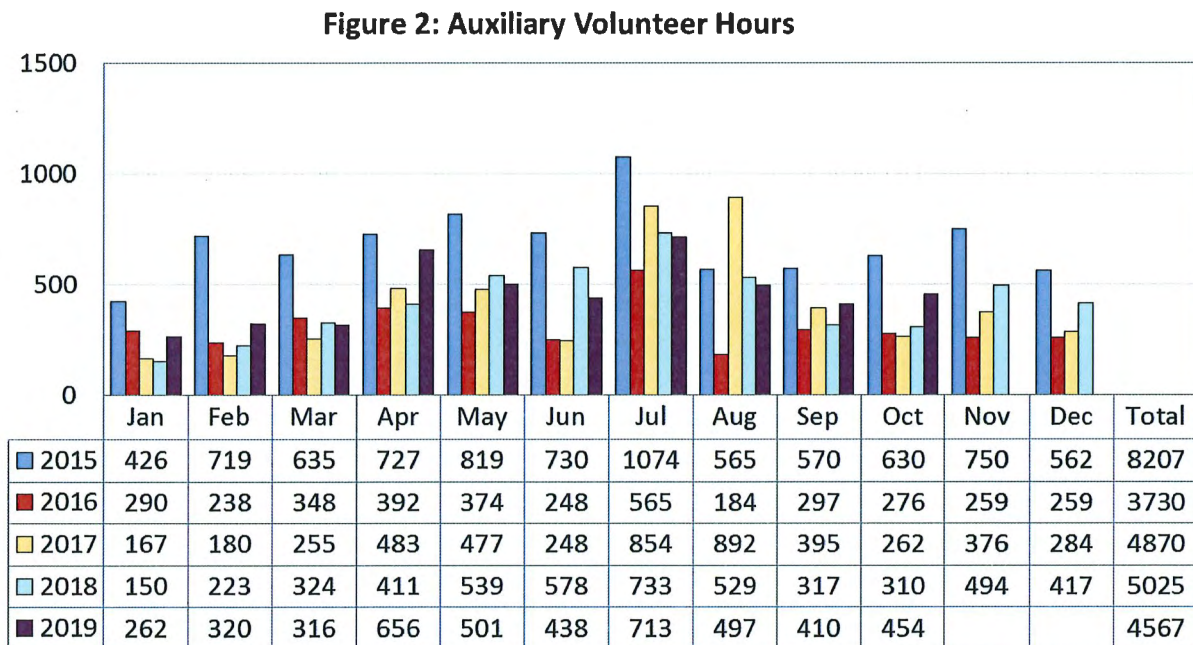
⁴ Crime rate is calculated per 1,000 people (using 2019 population projections)



Auxiliary Program

In October 2019, Richmond Detachment had a complement of 31 Auxiliaries.⁵ Auxiliaries provided a total of 454 volunteer hours during the month of October.

Figure 2 compares the monthly hours of service provided from 2015 to 2019.



⁵ Previously referred to as Auxiliary Constables.

Auxiliary Program Activities

Auxiliaries attend events in the community to promote a positive police presence, support RCMP members and assist with community policing and crime prevention initiatives as well as traffic and crowd control. During the month of October, Auxiliaries participated in:

- Bait Car
- Crime Watch
- Halloween Foot Patrols
- Home Security Checks
- Pedestrian Safety Campaign
- Youth Squad

Block Watch

At the end of October 2019, the Block Watch program had 339 groups totaling 7,280 participants. Currently, the program includes 459 captains and co-captains.⁶

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 October volunteer highlights included:

- The deployment of 32 volunteer foot/van patrols totalling 243 hours and five bike patrols, totalling 63 hours.
- 45 Fail to Stop deployments took place, which resulted in 1,452 warning letters.
- Speed Watch was conducted on 2,584 vehicles at various locations.
- October 3 – Volunteers and RCMP members participated at a School Sports event at Pythagorus Academy.
- October 6 – Two volunteers and two RCMP members attended the Autism Speaks Walk and provided crime prevention information at the Richmond RCMP table.
- October 15 – Six volunteers and an RCMP member visited two elementary schools and conducted a Youth Pedestrian Safety blitz. A total of 280 reflectors and 42 arm bands were distributed to students.
- October 16 – Five volunteers and an Auxiliary visited Hamilton Elementary School and conducted a Youth Pedestrian Safety blitz. A total of 229 reflectors and 104 arm bands were distributed to students.
- October 23 – Two volunteers and two RCMP members held a Project 529 Bike Registry in the area of Railway Avenue and Blundell Road in support of “Bike to Work” week. A total of 20 bicycles were registered.

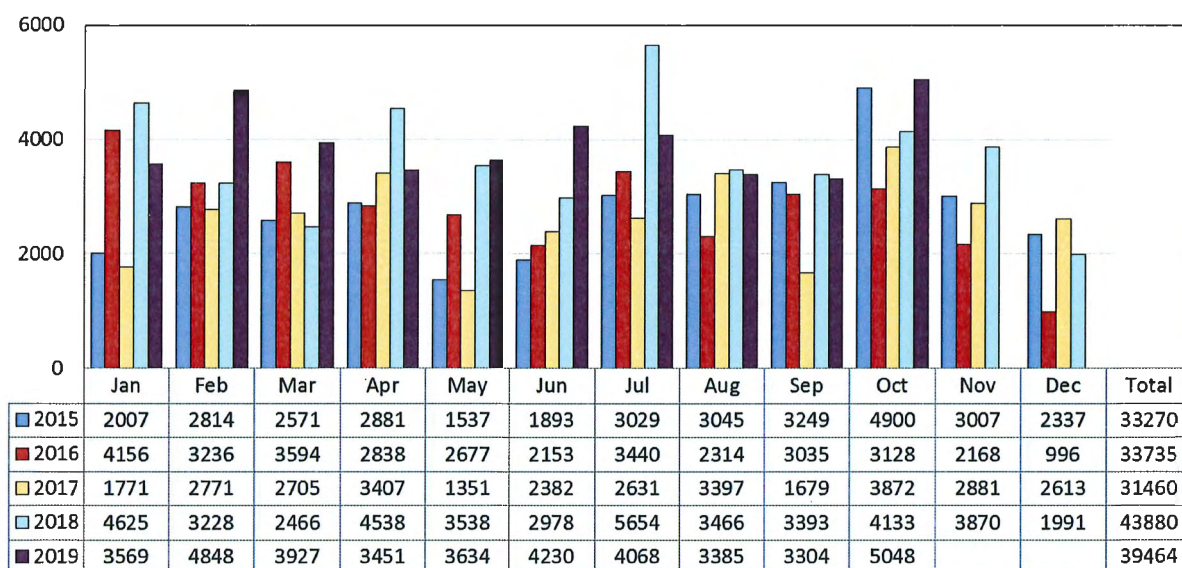
⁶ The variance from previous months' data is due to an ongoing database upgrade. Revised numbers will continue to reflect more accurate participation data.

- October 24 – In collaboration with ICBC, a Pedestrian Safety Blitz was deployed near the Brighthouse Canada Line Station. Eleven volunteers and three RCMP members participated in the blitz and 2,250 reflectors were distributed.
- October 30 – In collaboration with ICBC, a Pedestrian Safety Blitz was deployed in Steveston Village. Five volunteers and two RCMP members participated in the blitz and 721 reflectors were distributed.
- October 31 – A total of 18 volunteers participated in Halloween patrols and distributed 1,425 reflectors.

Lock Out Auto Crime

Figure 3 provides a comparison by year of the number of vehicle notices issued.

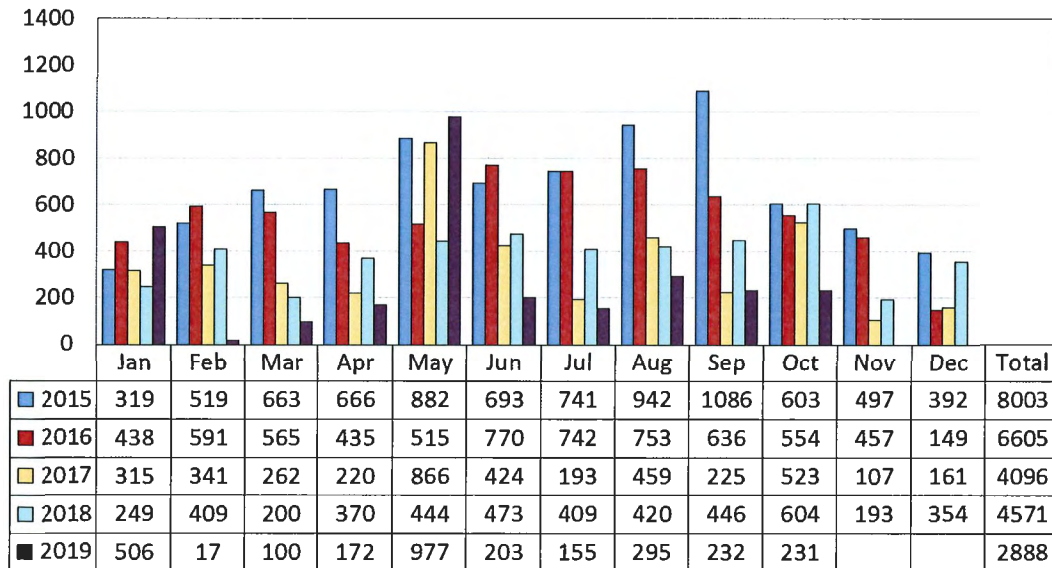
Figure 3: Lock Out Auto Crime Vehicles Issued a Notice



Speed Watch

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

Figure 4: Speed Watch Letters Sent



Crime Prevention Unit

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

- Autism Speaks Walk
- Broadmoor Patrols
- Pedestrian Safety Campaign
- School Sports Events
- Seniors' Safety Presentation
- Vulnerable Institution 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 October 2019 data to both August 2019 and September 2019.

Violation Tickets were issued for the following infractions:

Table 1: Violation Tickets Issued

Infraction	August 2019	September 2019	October 2019
Distracted Driving	155	192	155
Driver License	244	248	236
Impaired	56	38	30
Intersection Offences	78	82	57
Moving Violations ⁷	232	237	194
Speeding	367	255	332
Seatbelts	6	6	9
Vehicle Related ⁸	66	76	63
Other ⁹	13	6	5
Total	1,217	1,140	1,081

Victim Services

In October 2019, Richmond RCMP Victim Services attended to 52 new clients and attended nine crime/trauma scenes after hours. The unit currently maintains an active caseload of 155 ongoing files. Victim Services responded to a number of cases involving medical-related sudden deaths, attempted suicides and a suspicious death.

Youth Section

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

- In partnership with ICBC, Pedestrian Safety was taught to 429 Grade 5 students across 19 schools. Students were provided with a reflector and a colouring sheet with a summary of pedestrian safety information for sharing this message with their families.
- RCMP Youth Section members launched this year's Youth Squad. Youth Squad is an eight-week long program that consists of weekly classes at Richmond Detachment which give youth a better understanding of careers in emergency services. Participating agencies include Richmond Fire-Rescue, BC Ambulance and a variety of RCMP units including Police Dog Section and Emergency Response Team. A total of 34 high school students were selected for the program.

Financial Impact

None.

⁷ Moving violations refers to unsafe lane change and unsafe passing.

⁸ Vehicle related refers to vehicle defects, for example no lights and no insurance.

⁹ Other refers to miscellaneous charges including fail to remain at the scene of an accident and failing to stop for police.

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Conclusion

Crime statistics for October 2019 indicate that a number of crime types are outside of the expected ranges. The Richmond RCMP has strategically deployed investigative and enforcement measures to target active criminals. In addition, this month the Crime Prevention Unit collaborated with partners to promote Pedestrian Safety initiatives. Volunteer participation was a key element of the community engagement and outreach for these initiatives. 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

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.

OCTOBER 2019 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.

In 2019, changes were implemented regarding the collection of UCR data. The new standards provide much more stringent criteria to classify a file as unfounded. As a result, there will be an increase in many crime statistics, and clearance rates will conversely decline. This creates numerous challenges when comparing previous years' data. Full details on the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey are available at Statistics Canada: <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-002-x/2018001/article/54973-eng.htm>. For more information, contact Richmond Crime Analysts.

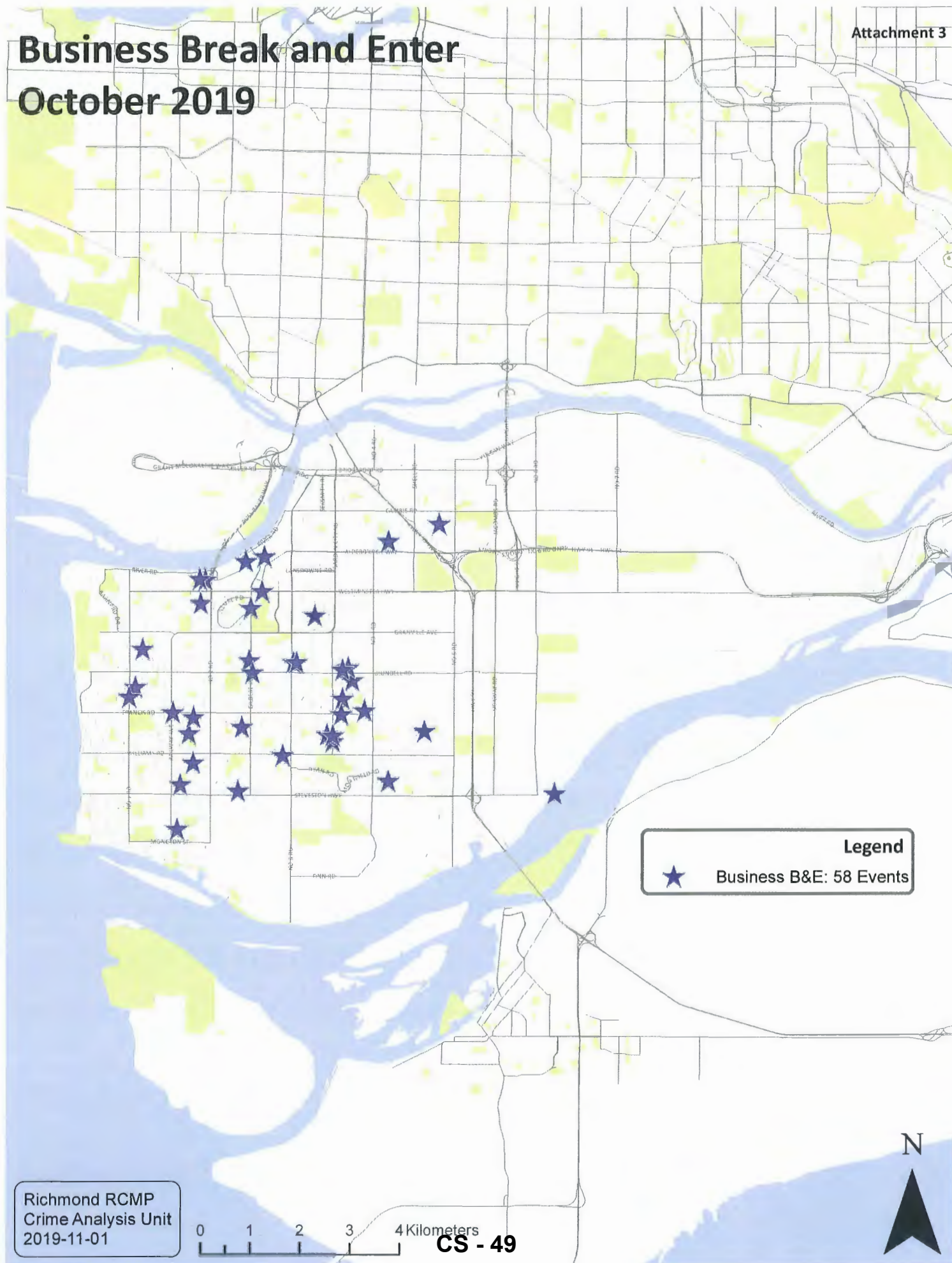
The 5 year average range data is based on activity within a single month over the past 5 years. If the current monthly total for an offence is above the expected average range (using one standard deviation) due to crime trends, patterns, or spikes, it will be noted in **red**. If the current monthly total for an offence is above the expected average range due to primarily non-operational reasons such as the new UCR standards or other scoring issues, the total will be noted in **purple**. Below expected numbers will be noted in **blue**.

Year-to-Date percentage change is used to numbers from the prior year, but the new CCJS/UCR standards reduce the utility of this metric. 2019 YTD numbers will be biased to increase from the 2018 totals, despite any positive police action.

	Month	5-Yr Avg	5-Yr Range	Year to Date Totals			
	Oct-19	October		2018	2019	% Change	# Change
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	137	103.6	90-118	1118	1452	30%	334
Robbery <small>UCR 1610 (1-3)</small>	10	6.0	5-7	51	68	33%	17
Assault Common <small>UCR 1430</small>	53	39.6	29-50	410	520	27%	110
Assault Serious <small>UCR 1410, 1420</small>	11	11.2	8-14	111	106	-5%	-5
Sexual Offences <small>UCR 1345, 1330, 1356, 1319, 3450, 5539</small>	17	9.8	7-13	118	192	63%	74
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	767	670.4	642-699	6403	6507	2%	104
Business B&E <small>UCR 2120-1</small>	58	37.0	28-46	304	320	5%	16
Residential B&E <small>UCR 2120-2</small>	39	53.8	35-72	625	482	-23%	-143
Auto Theft <small>UCR 2135 (1-10), 2173</small>	35	27.8	21-34	258	252	-2%	-6
Theft from Auto <small>UCR 2132, 2142</small>	220	196.8	168-225	1889	1654	-12%	-235
Theft <small>UCR 2130, 2140</small>	94	98.4	87-109	866	974	12%	108
Shoplifting <small>UCR 2133, 2143</small>	94	64.2	60-68	622	880	41%	258
Fraud <small>UCR 2166, 2167, 2168, 2169</small>	92	68.0	61-75	731	739	1%	8
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	183	177.2	158-196	1853	1959	6%	106
Arson <small>UCR 1629, 2110</small>	3	3.0	2-4	24	31	29%	7
SUBTOTAL CC OFFENCES (UCR 1000 to 3000 Series)	1087	951.2	911-991	9374	9898	6%	524
DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	105	49.2	34-64	519	526	1%	7
MHA RELATED CALLS (MHA files or Mental Health flag)	273	116.0	97-137	1277	1930	51%	653

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Business Break and Enter October 2019



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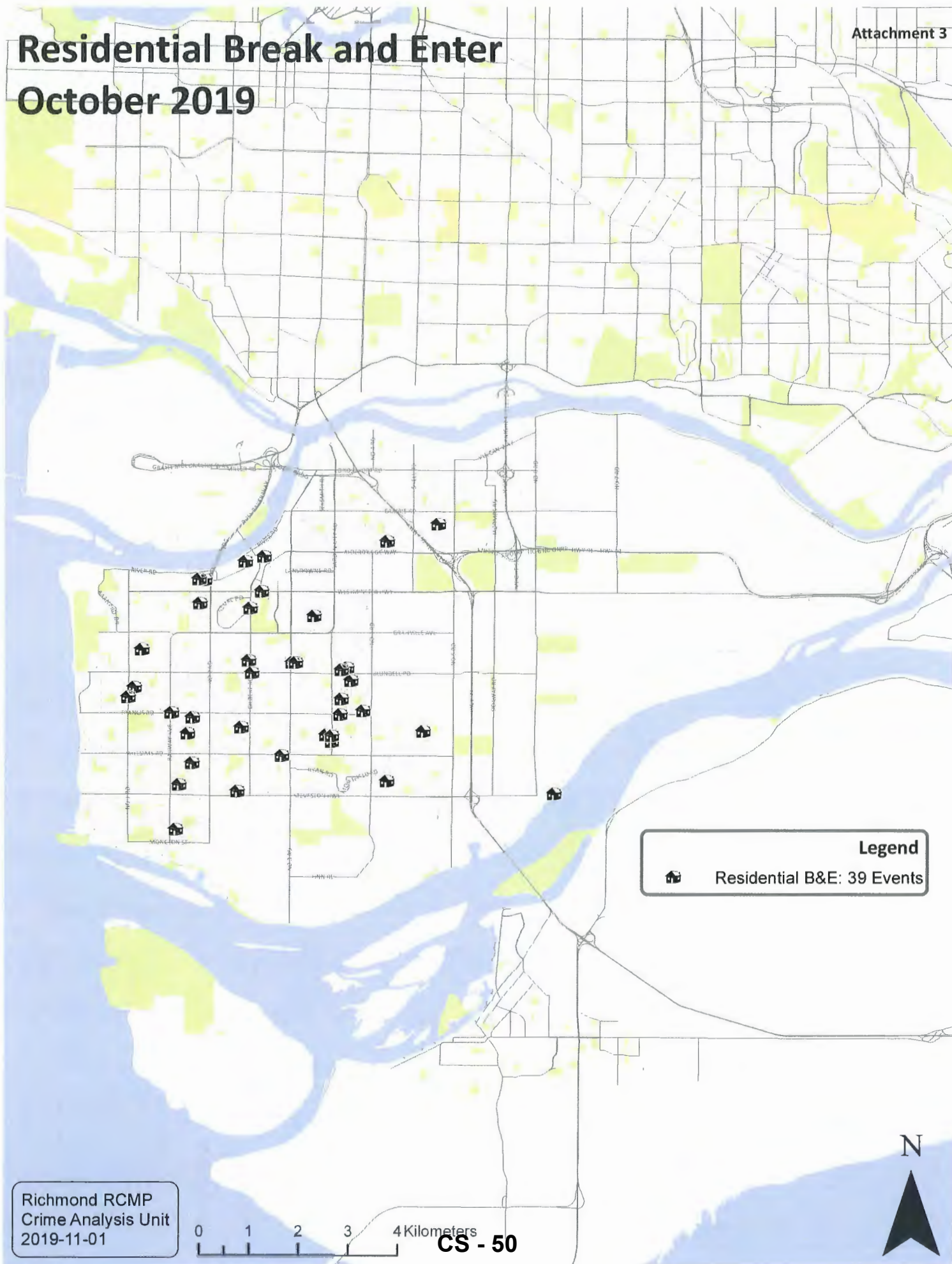
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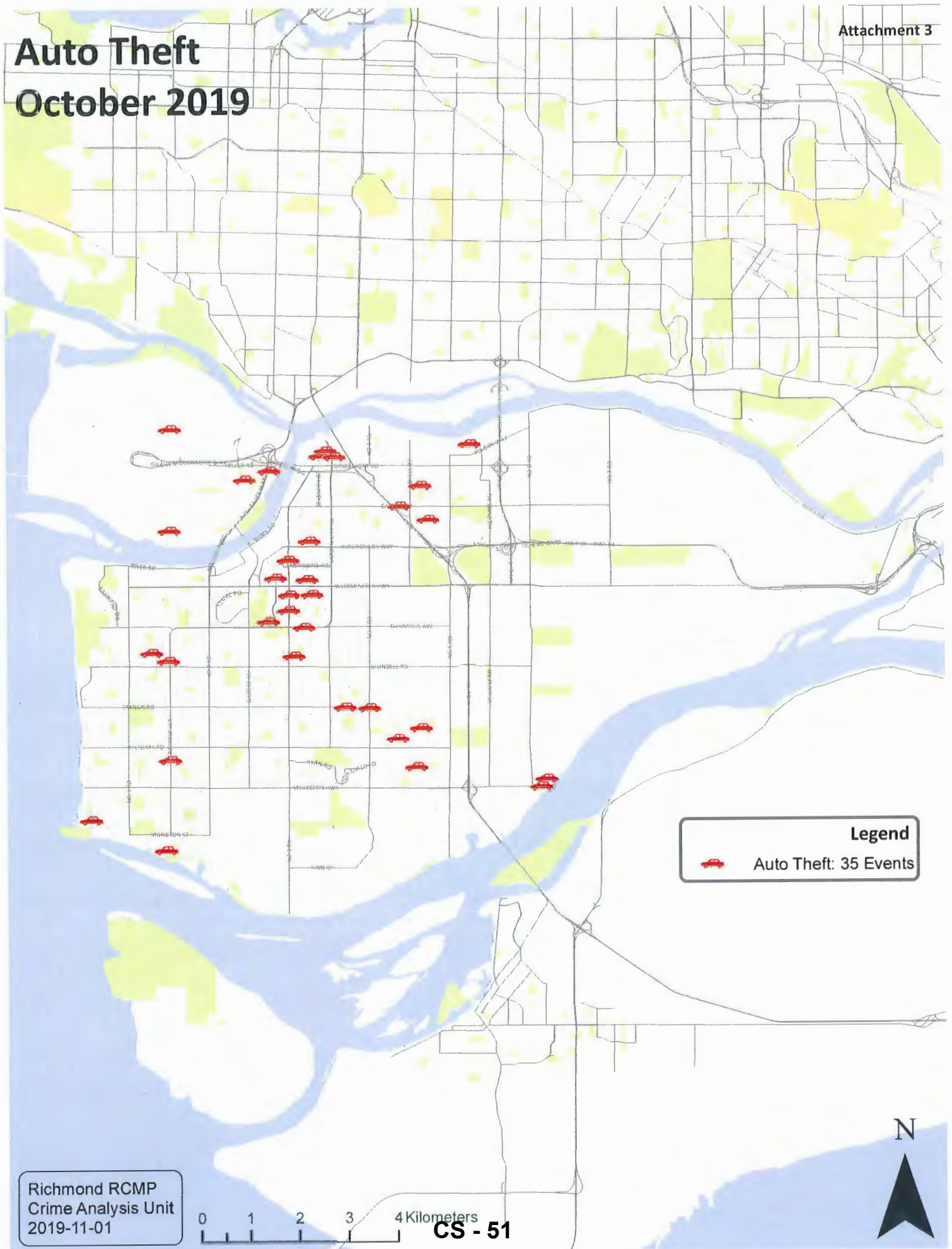
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Residential Break and Enter October 2019



Auto Theft October 2019



Theft from Auto October 2019

