



Community Safety Committee

Anderson Room, City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road

Wednesday, February 13, 2013
4:00 p.m.

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MINUTES

CS-5 *Motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on Tuesday, January 15, 2013.*



NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

Tuesday, March 12, 2013, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

PRESENTATION

Sheila Yamamoto, Block Watch Coordinator and Dave McGee, GIS Analyst, to present Criminal Activity Maps.

LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DEPARTMENT

1. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE – DECEMBER 2012 ACTIVITY REPORT**
(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 3780358)

CS-13

See Page CS-13 for full report

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief John McGowan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled Richmond Fire-Rescue – December 2012 Activity Report (dated January 18, 2013, from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue) be received for information.



2. **PROPOSED MEDICAL MARIHUANA ACCESS REGULATIONS**
(File Ref. No. 09-5000-03-02) (REDMS No. 3768844)

CS-21

See Page CS-21 for full report

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief John McGowan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Minister of Health be advised, by way of comments through the Health Canada website, that the proposed Medical Marihuana Access Regulations require compliance with applicable Provincial and Municipal laws in order to obtain a license.



3. **RCMP'S MONTHLY REPORT – DECEMBER 2012 ACTIVITIES**
(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 3743459 v.3)

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See Page CS-27 for full report

Designated Speaker: Supt. Renny Nisset

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled RCMP's Monthly Report – December 2012 Activities (dated January 8, 2013, from the OIC RCMP) be received for information.



4. **MARINE PATROL PROGRAM 2012**
(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 3730153 V.8)

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See Page **CS-45** for full report

Designated Speaker: Supt. Renny Nasset

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled Marine Patrol Program 2012 (dated January 20, 2013, from the OIC RCMP) be received for information.



5. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS – DECEMBER 2012 ACTIVITY REPORT**
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 3754775 v.3)

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See Page **CS-51** for full report

Designated Speaker: Ed Warzel

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled Community Bylaws – December 2012 Activity Report (dated January 24, 2013 from the General Manager, Law & Community Safety) be received for information.



6. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**
(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief John McGowan

Items for discussion:

- (i) *Richmond Fire-Rescue New Kit Display*
- (ii) *Burn Awareness Week (February 3rd to February 9th)*
- (iii) *Anti-Bullying Day (February 27th)*

7. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**
(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Supt. Renny Nasset

Item for discussion:

- (i) *Herbal Store B & E*

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(ii) *Provincial Government/Impact/ICBC Announce Significant
Reductions In Auto Crime In BC (2012)*

None.

8. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

ADJOURNMENT





Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, January 15, 2013

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Derek Dang, Chair
Councillor Linda McPhail
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Bill McNulty
Mayor Malcolm Brodie

Also Present: Councillor Chak Au

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 Wednesday, November 14, 2012, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

Wednesday, February 13, 2013, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DEPARTMENT

1. COMMUNITY BYLAWS – OCTOBER 2012 ACTIVITY REPORT

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 3705969)

COMMUNITY BYLAWS – NOVEMBER 2012 ACTIVITY REPORT

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 3722383)

Edward Warzel, Manager, Community Bylaws, reviewed the October and November 2012 Community Bylaws activities, and noted that future staff report statistics will be further detailed in an effort to better reflect enforcement activity.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Warzel advised that out-dated parking metres are being replaced with new parking metres; staff anticipate that the new parking meters will decrease the number of parking meters vandalized. Also, Mr. Warzel spoke of recent restrictions in relation to communication protocols, noting that staff are closely monitoring the situation.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That the staff report titled Community Bylaws – October 2012 Activity Report (dated November 14, 2012 from the General Manager, Law & Community Safety), be received for information; and*
- (2) That the staff report titled Community Bylaws – November 2012 Activity Report (dated December 10, 2012 from the General Manager, Law & Community Safety), be received for information.*

CARRIED

2. RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE – OCTOBER 2012 ACTIVITY REPORT

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 3704592)

RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE – NOVEMBER 2012 ACTIVITY REPORT

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 3723541 v.2)

Discussion ensued regarding the number of medical calls Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR) responds to and the nature of these calls.

John McGowan, Fire Chief, advised that RFR can explore partnering with Vancouver Coastal Health in an effort to provide more detailed statistics related to the cause of these types of calls.

In reply to query from Committee, Fire Chief McGowan stated that staff are finalizing the licence agreement with Lafarge Canada Inc. for a fire fighter training facility.

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It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the staff report titled Richmond Fire-Rescue – October 2012 Activity Report (dated November 12, 2012, from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue) be received for information; and*
- (2) *That the staff report titled Richmond Fire-Rescue – November 2012 Activity Report (dated December 17, 2012, from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue) be received for information.*

CARRIED

3. RCMP'S MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2012 ACTIVITIES

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 3699882)

RCMP'S MONTHLY REPORT – NOVEMBER 2012 ACTIVITIES

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 3717275)

Renny Nasset, Officer in Charge (OIC), Richmond RCMP, spoke on the number of business break and enters and stated that staff recently performed a five-year crime analysis of such crimes. The crime analysis indicates that statistics for October and November 2012 are comparable to statistics from previous years. He stated that often a rash of break and enters are attributed to a particular group and once this group is apprehended, the statistics drop significantly.

In reply to a query regarding the success of the pedestrian safety campaigns, OIC Nasset advised that pedestrian safety has been identified as a key initiative for the Richmond RCMP.

In reply to queries from Committee, OIC Nasset commented on the RCMP's investigation related to the recent break and enters at herbal medicine retailers. Also, OIC Nasset spoke of Project Link, a daytime foot patrol initiative created in an effort to curb crime along the No. 3 Road corridor. He spoke of a working group that includes representatives from Richmond Centre and Lansdowne Centre, and noted that efforts are currently underway to include representatives from Parker Place, Aberdeen Centre, and Yaohan Centre.

Discussion took place regarding the manner in which RCMP statistics are presented to Committee, and OIC Nasset advised that the RCMP is bound by policies set by Statistics Canada. Also, OIC Nasset advised that he would provide Committee with figures related to case clearance rates.

Discussion further took place regarding the manner in which RCMP statistics are presented to Committee and it was noted that including the value of goods stolen may have adverse affects.

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The Chair summarized OIC Nessel's comments in relation to business break and enters, noting that a five-year crime analysis indicates that statistics for October and November 2012 are comparable to statistics from previous years. Typically, a rash of break and enters are attributed to a particular group and once this group is apprehended, the number of break and enters will decrease.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the report titled RCMP's Monthly Report – October 2012 Activities (dated November 1, 2012, from the OIC RCMP) be received for information; and*
- (2) *That the report titled RCMP's Monthly Report – November 2012 Activities (dated December 3, 2012, from the OIC RCMP) be received for information.*

CARRIED

4. **FORSAKEN: THE REPORT OF THE MISSING WOMEN COMMISSION OF INQUIRY**

(File Ref. No.) (REDMS No. 3736901 v.4)

Barbara Sage, Staff Solicitor, provided background information and stated that staff have received correspondence from the Honourable Shirley Bond, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, in response to Mayor Brodie's letter dated November 28, 2012.

In reply to a query, Phyllis Carlyle, General Manager, Law and Community Safety, advised that the purpose of the staff report is to supplement the staff report titled Police Services Models considered at the November 14, 2012 Community Safety Committee meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the staff referral made at the November 14, 2012 Community Safety Committee meeting and the Chair requested that in addition to those identified in Part (4) of the staff referral, that Committee ask the City of Abbotsford for their assistance in Richmond's analysis of police services model and request to meet with MLA Kash Heed.

Discussion further ensued and Committee requested that staff report back on the Province's progress in relation to regional policing and that this request was to supplement the staff referral made at the November 14, 2012 Community Safety Committee meeting.

Mayor Brodie stated that in addition to hearing from the various police departments as identified in the staff referral made at the November 14, 2012 Community Safety Committee meeting, it is important to hear from the Chairs of the various police boards.

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It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) *the City work collaboratively and constructively with the Honourable Steven Point's advisory committee (the "Advisory Committee") on the safety and security of vulnerable women tasked with providing community-based guidance on the recommendations and two additional proposals contained in the report entitled, Forsaken: The Report of the Missing Women Commission of Inquiry (the "Report");*
- (2) *if the Advisory Committee is not working on regional policing, that the Province be requested to act on Recommendation 9.2 of the Report by establishing an independent expert committee to develop a proposed model and implementation plan for a Greater Vancouver police force;*
- (3) *staff report back to the Community Safety Committee on the Province's progress in acting on Recommendation 9.2 of the Report (establishing an independent expert committee to develop a proposed model and implementation plan for a Greater Vancouver police force); and*
- (4) *in addition to the referral made at the November 14, 2012 Community Safety Committee meeting, staff be asked to arrange meetings with representatives of regional policing, including Chairs of police boards and representatives of police, from parties interested in regional policing, including Abbotsford and MLA Kash Heed.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued regarding hearing from the Vancouver Police Department.

Councillor Au left the meeting (5:01 p.m.) and did not return.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED**.

5. FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

- (i) *Results of Movember Challenge between Richmond Fire-Rescue & Richmond RCMP*

Fire Chief McGowan commented on the results of the Movember Challenge between RFR and Richmond RCMP, highlighting that the Great Canadian Firefighter Challenge raised approximately \$453,000, and Canada had the top worldwide total, raising approximately \$39 million.

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(ii) Open Houses for Christmas Lighting Events

Fire Chief McGowan spoke of the Fire Hall Christmas Lighting Events, noting that they were well attended.

(iii) Christmas Tree Chipping

Fire Chief McGowan stated that the 31st Annual Richmond Firefighters Charitable Society Drive-Through Tree Chipping event was successful and raised approximately \$8,000.

(iv) New Battalion Chief

Fire Chief McGowan advised that RFR member Trevor Johnson has been promoted to Battalion Chief.

6. RCMP/OIC BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

Item for discussion:

(i) Update on New Years

OIC Nessel commented on New Year's Eve activities, noting that most incidents were alcohol related, however no major issues were reported.

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

(i) Pacific Region Training Centre and Depot Division

Ms. Carlyle extended an invitation to all members of Council who wish to visit the RCMP Pacific Region Training Centre in Chilliwack or the Depot Division in Regina.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (5:19 p.m.).

CARRIED

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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, January 15, 2013.

Councillor Derek Dang
Chair

Hanieh Berg
Committee Clerk



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** January 18, 2013
From: John McGowan **File:** 09-5000-01/2012-Vol
Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue 01
Re: Richmond Fire-Rescue – December 2012 Activity Report

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled Richmond Fire-Rescue - December 2012 Activity Report (dated January 18, 2013, from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue) be received for information.

John McGowan
Fire Chief
(604-303-2734)

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
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Staff Report

Origin

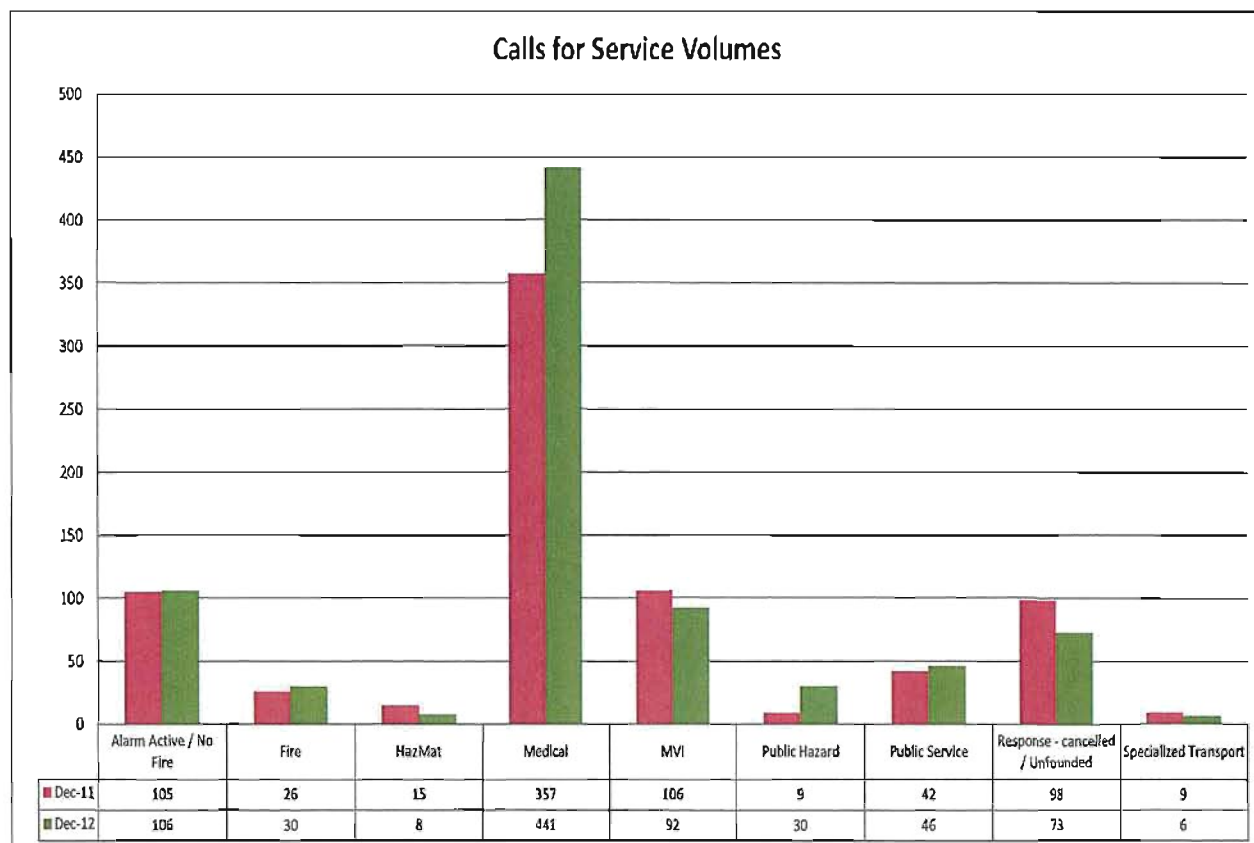
Fire-Rescue is committed to open and transparent reporting on its performance and progress. Monthly reports provide Council with current information on Richmond Fire-Rescue's activities.

Analysis

Fire-Rescue's report for December 2012 is set out below.

Suppression Activity

The following is a month to month comparison chart of the number of incidents that have occurred for the years 2011 and 2012. For December 2012, there were a total of 832 incidents compared to 769 in December 2011, an increase of 8.3%. Call volumes fluctuate from year to year as they are primarily driven by weather conditions such as extreme cold or the presence of ice, snow or rain. The increase of medical calls is primarily attributed to the inclement weather during December.



Call Type Legend:

Alarm Active/No Fire includes: accidental, malicious, equipment malfunctions

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

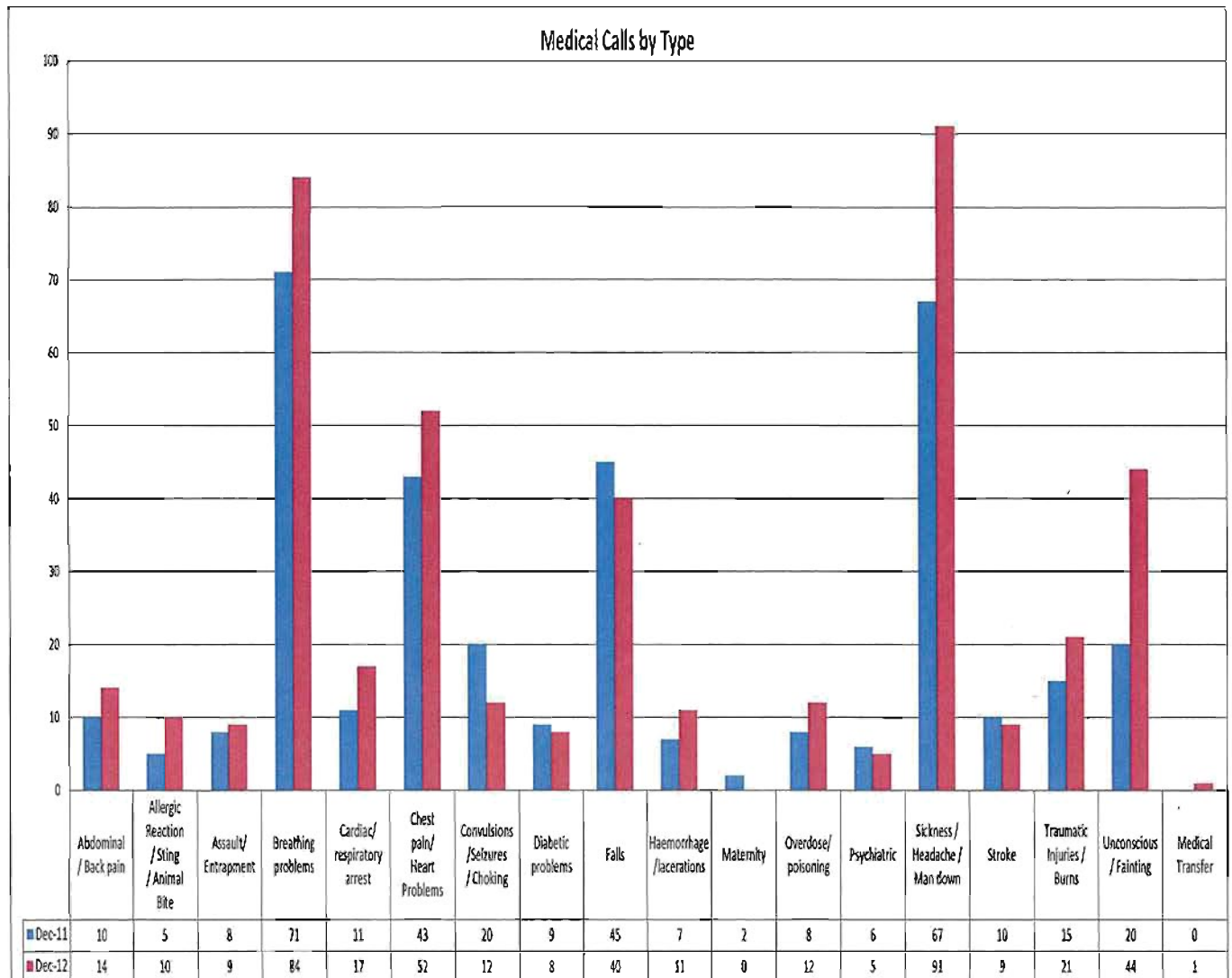
Medical includes: cardiac arrest, emergency response, home or industrial accidents

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

A detailed breakdown of the medical calls for December 2011 and 2012 by sub-type is set out in the following table. Medical calls comprise 53.0% of total calls for RFR. In December 2012 there was an increase in medical calls of 23.8% over the same period in 2011. In December cooler temperatures may have been a contributing factor to the increase of breathing problems and sickness incidents. Analysis of the four categories, showing significant increases, resulted in no defined reason other than the average patient's age is 62+.



Incidents

Notable emergency incidents, which involved RFR for December 2012, were:

Fires – Residential / Commercial / Outdoor

In December, RFR crews responded to 30 fire calls, including a Structure Fire in an abandoned house on Alexandra Road. The house is known to be frequented by vagrants and drug users. A defensive strategy was used to minimize risk to RFR members and the quick action by the first alarm units prevented fire spreading to adjoining properties. This incident was one of eight events that occurred between 16:49 hours and 17:26 hours. These included an aircraft standby at YVR; a MVI on Knight Street Bridge; three medical calls and an alarm ringing in a commercial restaurant. Because of these multiple events, RFR had all resources committed and our neighbouring communities of Vancouver, New Westminster and Delta were put on Mutual Aid standby notice. Effective resource management and support from the oncoming duty crews put RFR back into operational readiness with sufficient reserves by 18:00 hours.

RFR crews also responded to seven separate incidences of stove/oven fires during December. As part of the Fire Hall Christmas Lights and Open house events RFR crews distributed educational information on kitchen/stove fires with attending members of the public.

Other incidents during December included: a fire in a bathroom on Granville Road; fire in a basement suite; a garbage fire on No 4 Road; an illegal burn on Mitchell Road; a Christmas tree burn on Smith Road and a car fire on Vulcan Way.

For December 2012 the estimated total Fire Loss was \$60,700, this included \$44,200 for building loss and \$16,500 for content loss. The total building and content value at risk was \$117,969,875 and the total value preserved was \$117,909,175, which translates to 99.95% of value protected.

Fire Calls By Type and Loss Estimates – December						
Incident Type Breakdown	Call Volume	Estimated Building Value \$	Estimated Building Loss \$	Estimated Content Value \$	Estimated Content Loss \$	Estimated Total Value Preserved \$
Residential:						
- Single-family	6	3,708,200	43,000	936,600	12,200	4,589,600
- Multi-family	9	52,500,000	1,000	10,255,000	2,100	62,721,900
Fire structure total:	15					
Commercial/Industrial	5	27,000,000	0	22,100,000	2,200	49,097,800
Fire – Outdoor	9	1,500,075	200	0	0	1,499,875
Vehicle	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals*	30	84,708,275	44,200	33,261,600	16,500	117,909,175

*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).

The fire investigation statistics for December 2012 are listed below:

Total Fire Investigation Statistics - December			
	Suspicious #	Accidental	Undetermined
Residential - Single-family	2	3	1
Residential - Multi-family	1	5	3
Commercial/Industrial	1	1	3
Fire – Outdoor	5	1	3
Vehicle	0	1	0
Totals	9	11	10

Passed to RCMP for further investigation.

Hazmat

Crews responded to a total of 8 HazMat calls during December. All of the hazmat calls for December were relatively minor, quickly mitigated and did not require any long-term hazmat team deployment.

HazMat Calls By Type – December	
HazMat Calls	Details
Natural Gas/Propane Leaks (small)	4
Flammable/Combustible Liquids	1
Misc. (empty containers to unknown powder)	3
Suspicious / Criminal	0
Total	8

Motor Vehicle Incidents

Crews responded to a total of 92 motor vehicle incidents in December. RFR is continuing to work with external media messaging and emergency partners to promote pedestrian and vehicle safety.

Public Service

During December RFR crews responded to a public service call of a person trapped in an elevator. RFR crews were able to use their recent specialized training to gain access to the elevator and quickly resolve the incident.

Training and Education

Throughout the month of December 2012, RFR's training team led several new initiatives and continued in support of managing of regular training within RFR's current training plan.

The delivery of the elevator Hi-Rise program was completed during December. RFR training team also completed the development of the second and third modules of the overall High-Rise training program (ventilation and apartment pack). These two modules will be delivered in January and will run until the end of February.

During December an asbestos 'Train-the-Trainer' program was delivered by the RFR training team. The program is being run concurrently with the High-Rise program and all shift training will be concluded during the first quarter of 2013.

RFR training facilitated the re-certification of four suppression staff for their Medical First Responder FR3 licenses. RFR training staff are also evaluating the Red Cross First Responder program for our department.

Community Relations / Public Education

In December RFR held five Fire Hall Christmas lighting and Open House events, focusing on the educational message of Kitchen Fire Safety. RFR were supported at all of these events by their local community centres including: City Centre, Steveston, Sea Island, Hamilton and South Arm. The events were very popular and it is estimated that approximately 540 members of the public attended.

Richmond Fire-Rescue also participated in numerous events and activities for public education during December 2012. Some of the events attended by the Fire Chief, Deputy Chiefs, RFR crews and Prevention Officers were as follows:

- 16 car seat inspections were carried out in December at No 1 Hall with the Fire and Life Safety Educator in attendance.
- Pumper visits included a kindergarten group visit to L'Ecole Des Navigateurs, RFR crew attended including a French speaking firefighter.
- Community and Fundraising events attended included: Carol Singing at St. Alban's Church; the *Santa Clause Parade* in Steveston; the *Sunshine Dreams Charity Disneyland* assisted lift at YVR airport; the *CUPE 394 Kids Christmas Party* and Santa Clause drive at Minoru Pavillion; *Sunset Rotary Food Bank Drive*; *RFR Children's Christmas Party* and the *L1286 Retirees Luncheon and Annual General Meeting*.

Financial Impact

None

Conclusion

Richmond Fire-Rescue continues to strive to deliver services and programs through an approach balancing prevention, education and emergency response.

This direction is based on the belief that prevention, education and emergency response programs must be well established and integrated to have a positive impact on community safety. Also integral is the continued delivery and advancement of RFR core 911 emergency fire and rescue response services to Richmond.



John McGowan
Fire Chief
(604-303-2734)

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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee
From: John McGowan
Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue

Date: January 30, 2013
File: 09-5000-03-02/2013-
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Re: Proposed Medical Marihuana Access Regulations

Staff Recommendation

That the Minister of Health be advised, by way of comments through the Health Canada website, that the proposed Medical Marihuana Access Regulations require compliance with applicable Provincial and Municipal laws in order to obtain a license.

John McGowan
Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue
(604-303-2734)

REPORT CONCURRENCE			
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Business Licences	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Zoning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Community Bylaws	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Law	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Building Approvals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Development Applications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
REVIEWED BY SMT SUBCOMMITTEE	INITIALS: 	REVIEWED BY CAO	INITIALS:

Staff Report

Origin

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information regarding Health Canada's proposed Medical Marihuana Access Regulations. Further to seek approval to submit comments through the Health Canada website.

Findings of Fact

In 2001 the Marihuana Medical Access Regulations (MMAR's) came into effect that authorized those suffering from grave and debilitating illnesses to access marihuana for medical use. The existing MMAR's also authorized licensees to produce marihuana for medical use. The program has been administered and regulated by Health Canada through the issuance of licences to authorize persons to possess and/or produce marihuana for medical use.

The medical marihuana program has experienced significant growth. From 2002 until 2011, the number of production licenses increased from 100 to over 10,000 and the number of individuals authorized to possess marihuana has increased from 477 to 21,986. As the numbers of licenses increased so did the impacts on communities. Consequently, as early as 2009 the stakeholders; including municipalities, police and fire services and the BC and Canadian Fire Chiefs Associations, communicated concerns regarding the health, safety and security issues related to the production of marihuana.

In 2011, Health Canada conducted a public consultation process and the results of the consultation were published in June 2012. Subsequently, on December 16, 2012 Health Canada announced and posted the proposed MMAR's. Health Canada is now accepting comments, until February 28, 2013, on the proposed regulations.

The proposed MMAR's consider marihuana to be much like a medication by shifting the production of medical marihuana into large scale, regulated commercial markets. The authorization to possess will shift from Health Canada to health care practitioners. The proposed MMARs include the following significant changes, with the main objective to reduce the risk to public health, safety and security.

- Possession of dried marihuana for medical use is authorized by health care practitioners.
- The production of medical marihuana in private residences will be discontinued. Current licences will be allowed to expire and not renewed and no new licenses will be issued.
- A potential producer must provide proof of written notification to the local government, police, and fire department of the details of the location and production activities.
- Primary distribution of medical marihuana will be shipped from the licensed producer to the registered client, as retail sales.

The new MMAR's are scheduled to be fully implemented March 31, 2014.

Analysis

Overall the proposed MMAR's are a positive change to improving the health, safety and security in the community by eliminating production licences in private residences. The regulations have been reviewed from a fire and life safety, development, zoning and business licensing perspective and offer the following comments.

Fire & Life Safety

The requirement for producers to inform the Fire Department of the marihuana production operations is positive. Awareness of the location of large marihuana production operations allows the Fire Department to pre-plan for emergency response situations. When called to an emergency at the production location, whether it is fire or first responder, the response activities can be planned and executed in a manner appropriate for the circumstances of the marihuana operation.

The same health, fire and life safety issues, especially electrical safety, can exist in a larger scale commercial operation. The potential risk may be higher due to the property size, number of occupants, volume of hazardous materials on site and the magnitude of the production.

The business licensing process review and inspections typically occur prior to occupancy. Therefore to ensure Fire and Building Codes and Occupational Health and Safety legislations is in compliance post occupancy, regular inspections are necessary. It may be inferred, by stating that the local government and fire department be informed, that the local legislation is to be followed to ensure production facilities are constructed in a manner that meets life, fire, and health safety requirements. Though it is not clearly stated, it is assumed that all commercial producers will be expected to comply with all the municipality's regulatory requirements including regular fire and life safety inspections.

In order to be licensed, the Fire-Rescue Department believes it would be beneficial to clarify the obligation to "comply" with local and provincial laws versus "notification" only.

Development Applications/Zoning

The proposed regulations identify the phasing out of marihuana production within private dwellings. This will address the safety and environmental concerns regarding individuals growing marihuana in single family homes and residential strata lots that are created by the personal production licenses that have been issued by the Federal Government.

The proposed MMARs focus on developing a system that requires the production of marihuana to shift towards commercial scale operations that are contained within a building. The City's zoning bylaw would currently classify the commercial production of medical marihuana, as described in the proposed MMARs, as an "Agriculture" use.

These types of commercial production facilities would likely be permitted as a principal use in the Agriculture (AG1, AG3 & AG4) Zones.

The commercial production of medical marihuana would not be permitted in residential zones as a secondary use because any commercial activity within a residential zoning district must comply with the home business or home based business provisions within the zoning bylaw.

Should Council have any concerns associated with the current classification as an "Agriculture" use within the zoning bylaw, Council could direct staff to investigate the development new zoning regulations to specifically define the use and identify alternative zoning districts where commercial scale medical marihuana production facilities should be located.

The City's zoning powers, however, may be subject to the Federal Government's overriding jurisdiction on medical marihuana.

Business licensing

The proposed MMARs transition the production of medical marihuana to a regulated commercial market. Therefore, in Richmond, a medical marihuana production would require the operator to apply for a Business License. The current licensing regime would be followed, hence a review may be necessary to ensure regulatory compliance in Zoning, Building and Fire. This would be the opportunity for the operations to be inspected and the plans reviewed to ensure code compliance before the operations begins.

Financial Impact

None

Conclusion

The proposed MMAR's have significantly improved and addressed a majority of the concerns presented by the stakeholders.

However, a significant gap in the proposed MMARs was identified. Health Canada does not include a compliance obligation with all municipal and provincial laws for licence issuance, only a notification obligation. The opportunity is available until February 28, 2013 to comment on this gap to Health Canada.

Once the new MMAR's are finalized, staff will conduct a review and report back to Council on commercial production of marihuana in relation to the business licensing regimes, zoning bylaws and fire and life safety inspections.

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "K Howell".

Kim Howell
Deputy Chief - Administration
(604-303-2762)

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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** January 8, 2013
From: Rendall Nessel **File:** 09-5000-01/2012-Vol
Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment 01 (13.01)
Re: RCMP's Monthly Report - December 2012 Activities

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "RCMP's Monthly Report – December 2012 Activities" (dated January 8, 2013, from the OIC RCMP) be received for information.

(Rendall Nessel) Superintendent
Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment
(604-278-1212)

Att. 2

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER 	
REVIEWED BY SMT SUBCOMMITTEE	INITIALS:
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Origin

At the request of the Community Safety Committee, the Officer in Charge (OIC) will inform Council on matters pertaining to policing in the community of Richmond.

Council Term Goals for 2011-2014 identify the desire to ensure that public safety services, measures, service delivery models, and resources are effectively targeted to the City's specific needs and priorities.

Purpose

The following report was prepared to discuss the findings of the Richmond Detachment Marine Program that were conducted on the waterways surrounding the City of Richmond from October 2011 to October 2012.

The report will provide:

1. Statistical data garnered from patrols conducted
2. Rationale for the continuance of these patrols

Background

The Richmond RCMP Marine Program (RMP) was created to allow a uniformed police presence on the waterways which surround the City. Responding to marine related calls of service, vessel safety checks, involvement in marine community events, and the enforcement of various Federal and Provincial Acts and Regulations are typical duties preformed

In 2011, the detachment received a donated 7.33 metre Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB) from the Department of Fisheries & Oceans (DFO). As detailed in last year's report to Committee, the RMP conducted 36 patrols and checked 166 vessels in 2011.

The RMP celebrated another successful year in 2012 with the increase of 6 qualified operators to a total of 10; official naming of the vessel as the "Fraser Guardian"; and a new partnership with the Delta Police Department (DPD).

Auxiliary Constables

As of December 31, Richmond Detachment had 33 active Auxiliary Constables, who recorded 6,918 volunteer hours for 2012 as indicated in the table below. Community policing volunteer hours rose by an average of 13% in comparison to 2011. This was due to a significant increase in the efforts of each volunteer Auxiliary Constable, despite an 8.9% drop in membership. With a new troop planned for 2013, we expect a significant increase in volunteer hours provided to the community over the next several years.

Volunteer Hours

Time Period	Community Policing Hours	Training and Administrative Hours	Patrol Ride-Along Hours	Total Hours
January 2012 to December 2012	3,484	2,028	1,406	6,918

Year to Date Comparison

Year	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Hours	7,080	8,286	7,216	6,918
# of Aux. Cst.	49	41	37	33
Total Hours per A/Cst	139	193	195	206

Summary of Auxiliary Constable Duties from October to December 2012

During this period, Auxiliary Constables have provided a community policing presence at various events, including:

- Ride for Refuge Bicycle Event
- Halloween
- Remembrance Day
- Sunshine Dreams for Kids
- Christmas in Steveston
- Santa Parade
- New Year's Eve

Auxiliary Constables also participated in the following programs and activities:

- Kubota, ATV and foot patrols
- YVR foot patrols
- Youth safety talks

- Home security checks
- Pedestrian safety education
- DARE program
- On Side program
- School sports events
- Counter Attack roadblocks
- Traffic
- General Duty
- PDS

Recruiting

The screening process is continuing for the next troop of 25 Auxiliary Constables to begin training in 2013. There were a total of 133 registered citizens at the information sessions and 70 application packages were submitted. Training for the new troop will commence once all security screening is complete for all selected applicants.

Community Policing

Block Watch

There were 32 residential break and enter email alerts sent in December 2012 to registered Richmond residents informing them of neighbourhood break ins. The email provides crime prevention information and directs them to the crime prevention web pages. There were 141 residential break and enter letters sent in December 2012 to residential break and enter victims and their neighbours, informing them that a break and enter had occurred and encouraging them to start a Block Watch group. This letter also offers crime prevention tips, and directs them to the crime prevention web pages, and encourages them to sign up for email alerts. As of December 31, 2012, a total of 3,231 Richmond residents were registered to receive alerts. This represents an increase of 9.25% since January 1, 2012. In 2012, 512 residential email alerts were sent and 2,400 letters were sent to the residents.

There were 38 business break and enter email alerts sent in December 2012 to registered Richmond businesses informing them of neighbourhood break ins. The email provides crime prevention information and directs them to the crime prevention web pages. There were 29 Business Link letters sent to Richmond businesses that experienced a break and enter in December 2012. The letter offers crime prevention tips, and directs businesses to the crime prevention web pages and encourages them to sign up for the email alerts. As of December 31, 2012, a total of 666 Richmond businesses are registered to receive alerts, which is an increase of 36.5% since January 1, 2012. In 2012, 288 business email alerts were sent and 211 letters were sent to the businesses.

The *Crime Prevention Newsletter - Winter 2013* (Attachment 1) was published and distributed on-line. This newsletter is emailed to Block Watch participants and all Richmond residents who

have registered their email address. Copies will also be available at all Community Police Stations in Richmond, the RCMP Detachment, and at City Hall.

The *Business Link Newsletter - 4th Quarter 2012* (Attachment 2) was published and distributed on-line. This newsletter is emailed to Business Link participants who have registered their email address, and is also mailed to commercial break and enter victims. .

Community Police Stations

Richmond Detachment Stolen Auto Recovery and Lock Out Auto Crime Statistics

CPS	YTD	# Of Stolen Auto Recovery and Lock out Auto Crime Deployments	Vehicles Viewed For Signs Of Auto Crime Only	Vehicles Scanned Through Stolen Auto Recovery (SAR)	Vehicles Issued A Crime Prevention Notice	Patrol And Admin Hours
City Center	May-Dec	55	11,832	7,680	4,221	273
South Arm	Jan – Dec	114	24,534	16,511	9,063	545
Steveston	Jan – Dec	168	34,031	410 ¹	4,732	731
Year to Date Totals		337	70,397	24,601	18,016	1,549

Richmond Detachment Speed Watch Statistics

CPS	YTD	# Of Speed Watch Deployments	Total Vehicles Checked	Over 10 Km/h	Admin Hours For Office Duties	Number of Warning Letters Issued
City Center	May – Dec	92	54,583	8,795	755	3,232
South Arm	Jan – Dec	86	43,761	5,418	625	2,391
Steveston	Jan – Dec	49	32,639	19,823	321	1,088
Year to Date Totals		227	130,983	34,036	1,701	6,711

¹ SAR equipment available in October only

Richmond Detachment Distracted Drivers Statistics

CPS	YTD	Deployments	Number of Letters Sent
City Center	May to December	57	283
South Arm	January to December	53	403
Year to Date Totals		110	686

Volunteer Bike Patrols

The main objectives of the Volunteer Bike Patrol and Foot Patrol are to observe and report suspicious activity, abandoned houses, grow operations, graffiti and distracted drivers.

CPS	YTD	Deployments	Hours
City Center	January to December	55	827

Volunteer Foot Patrols

CPS	YTD	Deployments	Hours
City Center	Opened May 22 to December	35	247

Business Link (Formerly Business Watch Program)

The new Volunteer Business Link program (previously called Business Watch) was launched on July 12 at the City Centre Community Police Station. Volunteers go door-to-door to businesses delivering Crime Prevention information packages which include a Business Link newsletter and brochure. Volunteers offer to install a height strip for the business and ask for their email address. The business email addresses are added to the Commercial Break and Enter Email Alert distribution groups and receive an email when a commercial break and enter occurs in their neighbourhood.

Name Change from Business Watch to Business Link

The name Business Watch was changed to Business Link in December 2012. This change is supported by RCMP E Division HQ and Richmond RCMP's Downtown Crime Reduction Initiative. The rationale behind the change was to identify the Business Link program from the Block Watch program. The businesses don't "watch" other businesses but are provided with crime prevention information that they can use to protect their premises.

Business Link Brochures

The Business Link brochures were translated into Chinese for distribution to Richmond's Chinese businesses. The brochures provide information on how to increase the security of their businesses. Brochures are mailed to break and enter victims and hand-delivered to Chinese business owners by RCMP officers and volunteer staff.

Business Link

	Deployments	Number of Businesses Visited	Hours
Started July 12	10	207	44
August	2	28	9
September	6	69	40
October	4	36	18
November	2	14	5
December	1	3	6
Total	25	357	122

Road Safety Unit**Richmond Detachment Traffic Statistics**

Name	Act	Example	Oct	Nov	Dec
Violation Tickets	Provincial Act Offences	Speeding	956	732	851
Notice & Orders	Equipment Violations	Broken Tail-light	423	451	462
Driving Suspensions	Motor Vehicle Act	24 hour driving prohibition for alcohol or drugs	50	34	58
Parking Offences	Municipal Bylaw	On or off the street Municipal parking offences	41	18	28
MTI's	Municipal Ticket Information	Any other Municipal Bylaw offence	5	0	0

Victim Services

In December, Richmond RCMP Victim Services provided services to 30 new clients in addition to an active caseload of 129 ongoing files. During this period, Victim Services attended to 11 crime and trauma scenes.

Crime Statistics

Crime Stats – see Appendix “A”

Crime Maps – see Appendix “B”

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact associated with this report

Conclusion

The Officer in Charge, Richmond Detachment continues to ensure Richmond remains a safe and desirable community. The OIC will continue to provide monthly updates, which reflect the level of safety in Richmond.



Lainie Goddard
Manager, RCMP Administration
(604-207-4767)

RICHMOND RCMP**4th Qrt. 2012**

CRIME PREVENTION

WORKING TOGETHER TO PREVENT CRIME**NEWSLETTER**

Personal Safety

Many people fear the possibility of being robbed or assaulted while outside the safety of their home and, though these incidents are fairly rare, they do happen. The most important thing in any of these situations is to be aware of your surroundings at all times and to trust your instincts. If a certain person, place, or situation makes you feel uncomfortable, get out immediately and remember while:

Running, Jogging or Rollerblading

- Make sure you know your route;
- Stay in well-lit areas;
- Dress to be seen: wear bright clothing or reflective armbands to increase your visibility in the dark;
- Remove your headphones; don't use your cell phone or other electronics. Focus your full attention on what's happening around you; and
- When cycling or rollerblading, wear a helmet.

Using an ATM

- If anything strikes you as suspicious, use a different machine—trust your instincts;
- After dark, use well-lit machines;
- Do not use a machine if there is someone hanging around;
- Cover the keypad with one hand while typing in your code with the other, even if you are by yourself, it is a good habit to start;
- If no money comes out, make sure to check the money slot for blockages and notify the bank immediately; and
- If using a drive-through bank machine, make sure all of your car doors are locked.



Using Transit

- Choose busy and visible stops;
- Use well-lit stops and sit near the driver; and
- If the bus doesn't come and you are in a hurry, do not hitchhike—it is dangerous and in some cases illegal.

City Services— Who to Call



RCMP (emergency)	9-1-1
RCMP (non-emergency)	604-278-1212
City of Richmond	
Main Switchboard	604-276-4000
Public Works Requests—Works Yard	604-244-1262
• To report street surface problems	
• Missing, damaged or blocked traffic signs	
• Burned out street lights or damaged light poles	
• Watermain leaks or water quality (dirty water)	
• Abandoned bikes	
For 24 hour service, call	604-270-8721
Traffic Operations	604-276-4032 or 604-276-4210
• To report an obstruction to motorists' sightlines (fences, trees, shrubs, etc.)	
Traffic Signal Outage	604-247-4616
Community Bylaws	604-276-4345
Richmond Fire Department (non-emergency) ..	604-278-5131
Richmond Emergency Programs	604-233-3333
Crimestoppers	604-669-8477
www.solvecrime.ca	



Block Watch has Moved To:

**City Centre Community
Police Station**

#140 – 5671 No. 3 Road
Richmond, BC

Phone: 604-207-4829

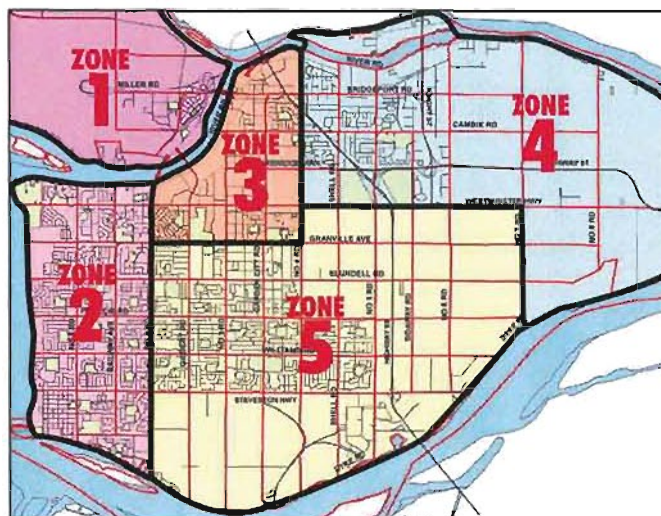
Fax: 604-270-9372

Email: blockwatch@richmond.ca

Richmond Residential Break and Enters July–December 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012

	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Zone 5
July 2009	1	9	7	2	11
July 2010	0	19	1	1	24
July 2011	0	11	10	8	18
July 2012	0	14	4	2	22
Aug. 2009	0	10	10	2	15
Aug. 2010	0	11	5	4	21
Aug. 2011	0	7	12	5	10
Aug. 2012	0	12	4	2	24
Sept. 2009	0	11	10	3	10
Sept. 2010	0	9	7	6	16
Sept. 2011	0	7	2	1	9
Sept. 2012	0	10	4	3	13
Oct. 2009	0	6	13	4	13
Oct. 2010	0	11	10	2	22
Oct. 2011	0	6	3	1	10
Oct. 2012	0	18	11	1	29
Nov. 2009	1	8	17	5	21
Nov. 2010	0	12	4	2	20
Nov. 2011	10	33	11	7	36
Nov. 2012	0	12	10	7	24
Dec. 2009	0	8	14	3	16
Dec. 2010	0	22	7	9	22
Dec. 2011	0	10	10	2	15
Dec. 2012	0	14	12	5	18

Zone Map



The map outlines the five zones in Richmond. The chart to the left provides details on the number of Residential B&Es that have occurred in each zone.

After a Break and Enter, if your residence/business has been broken into, do not touch anything. If a suspect is present, call 9-1-1. If no suspect is present, call the Police non-emergency number at 604-278-1212. You will be asked for a description and the serial numbers of any stolen items.

Please visit www.richmond.ca/crime for neighbourhood crime information and www.richmond.ca/homesafety for home security tips.

Point of Entry Breakdown (Dec. 2012)

- Zone 1** 0 Residential B&E
- Zone 2** 14 Residential B&E including: 1 unlocked door/8 thru door/1 unlocked window/2 thru window/1 thru patio & 1 other point of entry
- Zone 3** 12 Residential B&E including: 2 unlocked door/4 thru door/3 thru window/1 thru patio & 2 other points of entry
- Zone 4** 5 Residential B&E including: 1 unlocked door/1 thru door/1 thru window & 2 thru patio
- Zone 5** 18 Residential B&E including: 5 thru door/4 thru window/7 thru patio/1 thru unlocked patio & 1 other point of entry

Email Break & Enter Alerts

Email your name and street address to: blockwatch@richmond.ca to receive an email alert should a residential break and enter occur in your neighbourhood.

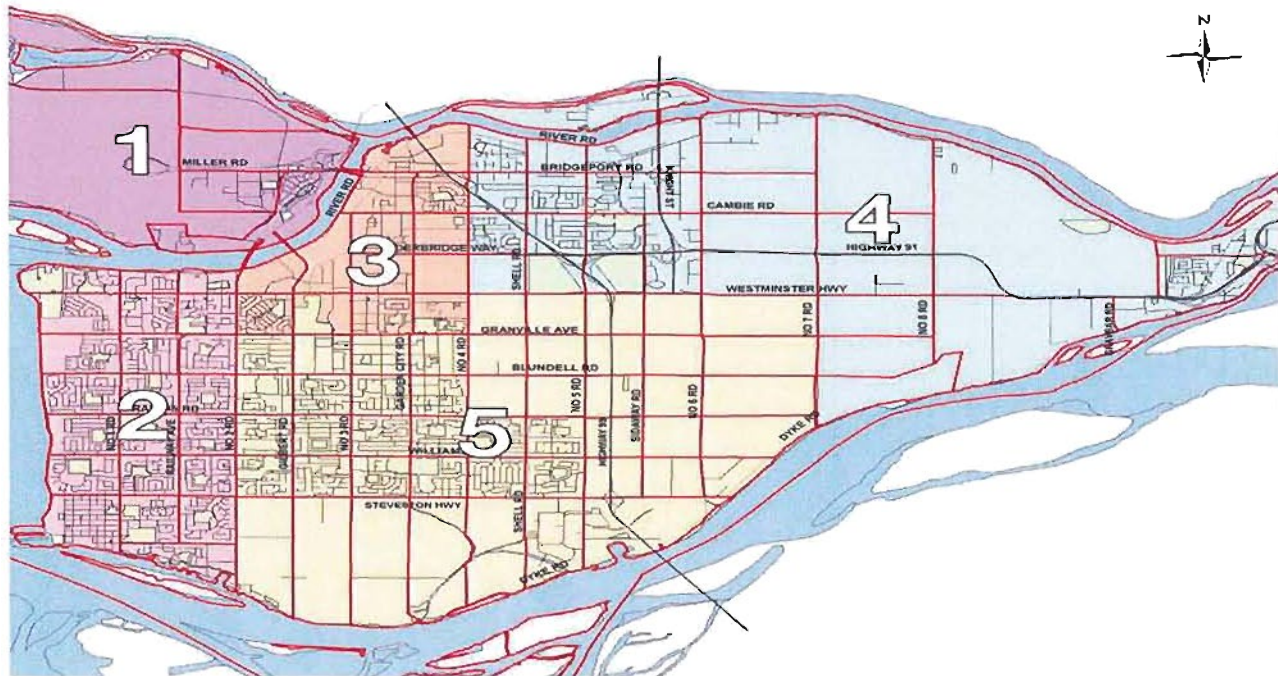


Royal Canadian
Mounted Police





**Richmond RCMP Crime Prevention Unit
Business Link Newsletter (4th Quarter 2012)
Commercial Break and Enters: October, November and December 2010, 2011 and 2012**



The map above outlines the five zones in Richmond.

The chart below provides details on the number of Commercial B&Es that have occurred in each zone:

Zone	Oct 2010	Oct 2011	Oct 2012	Nov 2010	Nov 2011	Nov 2012	Dec 2010	Dec 2011	Dec 2012
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
2	3	0	0	5	2	2	0	3	5
3	21	14	26	21	10	18	11	9	22
4	17	13	11	4	2	27	6	2	24
5	7	6	6	1	4	12	4	11	6

Point of Entry Breakdown (Oct./Nov./Dec. 2012):

Zone 1	3 Commercial Break and Enters: 3 through doors
Zone 2	7 Commercial Break and Enters: 4 through doors / 1 thru window / 2 other points of entry
Zone 3	66 Commercial Break and Enters: including: 41 through doors / 15 through windows / 5 fence bypassed / 5 other
Zone 4	62 Commercial Break and Enters: including: 40 through doors / 3 through window / 12 fences bypassed / 7 other
Zone 5	24 Commercial Break and Enters: including 18 through doors / 1 thru window / 2 fences bypassed / 3 other

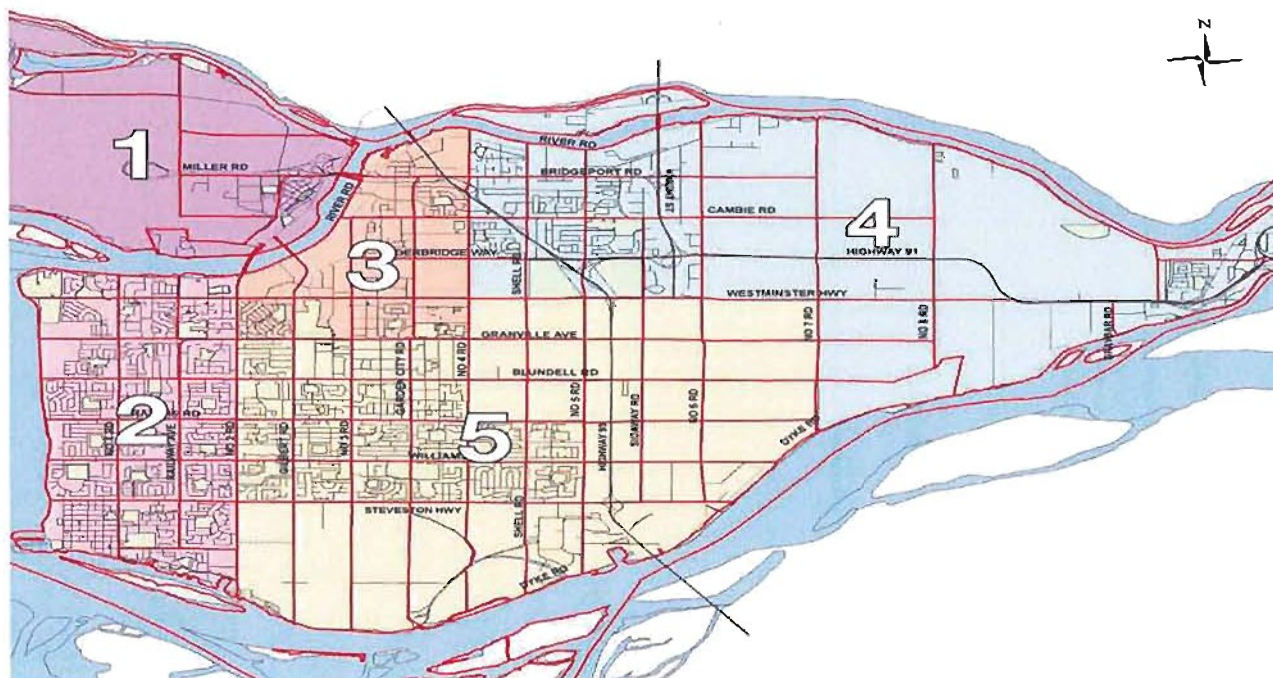
For information on how to improve the security of your business, please visit: www.richmond.ca/businesslink

Report all suspicious and criminal activity to the Police. If a suspect is present, call 9-1-1.

If no suspect is present, call the Police non-emergency number at 604-278-1212.

To receive email alerts of neighbourhood commercial break and enters,
register your business name and street address at:
RCMP_Business_Link@richmond.ca

Richmond RCMP Crime Prevention Unit



The map above outlines the five zones in Richmond.
The chart below provides details on the number of Commercial B&Es that have occurred in each zone:

Commercial Break and Enters: January, February and March 2010, 2011 and 2012

Zone	Jan 2010	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Feb 2010	Feb 2011	Feb 2012	Mar 2010	Mar 2011	Mar 2012
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
2	3	0	4	4	6	1	6	2	1
3	18	7	6	17	12	9	13	11	11
4	19	10	3	11	11	5	14	20	7
5	6	2	11	4	3	2	3	5	3

Commercial Break and Enters: April, May and June 2010, 2011 and 2012

Zone	Apr 2010	Apr 2011	Apr 2012	May 2010	May 2011	May 2012	Jun 2010	Jun 2011	Jun 2012
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	3	4	3	4	1	6	7	1	5
3	15	11	15	13	9	3	14	6	10
4	15	9	20	20	8	8	28	4	10
5	10	2	5	7	6	3	4	9	6

Commercial Break and Enters: July, August and September 2010, 2011 and 2012

Zone	Jul 2010	Jul 2011	Jul 2012	Aug 2010	Aug 2011	Aug 2012	Sept 2010	Sept 2011	Sept 2012
1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
2	3	2	4	3	1	3	1	2	0
3	12	11	12	13	14	15	18	12	18
4	15	7	19	13	6	16	15	5	17
5	1	4	8	4	3	8	5	3	1



DECEMBER 2012 STATISTICS

This chart identifies the monthly totals for all founded Criminal Code offences, excluding Traffic Criminal Code. 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 offences are highlighted in this chart. In addition, monthly totals for Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) offences are included.

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 average, it will be noted in **red**, while below-average 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. Please note that percentage changes are inflated in categories with small numbers (e.g.: Sexual Offences).

	CURRENT MONTH	5-YR AVERAGE RANGE	YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS			
	Dec-12	December	2011 YTD	2012 YTD	% Change	Change In # of Offenses
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	96	119-158	1541	1324	-14.1%	-217
Robbery	5	10-14	139	129	-7.2%	-10
Assault	38	42-60	546	463	-15.2%	-83
Assault w/ Weapon	9	7-16	144	135	-6.3%	-9
Sexual Offences	0	4-12	83	51	-38.6%	-32
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	738	604-734	7600	8014	5.4%	414
Business B&E	60	36-57	362	519	43.4%	157
Residential B&E	54	44-74	748	641	-14.3%	-107
MV Theft	45	27-42	299	322	7.7%	23
Theft From MV	222	122-250	1854	2261	22.0%	407
Theft	114	105-135	1383	1478	6.9%	95
Shoplifting	66	31-70	718	732	1.9%	14
Metal Theft	0	2-9	44	19	-56.8%	-25
Fraud	39	37-52	567	491	-13.4%	-76
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	194	166-203	2332	2403	3.0%	71
Arson - Property	4	3-8	71	40	-43.7%	-31
SUBTOTAL (UCR 1000- to 3000-Series)	1028	894-1089	11473	11741	2.3%	268
DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	59	58-91	1110	881	-20.6%	-229

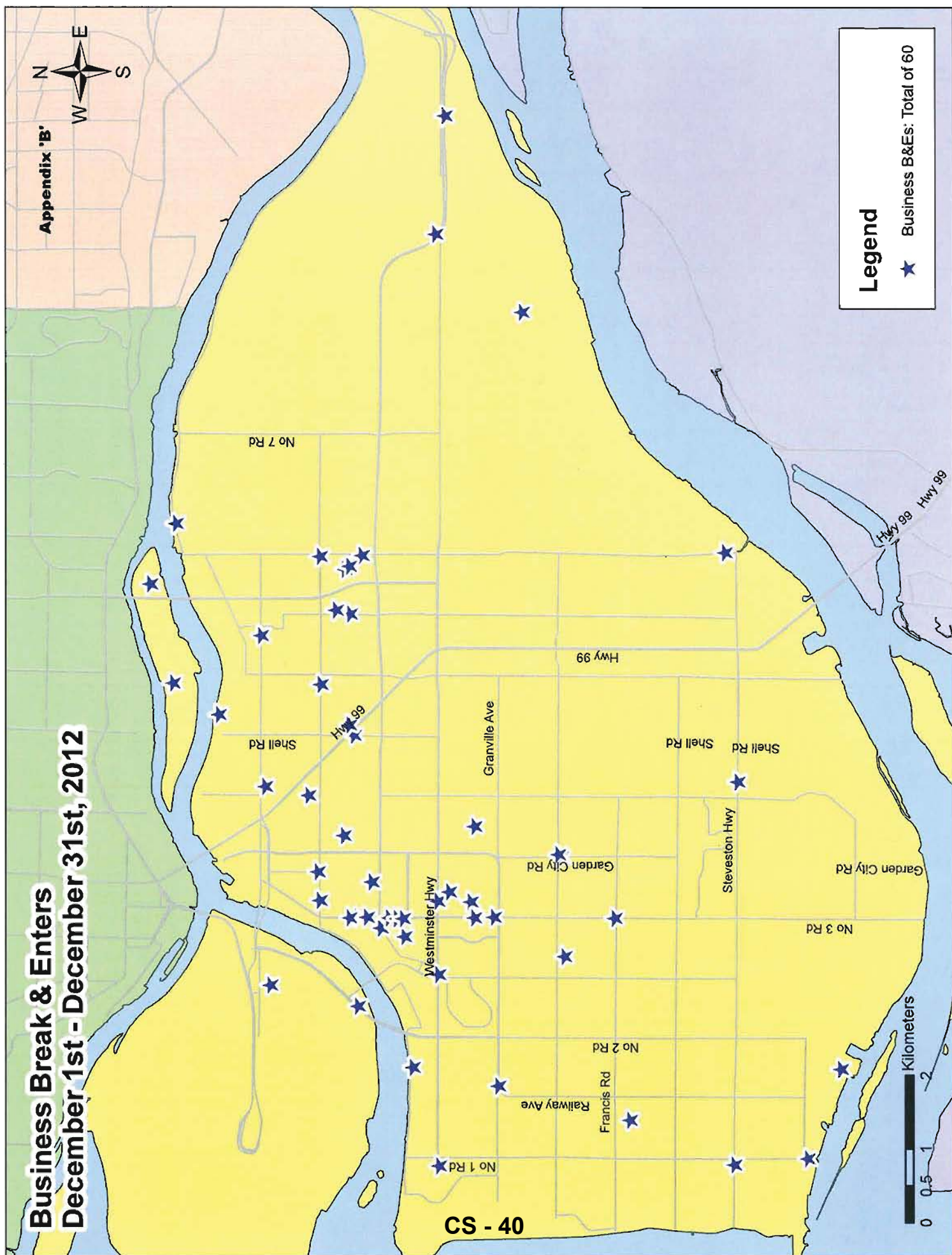
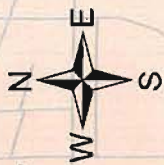
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**Business Break & Enters
December 1st - December 31st, 2012**

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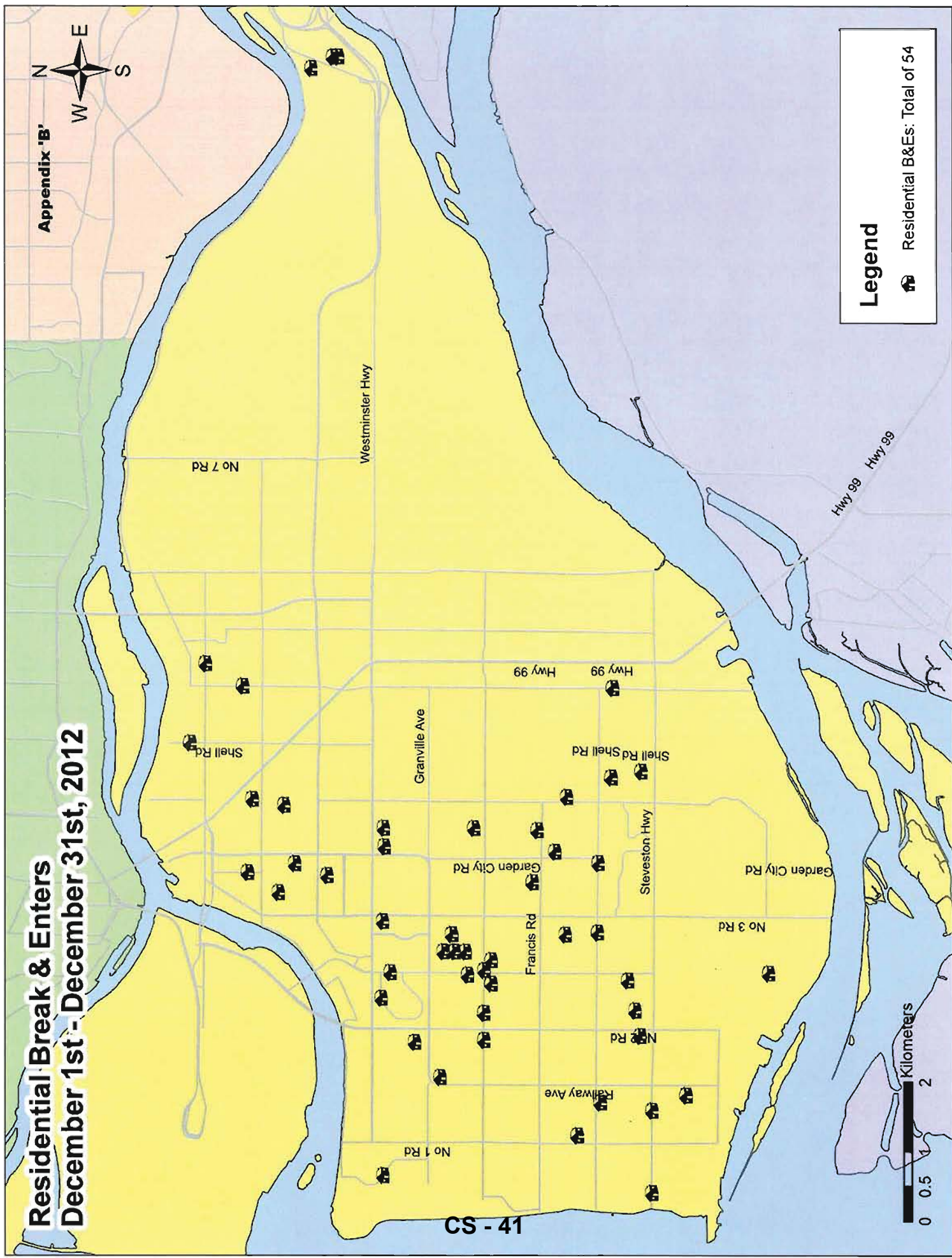
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★ Business B&Es: Total of 60


**Residential Break & Enters
December 1st - December 31st, 2012**

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-  Residential B&Es: Total of 54




Auto Theft December 1st - December 31st, 2012

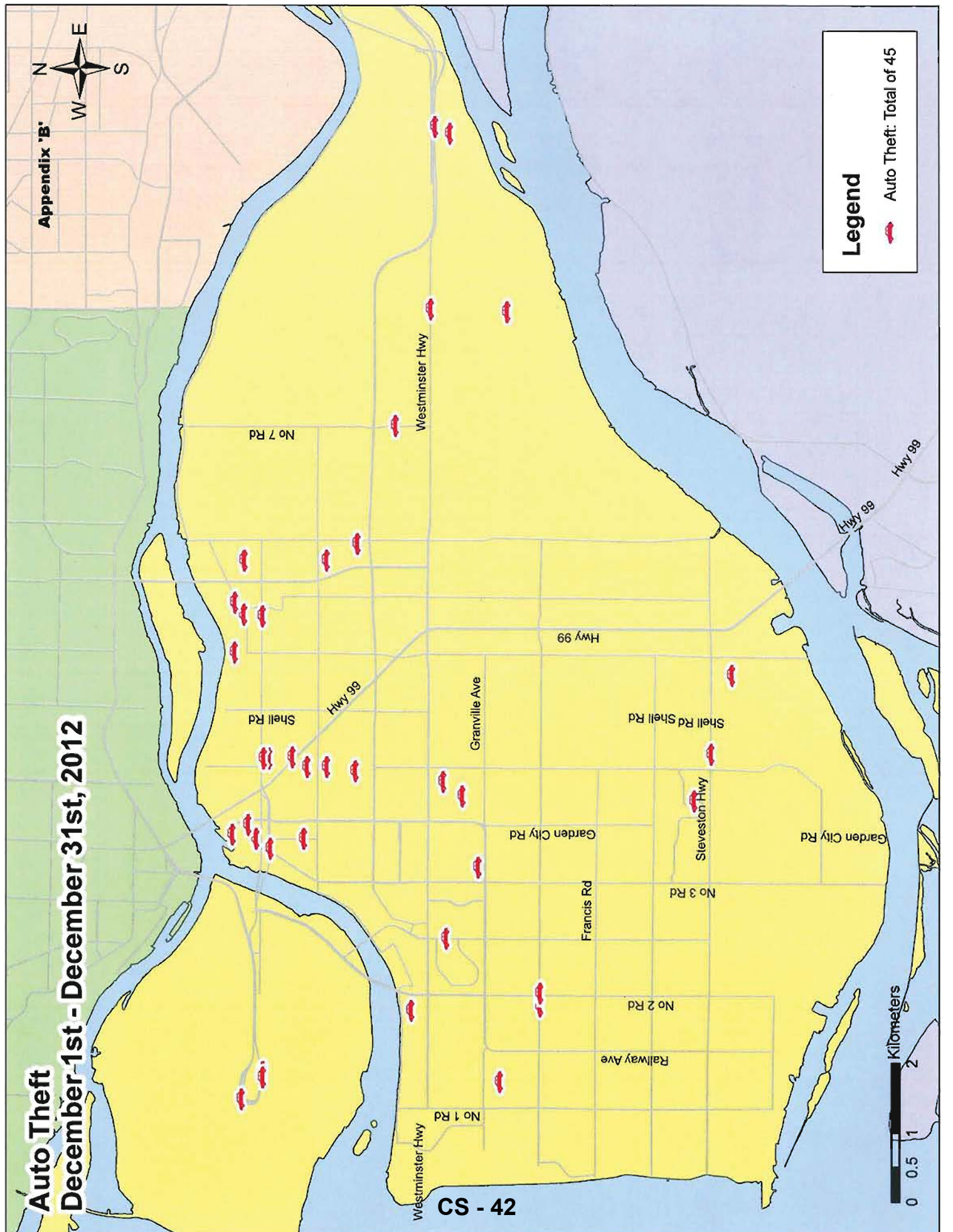
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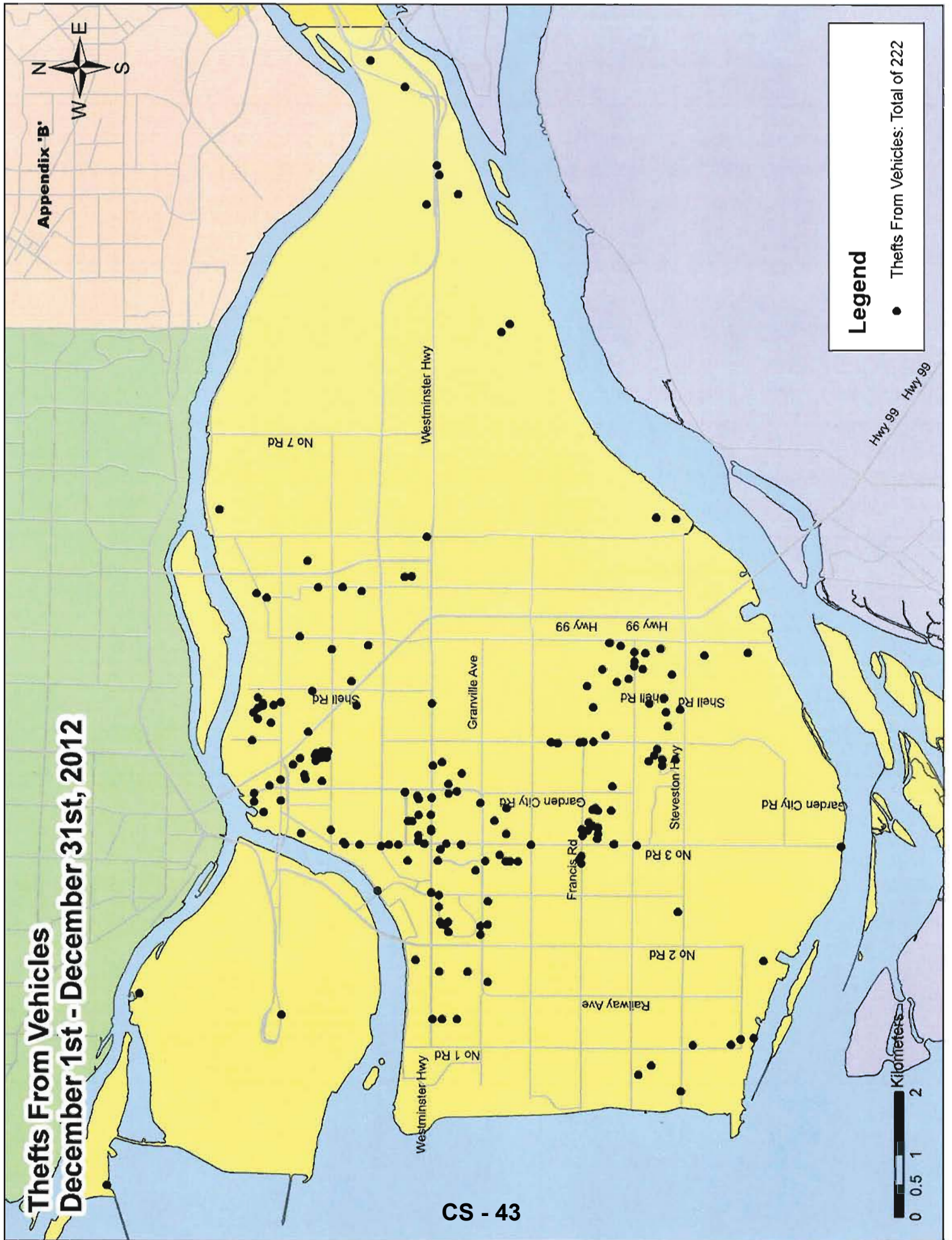
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 Auto Theft: Total of 45



Thefts From Vehicles **December 1st - December 31st, 2012**

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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee

Date: January 20, 2013

From: Rendall Nasset
Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment

File: 09-5000-01/2010-Vol
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Re: Marine Patrol Program 2012

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "Marine Patrol Program 2012" (dated January 20, 2013, from the OIC RCMP) be received for information.

(Rendall Nasset) Superintendent
Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment
(604-278-1212)

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER 	
REVIEWED BY SMT SUBCOMMITTEE	INITIALS:
REVIEWED BY CAO	INITIALS:

Origin

At the request of the Community Safety Committee, the Officer in Charge (OIC) will inform Council on matters pertaining to policing in the community of Richmond.

Council's Term goals for 2011-2014 identify Community Safety as a high priority to ensure that public safety services, service delivery models and resources are effectively targeted to the City's specific needs and priorities.

Purpose

The following report was prepared to discuss the findings of the Richmond Detachment Marine Program that were conducted on the waterways surrounding the City of Richmond from October 2011 to October 2012.

The report will address:

1. Document and share statistical data garnered from patrols conducted
2. Provide rationale for the continuance of these patrols

Background

The Richmond RCMP Marine Program (RMP) was created to allow a uniformed police presence on the waterways which surround the City as well as responding to marine related calls of service, and also includes, vessel safety checks, involvement in marine community events, and the enforcement of various Federal and Provincial Acts and Regulations (Criminal Code, Fisheries Act, Canada Shipping Act, and Small Vessel Regulations).

In 2011, the detachment received a donated 7.33 metre Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB) as a result of a strong and long standing partnership with the Department of Fisheries & Oceans (DFO). As detailed in last year's report to Committee, the RMP conducted 36 patrols and checked 166 vessels in 2011.

The RMP celebrated another successful year in 2012 with the increase of 6 qualified operators to a total of 10; official naming of the vessel as the "Fraser Guardian"; and a new partnership with the Delta Police Department (DPD).

Analysis

Deployment and Statistics (October 2011 – October 2012)

Total patrol shifts:	77
Total vessels checked ¹ :	218
Total marine related calls for service:	43

Number of Patrols:

2011	
October	5
November	0
December	3
2012	
January	6
February	4
March	5
April	3
June	16
July	15
August	13
September	7
TOTAL:	77

The 77 patrol shifts, generally 6 to 8 hours in length, were concentrated on the weekends from June to October which is when most vessel traffic is encountered on the waters surrounding Richmond.

During the past season, there were 218 vessel checks. Each check typically lasted for approximately 15 minutes where each vessel is inspected to ensure all the required safety equipment is on-board. Depending on the results of the check the vessel was either allowed to continue or was directed to a safe location to correct the deficiency.

In 2011 most pleasure craft operators said that they had never been checked by police on the water, while in 2012, pleasure craft operators indicated that the checks were good educational experiences as well as good practical exercises to know the location of the safety equipment on board just in case there was an emergency.

¹For every vessel stop conducted, a written document is issued to the boater, indicating reason for the stop, which can be in the form of a warning ticket, actual violation ticket or a fisheries ticket or a combination of all three.

Some of the highlights of the files that the Richmond RCMP Marine Program attended include:

-Several known gang associates were checked multiple times and intelligence shared with units such as the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit (CFSEU) Gang Taskforce and Integrated Proceeds of Crime (IPOC) Units.

-A serious boat collision which involved an impaired operator of a vessel was attended to in the islands near Delta, BC. The Fraser Guardian attended and transported the impaired operator to Delta Police members.

-Being first on scene of an emergency landing of an aircraft in the South Arm of the Fraser River. The Fraser Guardian towed the aircraft safely to the Steveston Harbour.

-2 stolen vessels were recovered and one of them was delivered back to its rightful owner.

-Assisted in a rescue of a couple stranded on Shady Island with the Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue.

-Several body recoveries.

-The Fraser Guardian assisted with numerous tows of disabled vessels to the nearest safe dock.

Community Engagement

A cornerstone of the Richmond Marine Program is for community engagement, which is one of the primary focuses of each patrol. Members patrolled local marine communities, harbours and marinas, and took part in every available marine community event that occurred in Richmond throughout the spring and summer. The boat will continue to attend any and all events throughout the year and will contribute to the safety of those events. Community events that the vessel took part in included:

- Taking part in patrols and boat launch checks for all 3 Celebration of Lights Fireworks nights
- Participating in the Richmond Maritime Festival
- Patrolling the Ships to Shore Festival
- Participating in the Dragon Boat Festival
- Patrolling the UBC Rowing Club (middle arm) Regatta.
- Name the boat contest for grade 5-7 students of Richmond schools. A media release and public event was held and the winning submission was for the name "The Fraser Guardian".

Partner Agencies

New to 2012, was a trial partnership with the Delta Police Department (DPD). The partnership will continue to be assessed to determine the benefit to both agencies. Under this new partnership, the DPD agreed to share costs of the operation of the vessel and supplied DPD

members to board the Fraser Guardian. This partnership had had many benefits and is very viable as the two neighbouring jurisdictions share a large portion of the waterways that surround the City of Richmond.

Another benefit to this partnership is that it did not impact the Richmond RCMP resources as only one member is required to operate the Fraser Guardian and the DPD member serves as the second police officer aboard for officer safety reasons. DPD also agreed to pay an hourly rate while aboard the vessel which has assisted in covering the operating costs of the vessel.

In 2012, the Richmond Marine Program has continued partnerships with:

- Richmond Fire – Rescue (RFR)
- The Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue (RCMSAR) which was previously named the Auxiliary Coast Guard
- Vancouver Police Department (Marine Unit)
- RCMP Support Services (Air Services, Police Dog Services (PDS), IHIT, ERT)
- Coquitlam RCMP (Marine Unit)
- North Vancouver RCMP (Marine Unit)
- New West Police Department (Marine Unit)
- Delta Police Department
- Canada Coast Guard
- Transport Canada
- Steveston Harbour Authority
- Vancouver Fraser Port Authority

Financial Analysis

Revenues:

Seasonal policing contribution from E Division	\$26,498.80	
Delta Police contribution for cost sharing	<u>\$4,062.50</u>	
Total Revenues:		<u>\$30,561.30</u>

Expenses:

Maintenance and Supplies	\$4,739.72	
Fuel	\$9,505.01	
Moorage	\$5,600.00	
Overtime	<u>\$10,716.57</u>	
Total Expenses:		<u>\$30,561.30</u>

Total cost to Richmond Detachment **\$0.00**

Conclusion

The Marine Patrol Program was implemented in 2011 to conduct uniformed police patrols in the waterways surrounding the City of Richmond; to interact with the marine community and to detect, deter and investigate criminal activity in these waterways.

Given the feedback from recreational boaters and the increased deployment of the Fraser Guardian, the Richmond Marine Program has shown to be a valuable asset to the City of Richmond. The detachment has increased the levels of qualified operators to 10 police officers, the vessel was officially named the Fraser Guardian by the community, a new partnership was formed with the DPD and Marine Program has continued extensive community engagement.

A sound policing philosophy is meant to prevent crime and potential dangerous situations. Having the Fraser Guardian out on the water, educating and ensuring the vessels have all the safety equipment is one way the Richmond Marine Program is committed to enhancing the safety for the city of Richmond. The marine patrols have come to a close for the 2012 summer season; however, the boat remains available for calls for service and all marine related events.



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Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee

Date: January 24, 2013

From: Phyllis L. Carlyle
General Manager, Law & Community Safety

File: 12-8060-01/2011-Vol 01

Re: Community Bylaws - December 2012 Activity Report

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled Community Bylaws – December 2012 Activity Report (dated January 24, 2013 from the General Manager, Law & Community Safety) be received for information.

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REPORT CONCURRENCE			
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Staff Report

Origin

This monthly activity report for the Community Bylaws Division provides information on each of the following areas:

1. Parking Program
2. Property Use
3. Grease Management Program
4. Animal Control
5. Adjudication Program
6. Revenue & Expenses

Analysis

1. Parking Program

Customer Service Response

An average of 36 daily calls for service was fielded by administration staff in December 2012. This represents a decrease of approximately 10% compared to November 2012, and a 24% increase compared to calls reported in December 2011.

Enforcement Activity

166 parking violations were either cancelled and/or changed to a warning for the month of December 2012, reflecting 7.1% of the violations issued during that month.

The following list provides a breakdown of the most common reasons for the cancellation of bylaw violation notices, pursuant to Council's Grounds for Cancellation Policy No. 1100 under specific sections:

Section 2.1 (a) Identity issues	26	15.70%
Section 2.1 (c) Poor likelihood of success at adjudication	28	16.90%
Section 2.1 (d) Contravention necessary - health related	2	1.10%
Section 2.1 (e) Multiple violations issued for one incident	4	2.40%
Section 2.1 (f) Not in the public interest	63	38.00%
Section 2.1 (g) Proven effort to comply	43	25.90%

A total of 2165 notices of bylaw violation were issued for parking, safety and liability infractions within the City during the month of December 2012. This indicates a decrease of approximately 3% when compared to the number of violations issued in December 2011.

A recent review of the department's enforcement statistics found that some administrative entries were being captured within the above noted categories. Administrative entries are defined primarily as tickets that have been entered erroneously by bylaw officers through their hand held ticketing units. In order to provide Council with a more accurate picture of parking enforcement activities, staff have been asked to introduce this category in future reports, effective January 1st, 2013.

Program Highlights

A total of three incidents of meter vandalism were identified this month. Resultant meter inactivity due to service requirements negatively impacted meter revenue for December 2012.

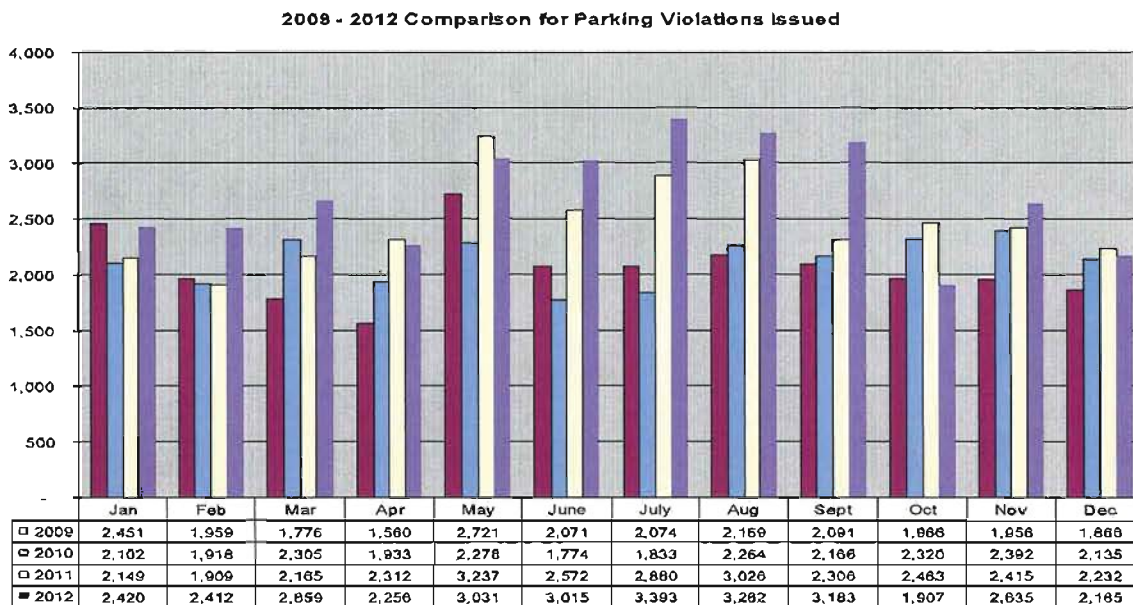
As mentioned in previous reports, Community Bylaws is currently involved in a "Request For Proposal" (RFP) for the replacement of all existing and out-dated parking equipment. The durability and security features of new meters are expected to minimize damage and theft, resulting in increased revenue and decreased maintenance costs.

The parking section continues to work with the Richmond Centre for Disabilities (RCD) to implement Council approved changes to the City's accessible parking permit privileges. Preparations are on schedule for a program launch during the first quarter of 2013. The department is currently working on amendments to the RCD application form, design of a new RCD parking decal, development of educational pamphlets, a media strategy, and a schedule for progressive enforcement.

The parking section is transitioning to the "Tempest" case tracking system which was recently implemented in the property section. This system, once complete, will provide comprehensive tracking of all parking section activities, including the monitoring of service file requests generated by the public and by our internal clients, such as Richmond Fire-Rescue and the RCMP. The system will allow for the coordinated tracking of files such as those related to animal control, dog licensing, property complaints, and extra patrols. Further, the "Tempest" system will capture detailed outcomes for all aforementioned activities and provide potential for extensive reporting capabilities.

The parking section has embarked upon an internal review of all of its operations for a comprehensive assessment of parking and animal control activities. The intention of the review is to provide a clear analysis of all departmental activities and their effectiveness on service delivery to the public and our clients. The department hopes to identify service enhancements and cost efficiencies that will ultimately benefit all Richmond taxpayers.

Following is a month-to-month comparison chart reflecting the number of violations issued for the years 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012:

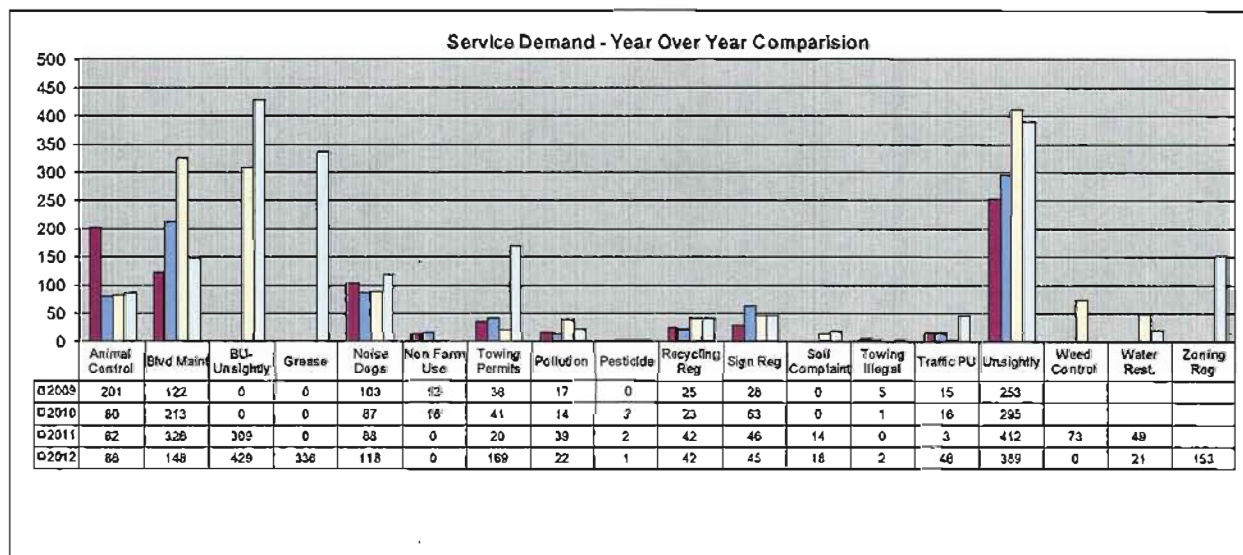
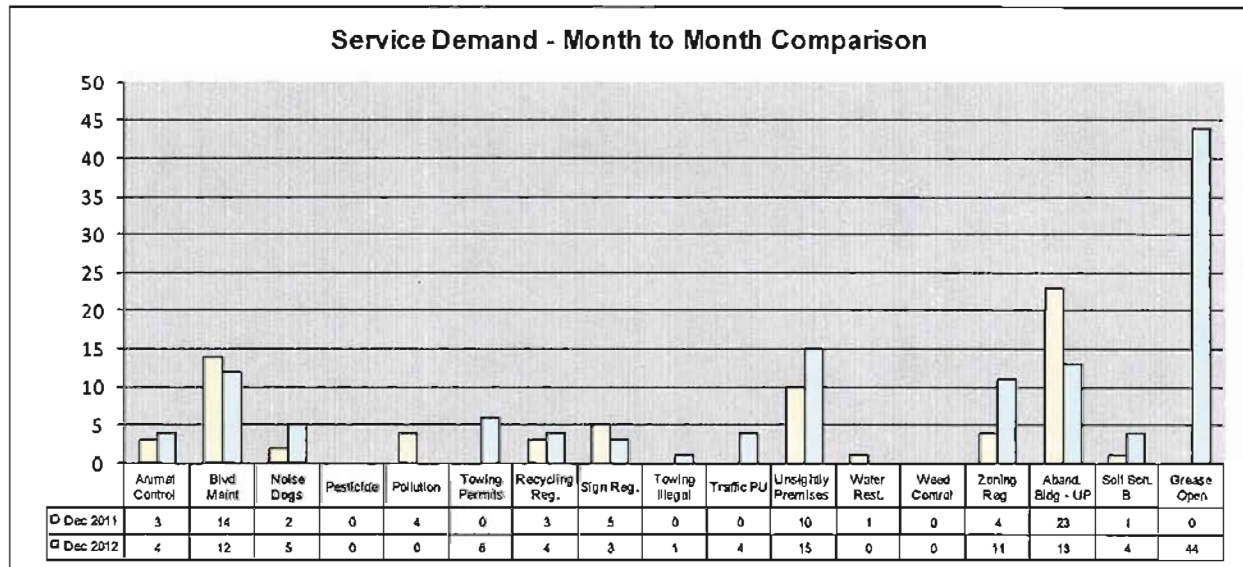


2. Property Use

Enforcement Activity

Bylaw Property-Use officers continue to be committed to the delivery of professional by-law enforcement in a timely and effective manner. The mandate remains to achieve compliance with the City's regulatory by-laws through education, mediation and, as necessary progressive enforcement and prosecution. For December 2012, 82 investigation files were created and assigned for inspection and/or appropriate enforcement. This file load indicates an increase of approximately 15% when compared to December 2011.

Proactive enforcement efforts continue with regard to the "Abandoned/Vacant Home Joint Operations" program. This program, which started in June 2011, involves the Community Bylaw department partnering and working in concert with RCMP and Richmond Fire-Rescue. Thirteen abandoned/vacant home investigation files were created during the month of December 2012. The following charts compare Property Use service demand by type for December 2012 and December 2011, as well as by year:



3. Grease Management Program

The Grease Management inspector conducted sixty-four regulatory visits to forty-four food sector establishments during December 2012, which resulted in the issuance of nine by-law violations. Two cases were referred to Metro Vancouver for decisions regarding the installation and design of grease interceptors or traps.

Staff met with technical consultants from Lansdowne Centre as a follow up to November's meeting. City staff is conducting regular meetings to emphasize concerns regarding the importance of regular preventative maintenance to manage operational issues at the Alderbridge pump station. A further follow up meeting with Lansdowne management will be scheduled in January 2013, and will include staff from both Community Bylaws and City Engineering.

Community Bylaws also met with sanitary operations and engineering staff to discuss priority business areas for a more strategic deployment of grease inspections. Future inspections will target areas which Engineering has identified as having elevated levels of grease accumulation.

4. Dispute Adjudication Program

There was no adjudication hearing scheduled during the month of December 2012. The next Adjudication Hearing is scheduled for January 29, 2013.

5. Animal Control

The Community Bylaws department issued thirty-seven new dog licences, and issued or renewed eighteen dangerous dog licenses during the month of December 2012.

Staff responded to seventeen requests for enforcement patrols during the month of December 2012. There were also three dog bite incidents reported during this time, each resulting in a dangerous dog investigation.

There were a total of 5523 dogs licensed at the end of the 2012 licensing season (November 1, 2011 through October 31, 2012). As of December 31, 2012 there are 1745 dogs licensed for the 2013 season.

6. Revenue and Expenses

Consolidated Parking Program Revenue:

Monthly parking meter, permit and enforcement revenue decreased by 11.2% compared to the same period last year. Specifically, consolidated revenues were \$93,667 for December 2012 compared to \$105,550 for December 2011.

Meter Revenue

Meter revenue decreased by 5.6% compared to the same period last year. This decrease in revenue during the holiday season is consistent with an increase of 36.5% in November and can be attributed to retail promotions such as "Black Friday" and "Cyber Monday", which attracted early shoppers. Specifically, meter revenue was \$31,988 for December 2012 compared to \$33,878 for December 2011.

Permit Revenue

Permit revenue decreased by 35.0% compared to the same period last year. This revenue decrease was caused by a fluctuation in annual permit payments, which commonly occurs between December and January every year. Specifically, permit revenue was \$10,413 for December 2012 compared to \$16,061 for December 2011.

Enforcement Revenue

Enforcement revenue decreased by 7.8% compared to the same period last year. This decrease in revenue during the holiday season is consistent with an increase of 36.5% in November and can be attributed retail promotions such as “Black Friday” and “Cyber Monday”, which attracted early shoppers. Specifically, enforcement revenue was \$51,265 for December 2012 compared to \$55,612 for December 2011. The following chart provides a consolidated revenue comparison for current and prior years:



Conclusion

Community Bylaw staff continue to strive to maintain life-quality and safety for the residents of the City of Richmond. The department encourages a culture of compliance through a coordinated team effort with City employees and community partners.

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