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## Community Safety Committee

Anderson Room, City Hall  
6911 No. 3 Road

Tuesday, March 10, 2020  
4:00 p.m.

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### MINUTES

- CS-4**      *Motion to adopt the **minutes** of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on February 11, 2020.*



### NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

April 15, 2020, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

### COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1.    **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2020**  
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01/20) (REDMS No. 6397891)

**CS-9**

**See Page CS-9 for full report**

*Designated Speaker: Carli Williams and Susan Lloyd*

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

*That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – January 2020”, dated February 12, 2020, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.*



2. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2020**

(File Ref. No. 99-Fire Rescue/2020) (REDMS No. 6406740)

CS-17

See Page CS-17 for full report

*Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson*

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

*That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – January 2020”, dated February 10, 2020, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.*



3. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

*Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson*

Items for discussion:

*None.*

4. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2020**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01/2020) (REDMS No. 6397885 v. 3)

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See Page CS-27 for full report

*Designated Speaker: Superintendent Will Ng*

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

*That the staff report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – January 2020”, dated February 10, 2020, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.*



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5.    **2019-2020 RICHMOND RCMP DETACHMENT ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN THIRD QUARTER RESULTS (OCTOBER 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019)**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01/2020) (REDMS No. 6388579 v. 4)

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*Designated Speaker: Superintendent Will Ng*

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

*That the staff report titled “2019-2020 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan Third Quarter Results (October 1 to December 31, 2019)”, dated February 3, 2020, 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:

*None.*

7.    **MANAGER’S REPORT**

ADJOURNMENT





## Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Place: Anderson Room  
Richmond City Hall

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

Also Present: Councillor Chak Au  
Councillor Michael Wolfe

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 January 14, 2020, be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

### COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. **EMERGENCY PROGRAMS QUARTERLY ACTIVITY REPORT –  
FOURTH QUARTER 2019**

(File Ref. No. 09-5126-01) (REDMS No. 6331751)

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled “Emergency Programs Quarterly Activity Report – Fourth Quarter 2019”, dated January 14, 2020, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

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**2. BUSINESS LICENCES QUARTERLY REPORT - FOURTH QUARTER 2019**

(File Ref. No. 12-8375-03) (REDMS No. 6391332)

In response to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) the business licence section conducts targeted campaigns throughout the year on illegal taxis, massage parlours and bed and breakfasts, (ii) birth tourism updates can be provided under the categories of business licences or short-term rentals in future reports, (iii) the business services associated with birth tourism often have business licences, and (iv) the City has requested cooperation with Vancouver Coastal Health to report on non-resident births.

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled "Business Licences Quarterly Report - Fourth Quarter 2019", dated January 15, 2020, from the General Manager, Community Safety be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

**3. COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – DECEMBER 2019**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 6380989)

In response to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) the staffing to handle the soil deposit proposals is sufficient, (ii) currently, there are 43 non-compliant sites and of these, 3 are receiving active enforcement, 5 are in court procedures and 35 are removing the fill, (iii) at the time of the soil application it is advised to applicants to use fill from Richmond or Delta, (iv) the bylaw positions approved in December 2019 will be filled in the near future, (v) the lower number of ticket violations is due to weather conditions, staff illness and staff vacations, (vi) bylaw violations within school zones are issued tickets and not warnings, (vii) active construction sites are visited frequently by building approvals staff and the environmental sustainability group, and (viii) tenancy laws apply to the type of tenancy and not the length of time.

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – December 2019", dated January 15, 2020, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

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4. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – DECEMBER 2019**

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 6381217)

In response to queries from Committee, Fire Chief Tim Wilkinson, Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR) noted that (i) the Positive Pressure Ventilation (PPV) can reduce damage by removing smoke and can be a strategy of attack in fire-fighting measures, (ii) smoke alarms in apartment buildings tend to be more sensitive due to the nature of the building and the number of inhabitants, and (iii) if apprehended, RFR uses a Juvenile Firesetters program to work with the youth, similar to restorative justice.

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – December 2019”, dated January 8, 2020, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

5. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

**(i) Erase Bullying**

Fire Chief Wilkinson invited Council to visit the Fire Hall on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 to support anti-bullying.

**(ii) Eating Together 2020**

Fire Chief Wilkinson invited Council to Eating Together on Sunday, February 23, 2020 organized through the Touchstone Family Association.

**(iii) Richmond Fire-Rescue Hiring**

Fire Chief Wilkinson noted that the next phase of increased staffing will start March 2020 and 12 fire-fighters will begin training. The next hiring process will begin spring 2021 and the engine company will go into service summer 2021. During the recruitment process, RFR charges for certain components of testing to ensure that applicants are well suited to the role.

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**6. RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – DECEMBER 2019**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6368044 v. 4)

Superintendent Will Ng, Richmond RCMP, spoke to the staff report and highlighted statistics from property crime, auto theft and assaults.

In response to queries from Committee, Superintendent Ng noted that (i) traffic road blocks are conducted nightly by regular RCMP Members and are very effective in removing impaired drivers and prohibited drivers from the road and also aids in street checks of gangsters from across the region, (ii) the Minister of Public Safety has declared a Provincial emergency and can invoke *Municipal Police Unit Agreement* Section 8.1 to second up to 10 per cent of the Members to support the Provincial government and Richmond RCMP will comply with the agreement, and (iii) the Crime Prevention newsletter is posted throughout the city at community centres and police offices.

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – December 2019”, dated January 9, 2020, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

**7. RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

**(i) Cultural Outreach**

RCMP attended the Holocaust Memorial on January 22, 2020 as well as the Interfaith Forum on February 6, 2020 was well received.

**(ii) Pedestrian Crosswalk**

RCMP has engaged with Transportation to provide signs at the pedestrian crosswalk located on Granville Street at the Minoru Centre of Active Living to indicate where the stop line is for the crosswalk.

**(iii) Coronavirus Update**

There have been two repatriation flights from Wuhan, China arriving at YVR with no medical emergencies, which have continued to Trenton, Ontario for the 14 day quarantine. All officers have received infectious disease and pandemic training and have personal protection equipment in the event any member is required to provide support to a coronavirus patient.

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8. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded  
*That the meeting adjourn (4:35 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the  
Minutes of the meeting of the Community  
Safety Committee of the Council of the  
City of Richmond held on Tuesday,  
February 11, 2020.

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Councillor Bill McNulty  
Chair

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Stephanie Walrond  
Legislative Services Coordinator





# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

**To:** Community Safety Committee  
**From:** Cecilia Achiam  
General Manager, Community Safety

**Date:** February 12, 2020  
**File:** 12-8060-01/20-Vol01

**Re:** Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – January 2020

### Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – January 2020”, dated February 12, 2020, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

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

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Parks Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Engineering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW</b>	<b>INITIALS:</b> 
<b>APPROVED BY CAO</b> 	

## Staff Report

### Origin

This monthly report for the Community Bylaws department provides information and statistics for enforcing bylaws related to Grease, Soils, Property Use, Short-Term Rentals, Pay Parking, Parking Enforcement, Animal Control and Dog Licencing and as well as education and public awareness initiatives.

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.*

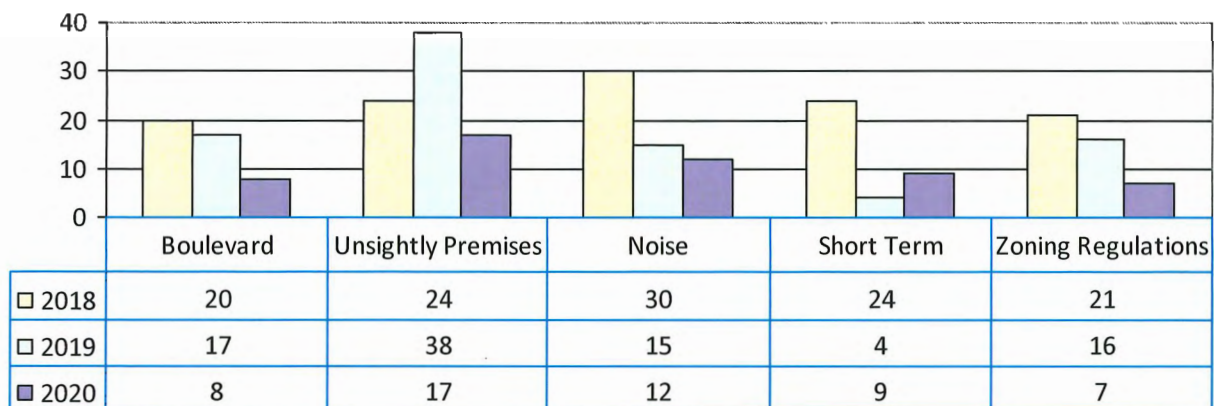
*1.1 Enhance safety services and strategies to meet community needs.*

### Analysis

#### 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.

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

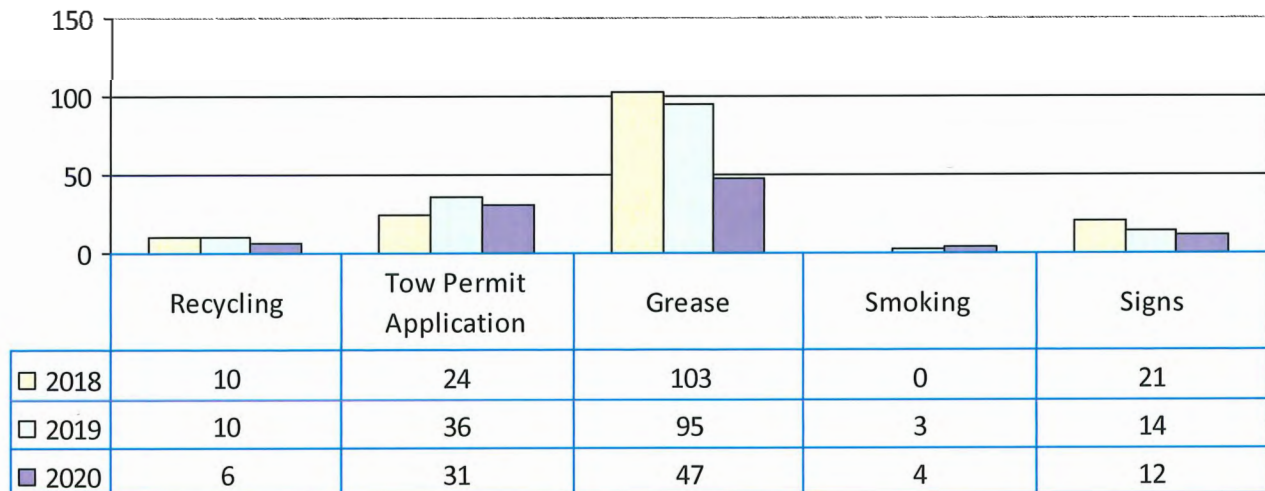


Of note in January, the Property Use group dealt with a high number of snow and ice calls, 34 in total, due to weather conditions. In most cases, the calls were complaints about snow clearing on sidewalks in residential and commercial areas. While most sidewalks were cleared shortly after the calls were received, bylaw enforcement staff did issue six tickets to property owners who had not cleared the snow.

### Grease

The Grease Officer remains focused on education and communication. During the month of January, the Grease Officer undertook 47 grease-trap inspections, which are reflected in the cumulative total shown in Figure 2. There were no violation notices issued for contraventions of w

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



### Soils

The Soil Bylaw Officer responds to complaints and issues of non-compliance with the Soil Removal & Fill Deposit Regulation Bylaw No. 8094 (the Soil Bylaw) as well as monitoring approved sites. During the month of January, the Soil Bylaw Officer conducted 65 site inspections and issued two violation notices for non-compliance with the Watercourse Protection Bylaw No. 8441.

The Soil Bylaw Officer currently manages 41 sites that are considered non-compliant with eight of these sites being under active enforcement such as stop work orders, legal action or tickets. The other non-compliant sites are working through a removal and/or remediation plan in order to obtain compliance.

In addition to the work to monitor non-compliant sites, there are also nine sites that have submitted soil deposit applications for review by City staff. Once these applications are complete, they will be reviewed by the Food Security and Agricultural Advisory Committee for comment before being taken forward for consideration by City Council.

### Dog Licencing and Patrols

The total number of dogs licenced in January is 3,818. This figure represents 114 new dog licence applications and 3,704 renewal applications of current licences that were processed in the month of January.

Regional Animal Protection Society (RAPS) Officers conduct patrols of the dikes, parks and school grounds within the City. The following locations were patrolled during the month of January resulting in no bylaw violation notices being issued under the Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932 or the Dog Licencing Bylaw No. 7138.

- Hamilton Community Centre
- Manoah Steves Park
- Garry Point
- Miller Neighbourhood Park
- McDonald Beach
- Odlin Neighbourhood Park
- Steveston Village
- Terra Nova Park
- Iona Beach
- McLean Park
- Odlin Neighbourhood Park
- Railway Avenue Trail
- Walter Lee Elementary
- Richmond Nature Park
- Spul'u'kwuks Elementary
- Talmey Neighbourhood Park

### Parking

For the month of January, Parking Officers proactively patrolled for stopping and parking infractions while continuing to monitor assigned files. Parking Officers received 249 Calls for Service for parking related offences. Management of files by Parking Officers is priority-based, with all safety and obstruction requests receiving top priority. Parking Officers continue to liaise with the Principal of General Currie Elementary regarding illegal parking such as blocking driveways and stopping where restricted by signage during pickup and drop off hours of students.

Figure 3 reflects the 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

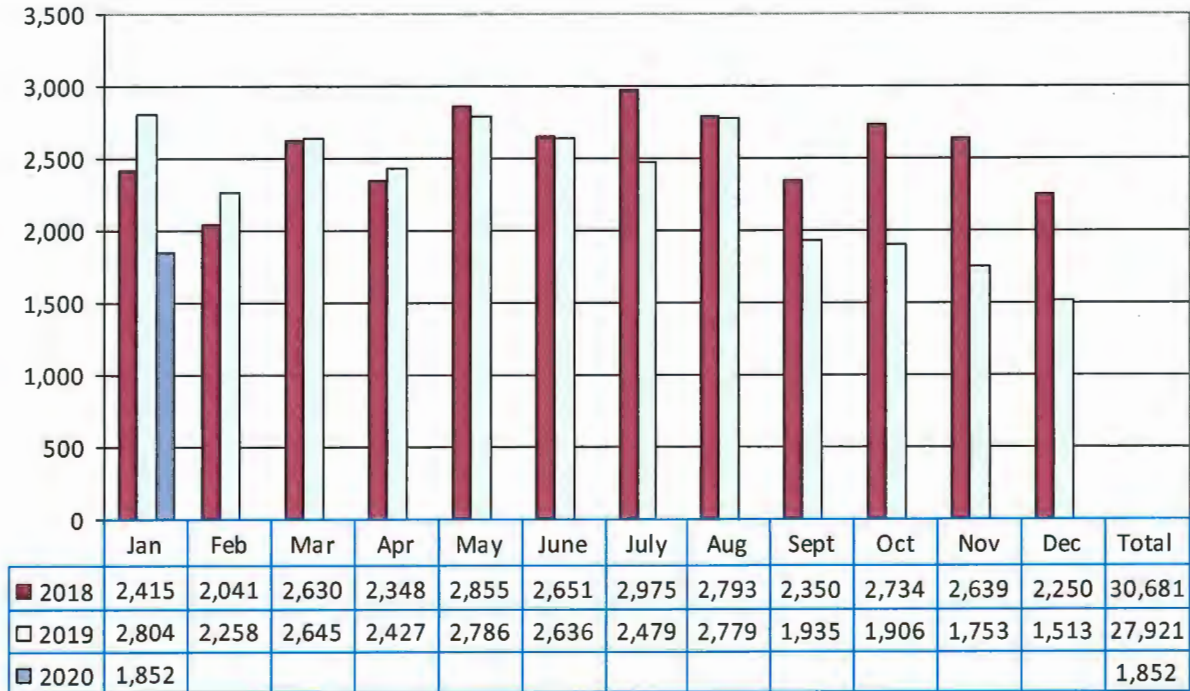
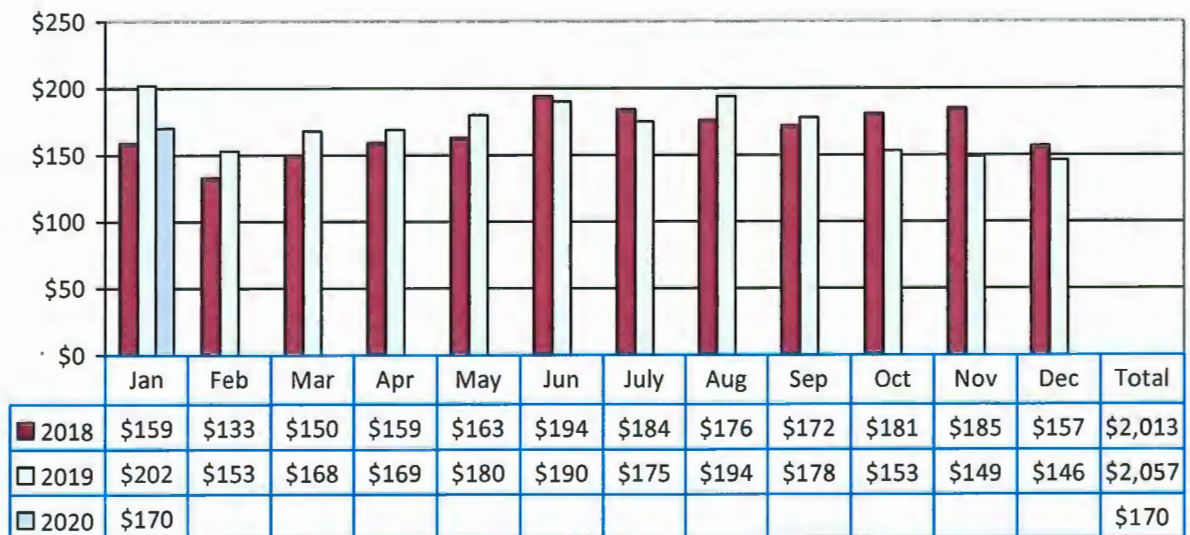


Figure 4: Consolidated Parking Program Revenue Comparison (000's)





All Enforcement Activity

While parking violations make up the majority of tickets issued by Bylaw Enforcement Officers, there are a number of other categories which are of interest to the public. Table 1 exhibits the number of parking violations issued along with additional categories of interest to the public.

Table 1: Community Bylaw Violations

Ticket Issuance (BVN's & MTI's)	January	YTD
Short-Term Rental Offences	5	5
Soil Removal & Fill Deposit Offences	0	0
Watercourse Protection Offences	4	4
Grease Trap Offences	0	0
Parking & Stopping Offences	1,852	1,852
Animal Control Offences	9	9
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,876</b>	<b>1,876</b>

Bylaw Adjudication

The results of the adjudication session held on February 20, 2020, will be presented in the February activity report.

Revenue and Expenses

The Community Bylaws department derives much of its revenue from parking meters, parking permits and parking violations. The remainder of revenue generated is from dog licences, false alarm disturbances, tow permits and other permits and bylaw fines. Table 2 outlines individual revenue types while Table 3 highlights revenue and expenses for the three main programs within Community Bylaws.

It is difficult to identify trends early in the year but the figures in Tables 2 and 3 indicate that Community Bylaws has started the year on track to meet overall budget targets. While revenue in both Parking and Property Use is lower than budgeted, this is offset by lower expenses in both areas.

Table 2: Department Revenue by Source

Program Revenue	Budget Jan 2020	Actual Jan 2020
Contract Revenue <sup>1</sup>	5,000	5,000
Filming Revenue	0	350
False Alarm	4,533	1,830
Dog Licences	20,292	48,717
Towing Permits	1,333	3,706
Other Permits <sup>2</sup>	3,167	9,794
Other Bylaw Fines <sup>3</sup>	7,225	3,450
Parking Revenue <sup>4</sup>	170,233	169,590
Receivable Income <sup>5</sup>	8,333	0
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>220,116</b>	<b>242,437</b>

Table 3: Revenue and Expenses by Program in Community Bylaws

Community Bylaws by Program		YTD Budget Jan 2020	YTD Actual Jan 2020
<b>Parking</b>	Revenue	183,567	174,940
	Expenses	130,917	98,238
	<b>Net Revenue (Expense)</b>	<b>52,650</b>	<b>76,702</b>
<b>Animal Control</b>	Revenue	21,142	51,217
	Expenses	23,292	16,417
	<b>Net Revenue (Expense)</b>	<b>(2,150)</b>	<b>34,800</b>
<b>Property Use</b>	Revenue	15,408	16,280
	Expenses	115,291	56,869
	<b>Net Revenue (Expense)</b>	<b>(99,883)</b>	<b>(40,589)</b>
<b>Total Net Revenue (Expense)</b>		<b>(49,383)</b>	<b>70,913</b>

### Financial Impact

None.

<sup>1</sup> City Towing Contract with Rusty's Towing

<sup>2</sup> Newspaper box and soil permit applications

<sup>3</sup> Property Use and Animal control violations

<sup>4</sup> Parking Revenue consists of Parking Meters, Monthly Parking Permits, and Parking Enforcement

<sup>5</sup> Receivable Income consists of Night Market Recoveries

## Conclusion

Community Bylaws administers a wide range of bylaws related to property use, parking, animal control, soil and grease. This report provides a summary of monthly enforcement activity, including revenue and expenses. Of note in January, bylaw officers responded to complaints about snow and ice clearing and issued six tickets to property owners who did not clear sidewalks.



Carli Williams  
Manager, Business Licencing and Bylaws  
(604-276-4136)



Susan Lloyd  
Program Manager, Administration, Parking  
Enforcement and Animal Control  
(604-247-4467)





# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

**To:** Community Safety Committee

**Date:** February 10, 2020

**From:** Tim Wilkinson  
Fire Chief

**File:** 99-Fire Rescue/2020-  
Vol 01

**Re:** Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – January 2020

### Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – January 2020”, dated February 10, 2020, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.

Tim Wilkinson  
Fire Chief  
(604-303-2701)

Att. 1

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER	
SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS: 
APPROVED BY CAO	

## Staff Report

### Origin

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

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### Analysis

#### Emergency Response

Richmond Fire-Rescue'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 January 2020 there were a total of 840 incidents, representing a 12 per cent increase in calls from January 2019 (Attachment 1).

The average time on scene for RFR crews was 29 minutes. This is an increase over the 26 minutes in 2019, which is due to the nature and severity of each call. During January 2020, Richmond Fire-Rescue crews experienced impacts on some calls for service due to the significant snow fall.

In January 2020 there were 28 reportable fires to the Office of the Fire Commissioner, representing a 22 per cent increase from January 2019. The average figure for fires reported in January over the last five years is 25. RFR continues to monitor fire activities to identify and create programs to respond to emerging trends.

Richmond Fire-Rescue'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 significantly once the fire leaves the room of origin. Fire damage and property losses during January 2020 are estimated at \$490,655. This total includes \$463,150 for building/asset loss and \$27,505 for content loss. The total building/asset and content value at risk was estimated to be \$2,821,350 and the total value preserved from damage was \$2,330,695. These numbers translate to 83 per cent of value protected (Table 1); this is lower than the 99 per cent protected value observed in 2019.

<b>Incident Type Breakdown</b>	<b>Call Volume</b>	<b>Estimated Building/Asset Value (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Building/Asset Loss (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Content Value (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Content Loss (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Total Value Preserved (\$)</b>
Residential: Single family	3	931,500	450,500	30,000	25,000	486,000
Multi family	6	1,618,700	2,200	65,000	2,130	1,679,370
Commercial/Industrial	3	-	-	25,000	25	24,975
Outdoor	12	65,150	1,450	2,000	350	65,350
Vehicle/Vessel	4	84,000	9,000	-	-	75,000
<b>Totals*</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>2,699,350</b>	<b>463,150</b>	<b>122,000</b>	<b>27,505</b>	<b>2,330,695</b>

\* 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 January 2020 incidents:

- **January 10 – Recreational vehicle fire on Charles Street.** Crews responded to reports of a motorhome in flames close to the Bridgeport Skytrain station. Once on scene, crews quickly staged and extinguished the fire. A search of the motorhome was carried out and no one was found inside the vehicle. There were no injuries reported. A Fire Investigator attended the scene.
- **January 14 – Residential fire on Pacemore Avenue.** Crews arrived on scene to a house on fire with multiple occupants. BC Emergency Health Services, RCMP, Fortis Gas and BC Hydro also attended the scene. This fire was quickly determined to be a defensive fire due to a hoarding issue which made entering the house very unsafe and difficult for crews. The fire had extended into the crawlspace and the attic area. Once crews extinguished the fire, the scene was demobilized and crews were rotated back to quarters for rehabilitation and went back into regular service. The site was fenced off overnight for safety and the RCMP secured the scene to investigate. Three occupants were removed from the house by fire crews who were checked out by BC Ambulance Services and were found to have no injuries. The RCMP took one occupant into custody. One firefighter, bitten by a dog residing on the property, was treated and released back to the scene. A Fire Investigator attended the scene to determine the cause and origin of the fire.
- **January 21 – Boat fire on Bayview Street.** Crews were dispatched to a report of a boat fire. On arrival, crews found a 36 foot long fishing vessel with a fire in the galley area. Crews attacked the fire with a Dry Sprinkler Powder Aerosol device and successfully extinguished the fire. The extent of the fire was contained to the galley area and did not extend to any other boats or the nearby wharf. The boat remained intact and floating and there was no impact to the environment. The joint rescue coordination centre in Victoria dispatched the RCMP support boat, the Marine Rescue Search and Rescue unit. The Steveston Harbour Authority was also on-scene with their support craft. The Richmond RCMP attended and the vessel owner remained on scene. There were no injuries reported and two Steveston Fire Hall crews remained on scene to assist the Fire Investigator.
- **January 25 – Vehicle fire on Alderbridge Way.** On arrival crews found a vehicle fully engulfed in flames. Crews quickly extinguished the vehicle fire using 829 gallons of water and eight gallons of foam, which contained the fire to the car. The driver had exited the vehicle and had no injuries. There were no other occupants in the vehicle. The RCMP attended the scene and the vehicle was towed away.

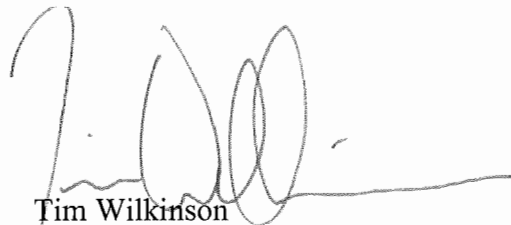
### **Financial Impact**

None.

## **Conclusion**

During January 2020, Richmond Fire-Rescue crews experienced impacts on some calls for service due to the significant snow fall. RFR crews worked diligently to overcome these weather challenges and reduce the negative impacts on services to the community.

RFR continues to monitor activities to identify and create programs to respond to emerging trends.

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Tim Wilkinson  
Fire Chief  
(604-303-2701)

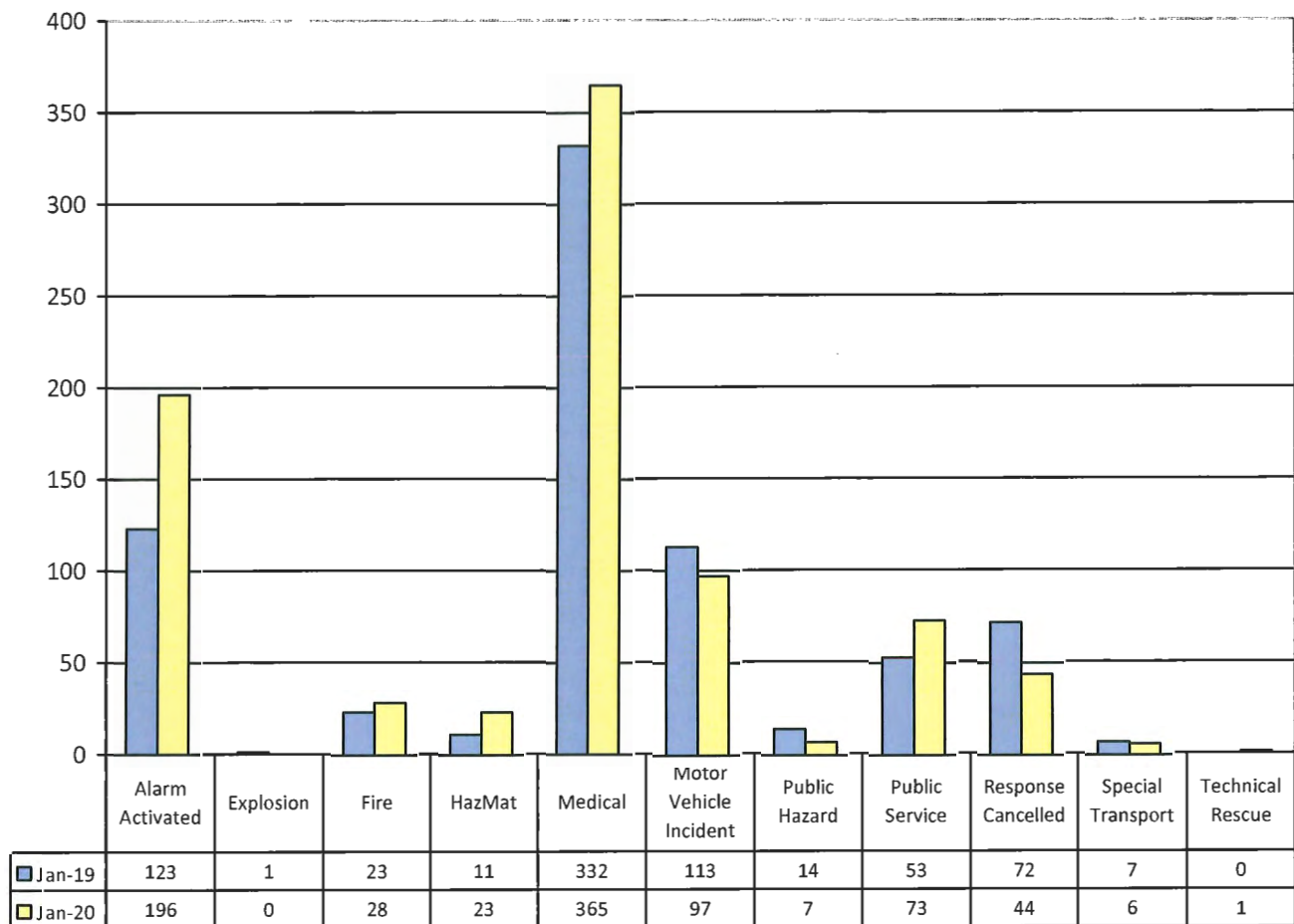
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Att. 1: Suppression Activity, including location of January's Fire, Medical and MVIs

### Calls for Service Volumes

The following chart provides a month to month comparison regarding incidents occurring in January 2020 and 2019. In January 2020, there were a total of 840 incidents, compared to 749 in January 2019. This represents an increase of 12 per cent.

**Table 2: January 2019 & 2020 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

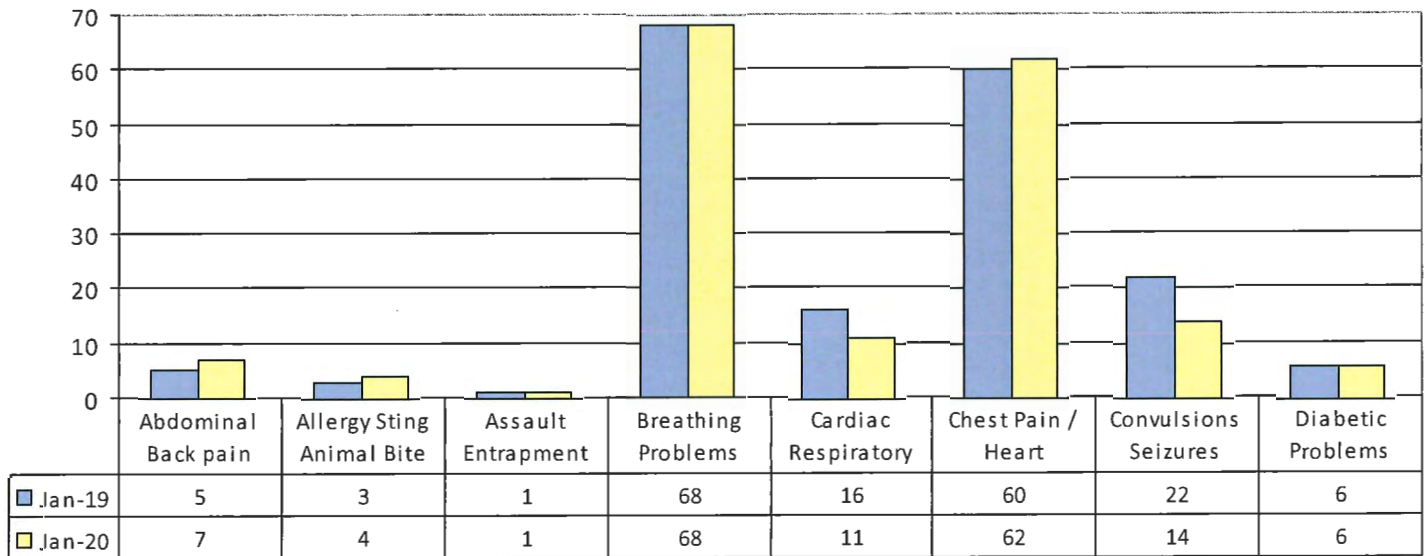
**Public Hazard** includes: aircraft emergency, bomb removal standby, object removal, or power lines down

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

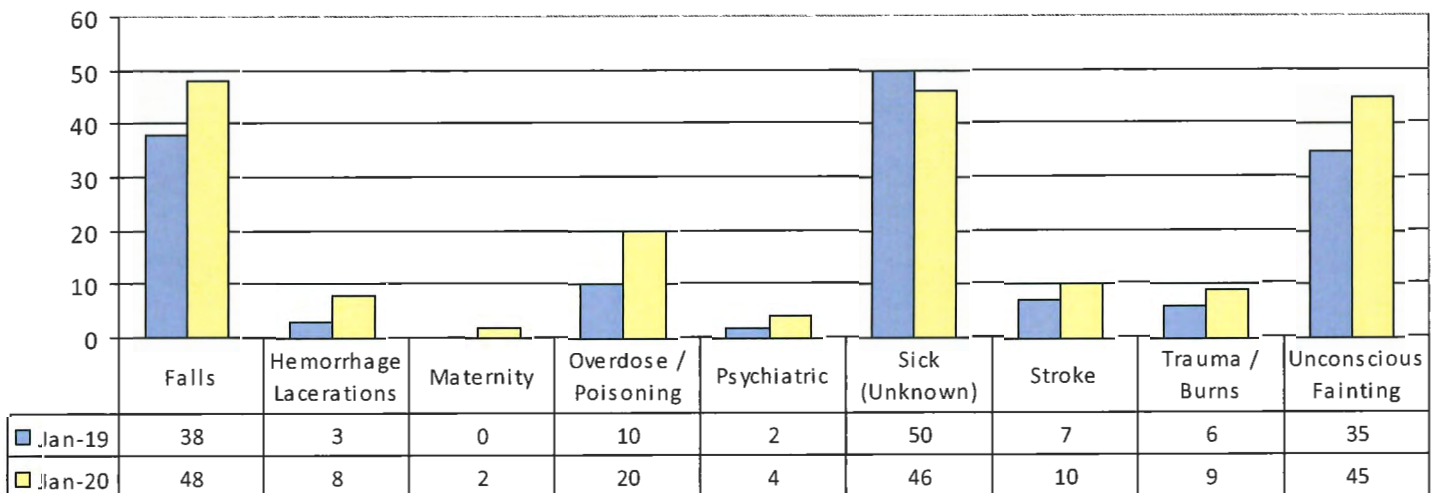
### First Responder Totals

Medical first responder incidents comprised 43 per cent of the total emergency responses for RFR during the month of January 2020. A detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for January 2019 and 2020 is set out in the following table by sub-type. There were a total of 365 medical incidents in January 2020 compared to 332 in January 2019, an increase of 10 per cent.

**Table 3a: January 2019 & 2020 Medical Calls by Type**



**Table 3b: January 2019 & 2020 Medical Calls by Type**



## Fire Investigations

The fire investigation statistics for January 2020 are listed below:

<b>Table 4: Total Fire Investigation Statistics – January 2020</b>			
	<b>Suspicious</b>	<b>Accidental</b>	<b>Undetermined</b>
Residential - Single-family	-	2	1
Residential - Multi-family	-	6	-
Commercial/Industrial	-	2	1
Outdoor	5	6	1
Vehicle	-	1	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>

Richmond Fire-Rescue investigators report all suspicious fires to the RCMP, while working alongside RCMP staff to address potential risks to the community.

## Hazardous Materials

<b>Table 5: HazMat Calls By Type – January 2020</b>	
	<b>Details</b>
Corrosive	1
Flammable / Combustible Liquids	2
Fuel Spill, Standby	1
Natural Gas / Propane Leaks (small)	15
Vapour Leak	1
Unclassified	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23</b>



Figure 1: Location of reportable fires attended in January 2020 (total 28)





**Figure 2: Location of medical calls in January 2020 (total 365)**

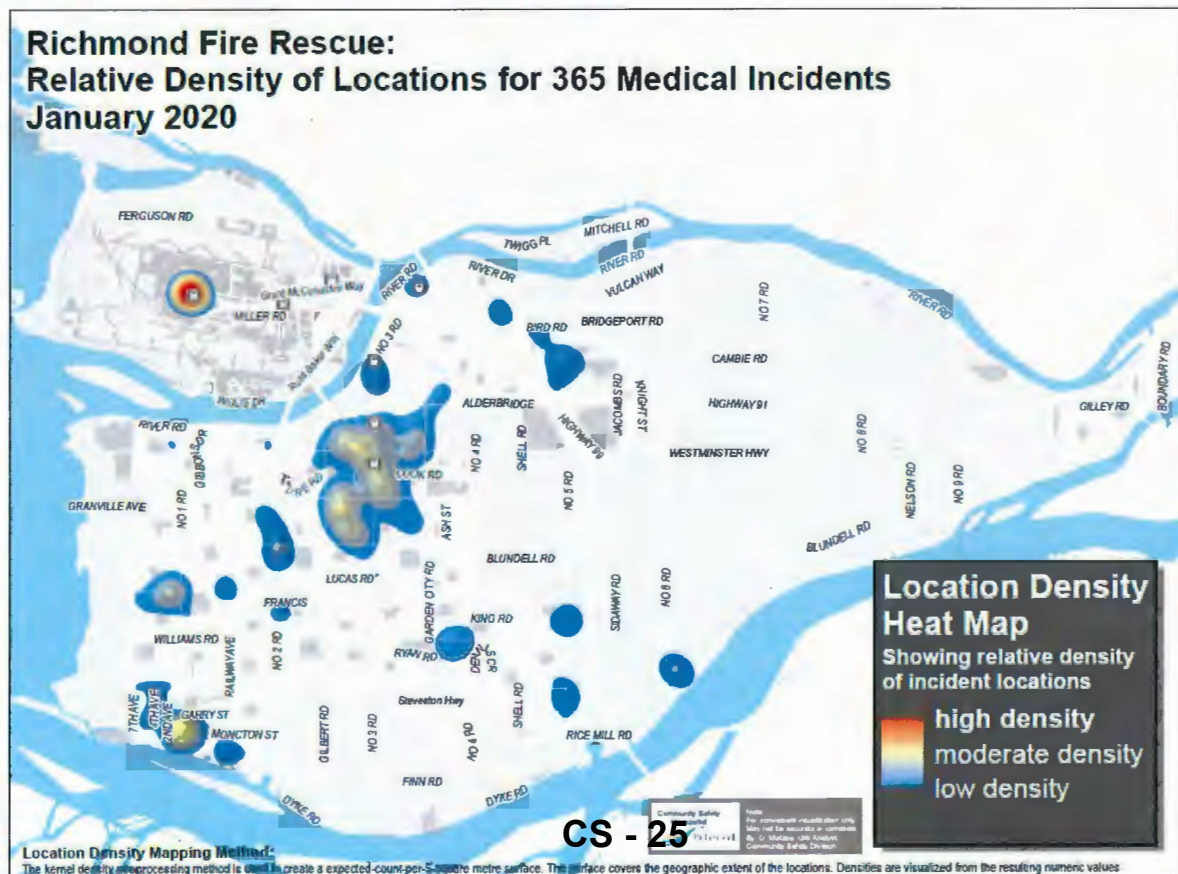
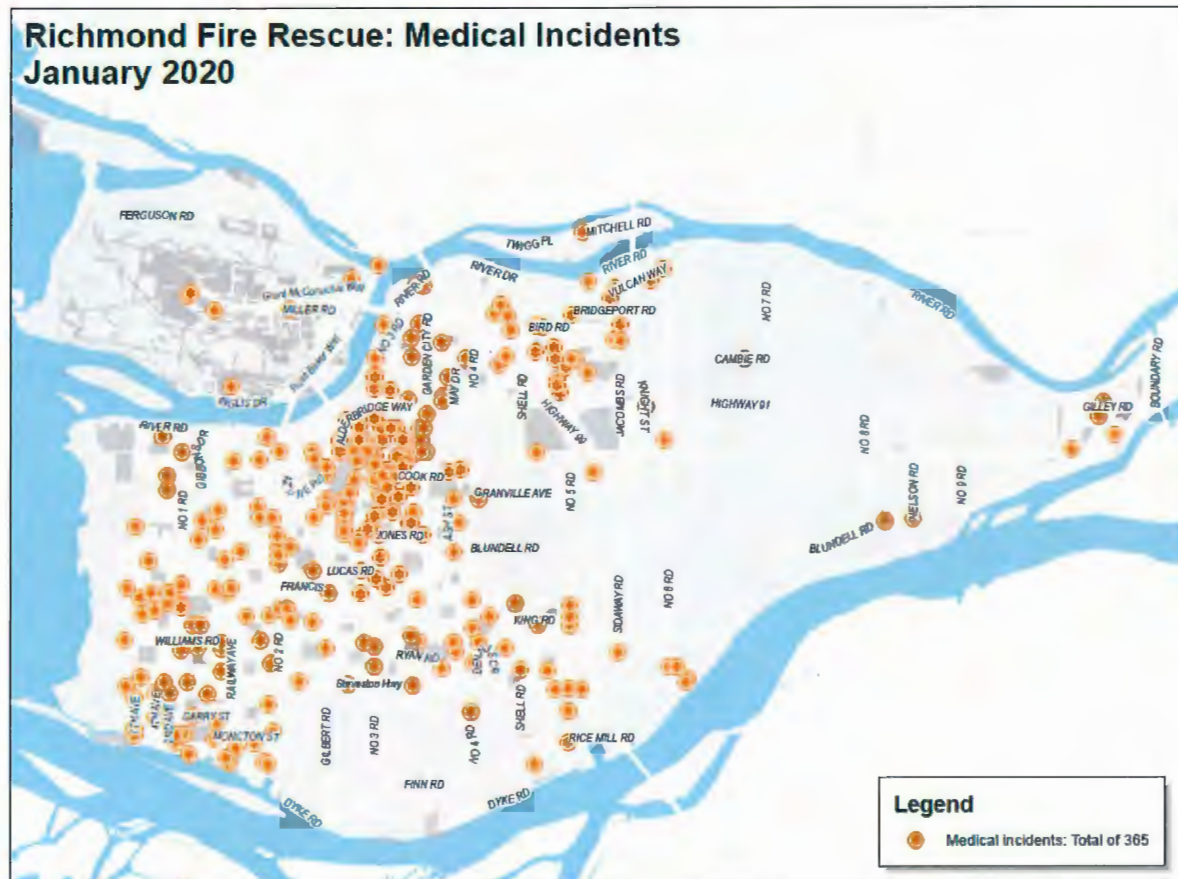
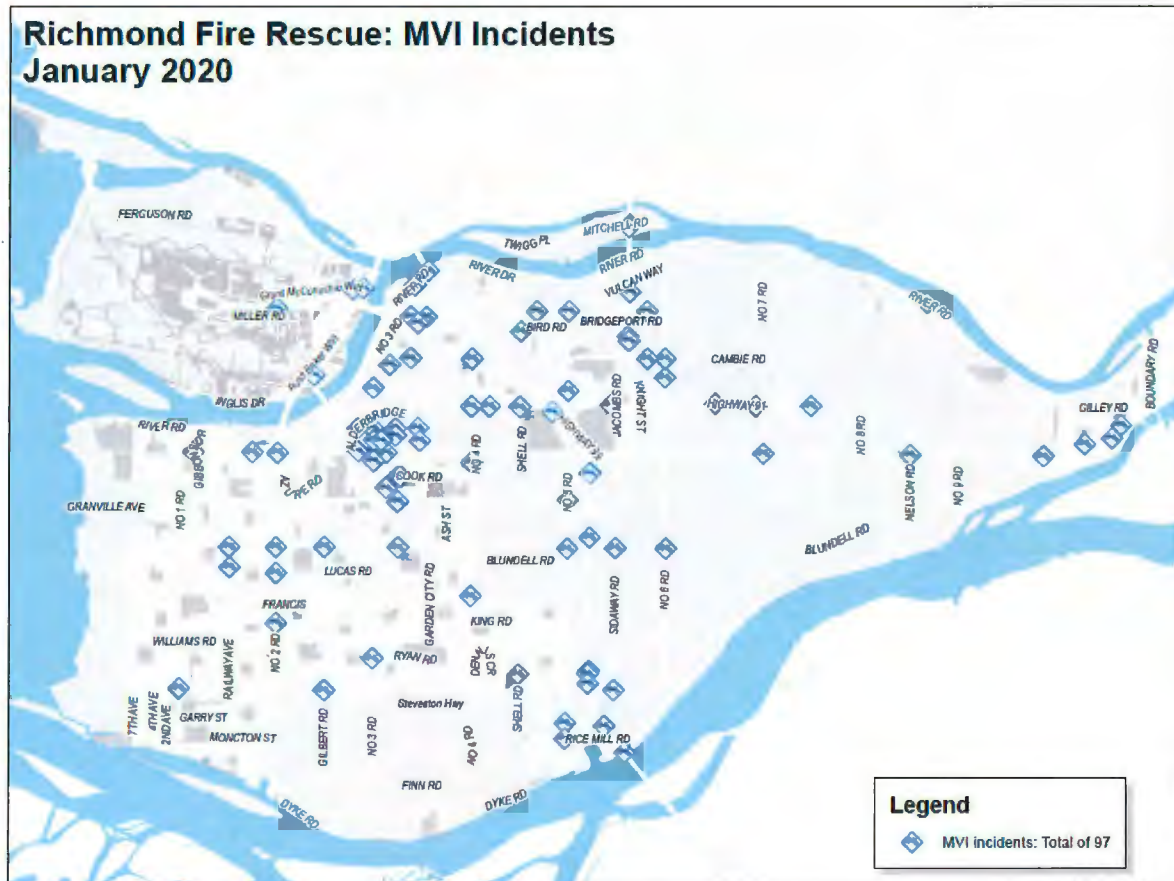
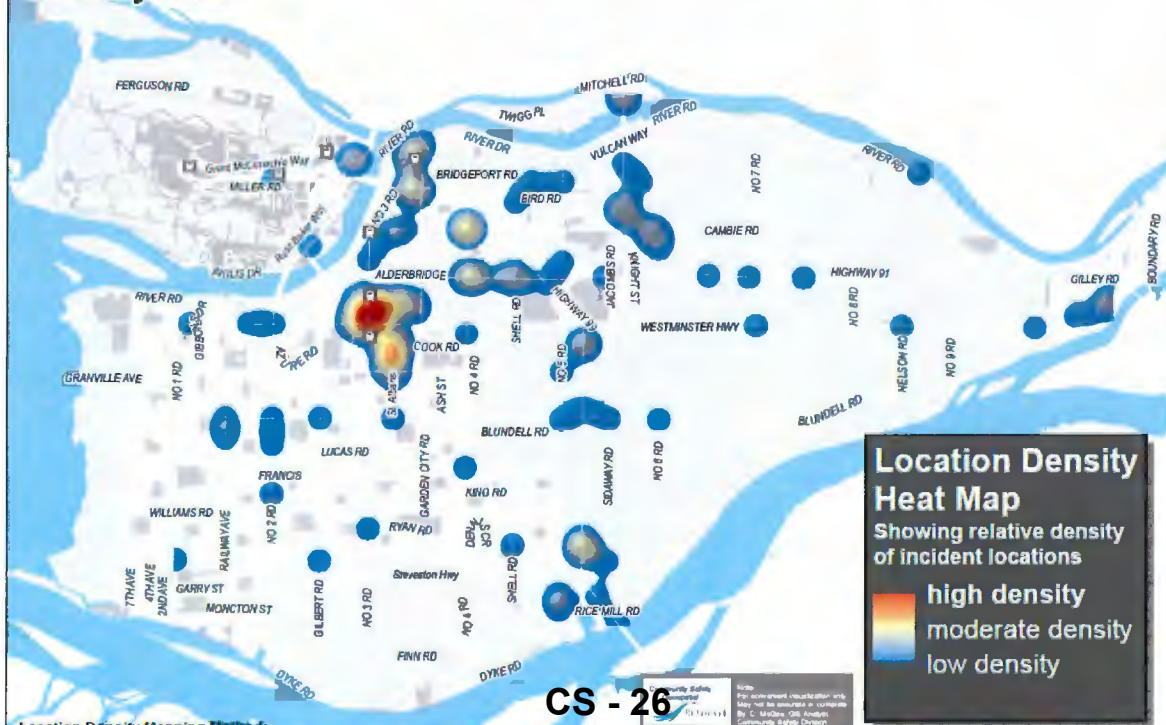


Figure 3: Location of MVI calls in January 2020 (total 97)



### Richmond Fire Rescue: Relative Density of Locations for 97 MVI Incidents January 2020



**Location Density Mapping Method:**

The kernel density preprocessing method is used to create an expected count per 5 square metre surface. This surface covers the geographic extent of the locations. Densities are visualized from the resulting numeric values.



# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

**To:** Community Safety Committee

**Date:** February 10, 2020

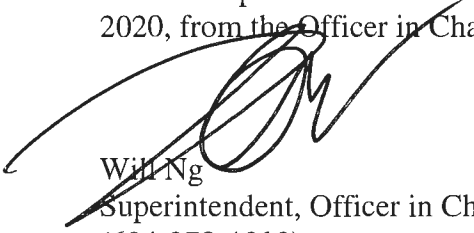
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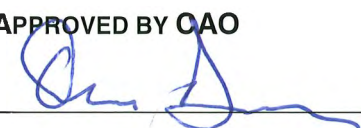
**Re:** RCMP Monthly Activity Report – January 2020

### Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – January 2020”, dated February 10, 2020, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

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

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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:

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

### Analysis

#### Activities and Noteworthy Files

##### *Arrest*

On January 3, 2020, Richmond RCMP officers in the Property Crime Unit and Economic Crime Unit arrested a suspect who had been wanted for fraud-related offences since July 2019. The suspect was located and arrested in Oliver, BC and has been charged with over 26 offences spanning multiple jurisdictions across the province; 15 of those charges originated in Richmond.

##### *Pedestrian Fatality*

On January 14, 2020, Richmond RCMP officers responded to the area of Cooney Road and Ackroyd Road for a report of a pedestrian struck by a vehicle. The pedestrian, a 72-year-old Richmond man, was transported to hospital but later succumbed to his injuries. The driver remained at the scene of the collision and has been cooperative with police. The Richmond RCMP Criminal Collision Investigation Team is investigating.

##### *Fraud Awareness*

On January 16, 2020, the Richmond RCMP issued a media release alerting the public of a "fake boss" fraud which targets individuals who are searching for work. The scam involves the recruitment of an employee, without a face-to-face interview, who unknowingly engages in fraudulent currency transactions on behalf of the employer.



On January 24, 2020, the Richmond RCMP issued a media release reminding the public to be aware of telephone frauds where individuals pose as government officials, including police officers. The Richmond RCMP stated that no government agency will call and demand payment in the form of gift cards or Bitcoin.

### *Stabbing*

On January 23, 2020, Richmond RCMP officers responded to a residence in the 3500 block of Francis Road for a report of a stabbing. Upon arrival, police located a 34-year-old male suffering from stab wounds. He was transported to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Police believe the injuries resulted from an altercation between two individuals who are known to each other. The incident is under investigation.

### Analysis of Police Statistics

#### *Arson*

In January 2020, there were two reported incidents of arson, which is up one incident from the previous month and down one incident from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of arsons this month is within the five-year average range.

#### *Assault Serious (Assault with a Weapon)*

There were 11 assault serious events in January 2020, which represents a 57 per cent increase from December 2019 and a 21 per cent decrease from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of serious assaults this month is within the five-year average range.

#### *Auto Theft*

There were 35 auto theft incidents this month, which represents a 25 per cent decrease from the previous month and a six per cent increase from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of auto thefts this month is slightly above the five-year average range.

#### *Drugs*

In January 2020, there were 189 drug files, which represents a 59 per cent increase from the previous month. The number of drug incidents this month is approximately four times the number recorded in January 2019 and is significantly above the five-year average range. No patterns or trends have been identified.

In the last four months, drug incidents have been significantly outside of the expected range as a result of the processing of a backlog of drug exhibits, originating as Canada Customs seizures at the Vancouver International Airport (YVR). Approximately 90 per cent of the files this month can be attributed to processing this backlog.

*Mental Health*

There were 165 mental health incidents in January 2020, which is down 14 per cent from December 2019 and down 13 per cent from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. Mental health-related incidents remain slightly above the five-year average range.

There were 75 police apprehensions this month and hospital wait times averaged 85 minutes, indicating that both numbers have remained steady for the last six months.

*Residential Break and Enter*

There were 47 break and enters to residences in January 2020, which represents a seven per cent increase from the previous month and a 55 per cent decrease from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of residential break and enters this month is significantly below the five-year average range.

*Commercial Break and Enter*

In January 2020, there were 31 break and enters to businesses, which represents a nine per cent decrease from December 2019 and a 30 per cent decrease from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of commercial break and enters this month is below the five-year average range.

*Robbery*

There were three robbery incidents in January 2020, which represents a 50 per cent decrease from the previous month and a 70 per cent decrease from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of robberies this month is below the five-year average range.

*Sexual Offences*

There were 17 sexual offence files in January 2020, which represents a 42 per cent increase from the previous month and a 35 per cent decrease from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of sex offences this month is within the five-year average range.

*Shoplifting*

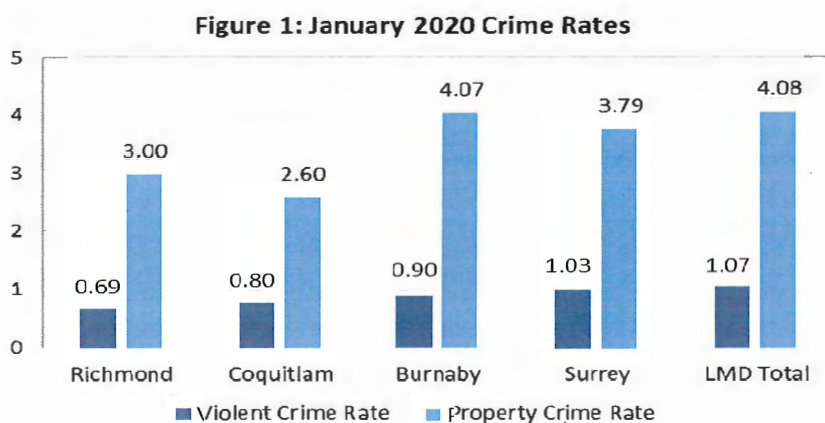
There were 63 shoplifting thefts in January 2020, which represents a 32 per cent decrease from the previous month and a 19 per cent decrease from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. Reported shoplifting thefts in January 2020 were within the five-year average range.

*Theft from Automobile*

There were 190 theft from automobile incidents in January 2020, which represents a five per cent decrease from the previous month and a four per cent increase from January 2019. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of thefts from automobiles this month is within the five-year average range.

### Crime Trends Across Jurisdictions

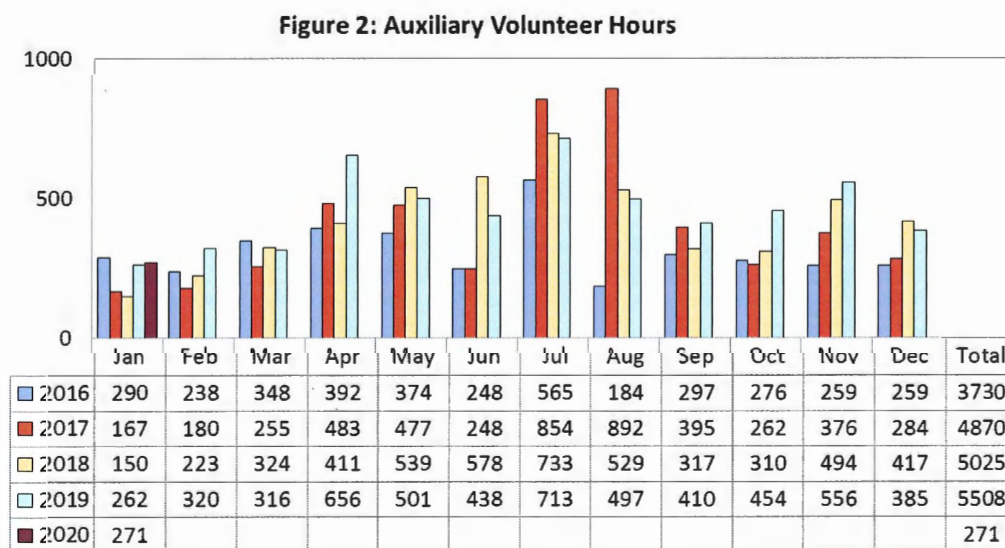
Data on crime rates is presented below (Figure 1).<sup>1</sup> Out of the four largest municipalities policed by the RCMP in the Lower Mainland District (LMD), Richmond had the lowest violent crime rate as well as the second lowest property crime rate in January 2020. Richmond's January 2020 violent crime rate decreased eight per cent from January 2019, while the property crime rate decreased 14 per cent.



### Auxiliary Program

In January 2020, the Richmond RCMP Detachment (the Detachment) had a complement of 30 Auxiliaries.<sup>2</sup> Auxiliaries provided a total of 271 volunteer hours during the month of January.

Figure 2 compares the monthly hours of service provided from 2016 to 2020.



<sup>1</sup> Crime rate is calculated per 1,000 people (using 2019 population projections).

<sup>2</sup> 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 January, Auxiliaries participated in:

- Bait Car
- Block Watch
- Crime Watch
- Home Security Checks
- Program Assessments
- School Sports Events

### Block Watch

At the end of January 2020, the Block Watch program had 341 groups totaling 7,330 participants. Currently, the program includes 456 captains and co-captains.

### Community Police Station Programs

Community police stations continue to enhance the Detachment's policing services by providing an array of crime prevention resources and community safety initiatives. City staff and volunteers pursue safety initiatives to enhance crime prevention program awareness, community engagement and police accessibility. These initiatives help to reduce anxiety and fear related to crime. The program activities vary from month to month reflective of weather conditions, seasonal initiatives and the availability of volunteers. Due to inclement weather, including significant snowfall, a number of volunteer deployments were cancelled.

During the month of January volunteer highlights included:

- The deployment of 37 volunteer foot/van patrols totalling 268 hours and one bike patrol, totalling 12 hours.
- 40 Fail to Stop deployments took place, which resulted in 1,050 warning letters.
- Speed Watch was conducted on 1,076 vehicles at various locations.
- January 23 – Volunteers and RCMP members participated in a School Sports event at McNeely Elementary School.
- January 28 and 29 – New volunteers received introductory training.



*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**

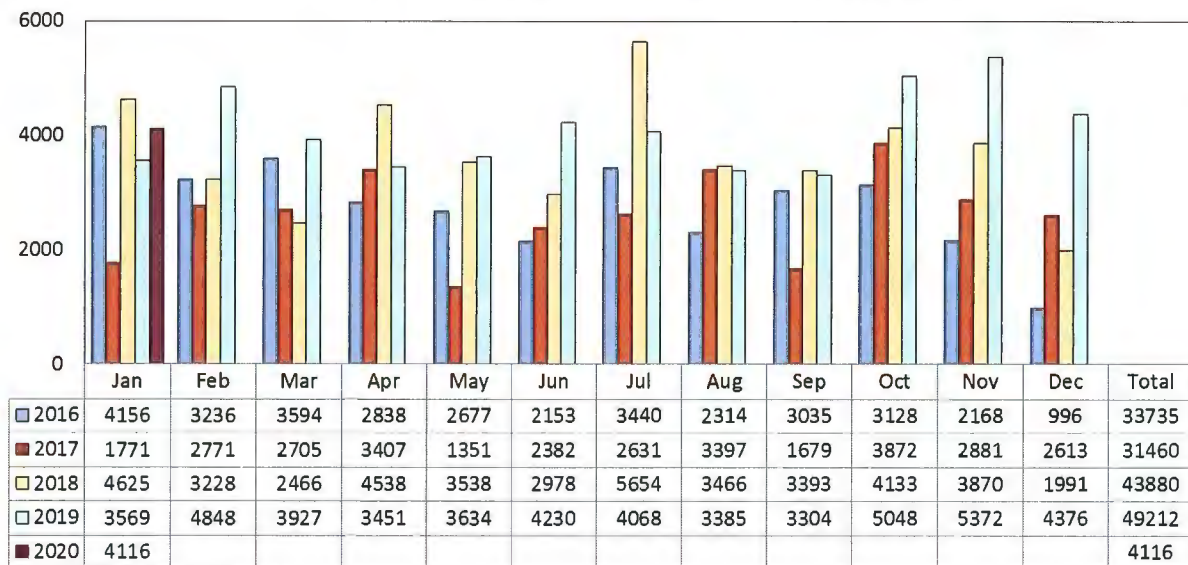
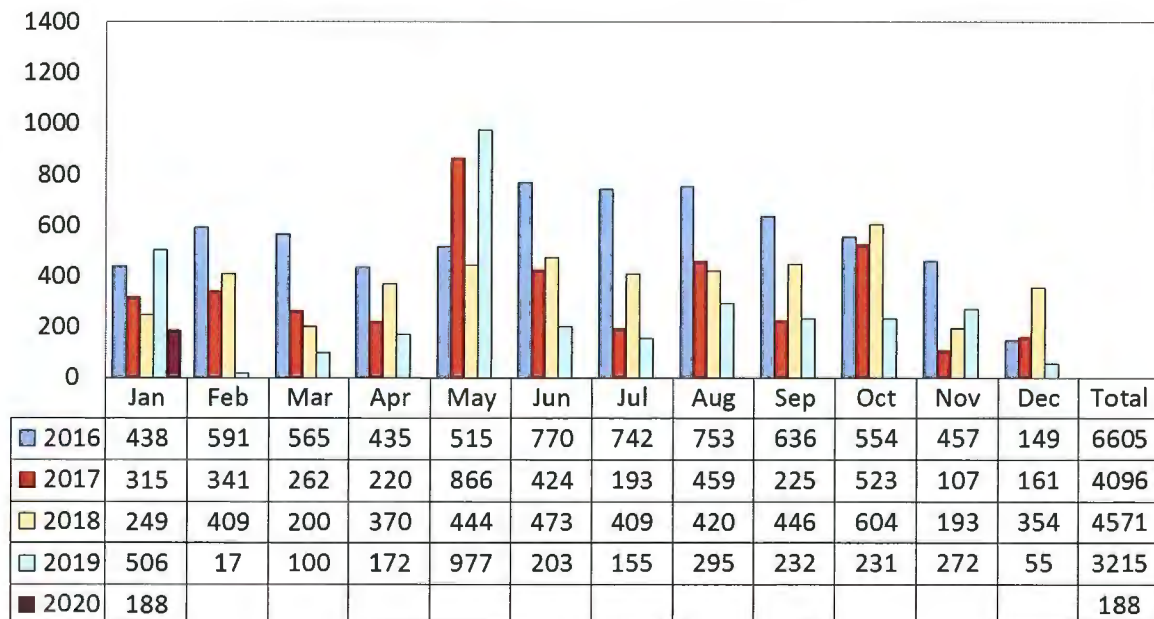
*Speed Watch*

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 January, the Crime Prevention Unit participated in the following events/activities:

- Break and Enter Outreach
- Lock Out Auto Crime
- Mosque Patrols
- Pedestrian Safety Talk
- School Sports Events
- 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 January 2020 data to both November 2019 and December 2019.

Violation Tickets were issued for the following infractions:

Table 1: Violation Tickets Issued

<b>Infraction</b>	<b>November 2019</b>	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>January 2020</b>
Distracted Driving	104	41	22
Driver License	280	235	263
Impaired	45	43	35
Intersection Offences	88	109	79
Moving Violations <sup>3</sup>	196	149	118
Speeding	387	357	225
Seatbelts	5	10	1
Vehicle Related <sup>4</sup>	61	76	77
Other <sup>5</sup>	4	13	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,170</b>	<b>1,033</b>	<b>824</b>

### Victim Services

In January 2020, Richmond RCMP Victim Services met with 64 new clients and attended eight crime/trauma scenes after hours. The unit currently maintains an active caseload of 182 ongoing files. Victim Services responded to a number of cases involving medical-related sudden deaths, family conflict and property crime.

<sup>3</sup> Moving violations refers to unsafe lane change and unsafe passing.

<sup>4</sup> Vehicle related refers to vehicle defects, for example no lights and no insurance.

<sup>5</sup> Other refers to miscellaneous charges including fail to remain at the scene of an accident and failing to stop for police.

### 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 January, Youth Section highlights include:

- A lockdown drill was conducted at General Currie Elementary School.<sup>6</sup> During the drill Youth Section members conducted a walk-through of the school and provided feedback to school staff.
- An RCMP member in the Youth Section participated in a career event at McMath Secondary School and provided information to youth on careers in policing.

### **Financial Impact**

None.

### **Conclusion**

This month, the Richmond RCMP conducted a number of noteworthy investigations including the arrest of a suspect who had been the target of multiple fraud investigations since July 2019. In addition, the Richmond RCMP Criminal Collision Investigation Team continues to investigate Richmond's first pedestrian fatality of 2020.

In January 2020, both residential and commercial break and enters were below the five-year average range. This month also included community policing initiatives such as school sports events; however a number of volunteer deployments were cancelled due to significant snowfall. The Officer in Charge of the Richmond RCMP Detachment will continue to ensure that Richmond remains a safe and desirable community.



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Manager, RCMP Administration  
(604-207-4767)

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

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<sup>6</sup> A lockdown drill relates to safety practices in schools in the event of an active threat.

#### 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](http://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](mailto:blockwatch@richmond.ca)
- For more information, visit [www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/blockwatch.htm](http://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](http://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](http://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.

# JANUARY 2020 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**.

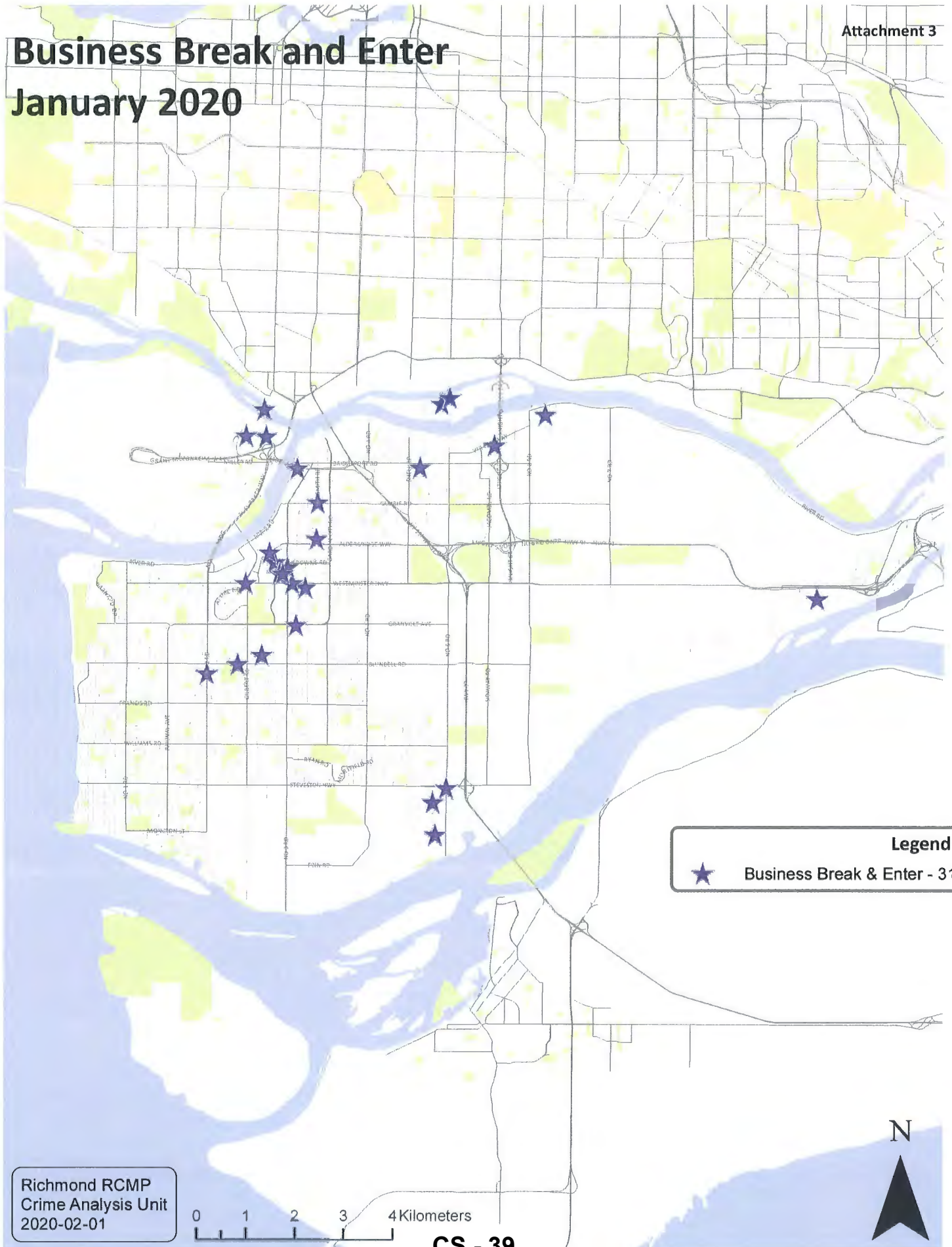
Year-to-Date percentage change is used to numbers from the prior year, but the new CCJS/UCR standards reduce the utility of this metric. 2019 YTD numbers will be biased to increase from the 2018 totals, despite any positive police action.

	Month	5-Yr Avg	5-Yr Range	Year to Date Totals			
	Jan-20	January		2019	2020	% Change	# Change
<b>VIOLENT CRIME</b> (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	<b>133</b>	<b>113.2</b>	<b>88-139</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>-17%</b>	<b>-27</b>
Robbery <small>UCR 1010, 1013</small>	<b>3</b>	7.8	5-11	10	3	-70%	-7
Assault Common <small>UCR 1430</small>	<b>56</b>	43.2	38-48	50	56	12%	6
Assault Serious <small>UCR 1410, 1420</small>	11	11.0	9-13	14	11	-21%	-3
Sexual Offences <small>UCR 1345, 1330, 1350, 1310, 3450/55/56</small>	17	13.2	3-23	26	17	-35%	-9
<b>PROPERTY CRIME</b> (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	<b>611</b>	<b>715.0</b>	<b>678-752</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>-146</b>
Business B&E <small>UCR 2120-1</small>	31	45.4	32-59	44	31	-30%	-13
Residential B&E <small>UCR 2120-2</small>	<b>47</b>	86.4	69-103	104	47	-55%	-57
Auto Theft <small>UCR 2135 (1-10), 2178</small>	<b>35</b>	25.8	19-33	33	35	6%	2
Theft from Auto <small>UCR 2132, 2142</small>	190	207.6	170-245	183	190	4%	7
Theft <small>UCR 2130, 2140</small>	<b>70</b>	114.0	91-137	115	70	-39%	-45
Shoplifting <small>UCR 2133, 2143</small>	63	62.6	52-73	78	63	-19%	-15
Fraud <small>UCR 2150 (all), 2155, 2156</small>	72	71.2	58-85	76	72	-5%	-4
<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b> (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	<b>160</b>	<b>169.6</b>	<b>163-176</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>
Arson <small>UCR 3025, 3110</small>	2	2.8	2-4	3	2	-33%	-1
<b>SUBTOTAL CC OFFENCES</b> (UCR 1000 to 3000 Series)	<b>996</b>	<b>982.8</b>	<b>889-1076</b>	<b>11248</b>	<b>11873</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>625</b>
<b>DRUGS</b> (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	<b>189</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>38-52</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>320%</b>	<b>144</b>
<b>MHA RELATED CALLS</b> (MHA files or Mental Health flag)	<b>165</b>	<b>126.4</b>	<b>93-160</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>-13%</b>	<b>-25</b>

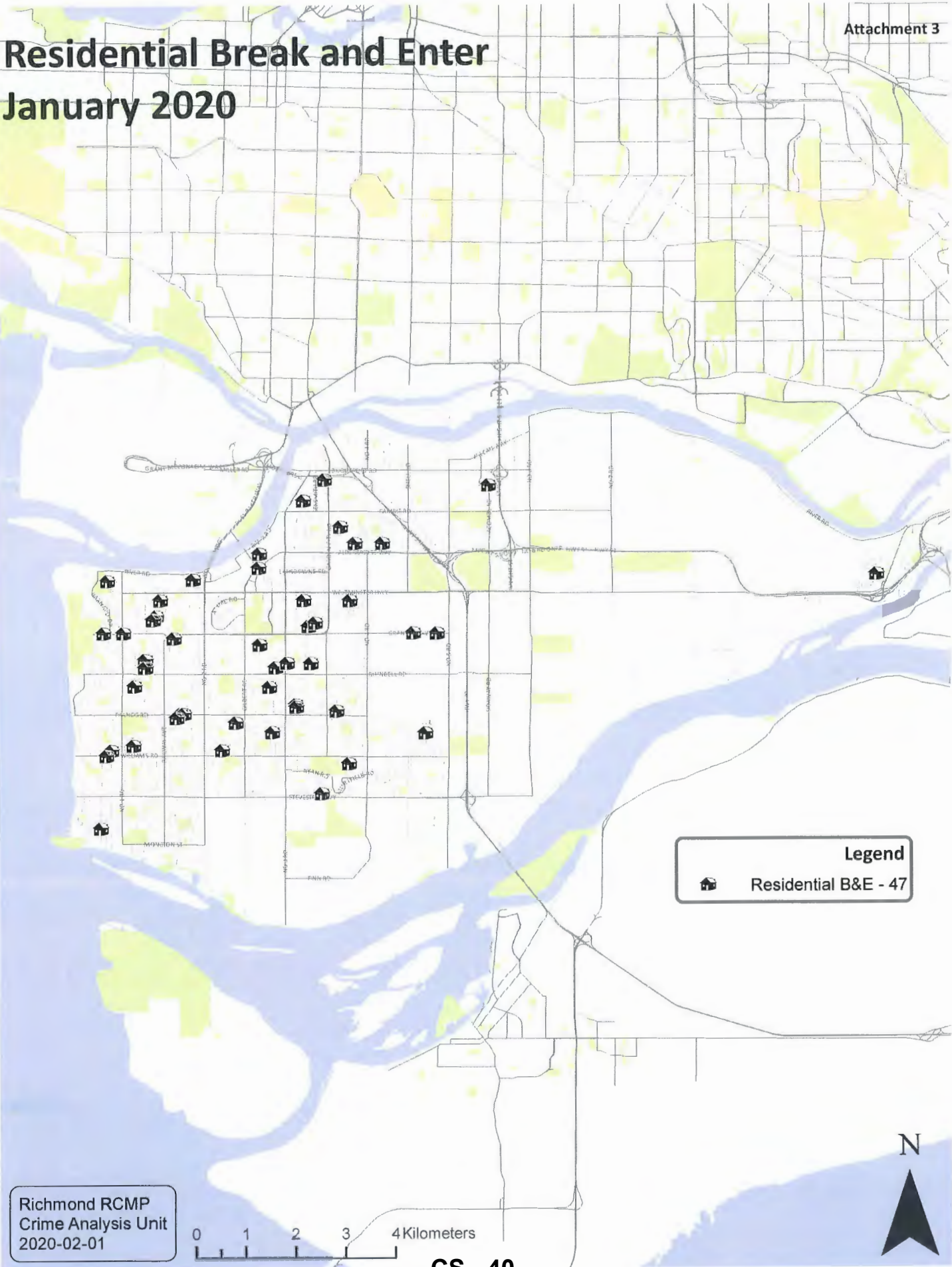
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# Business Break and Enter January 2020



# Residential Break and Enter January 2020



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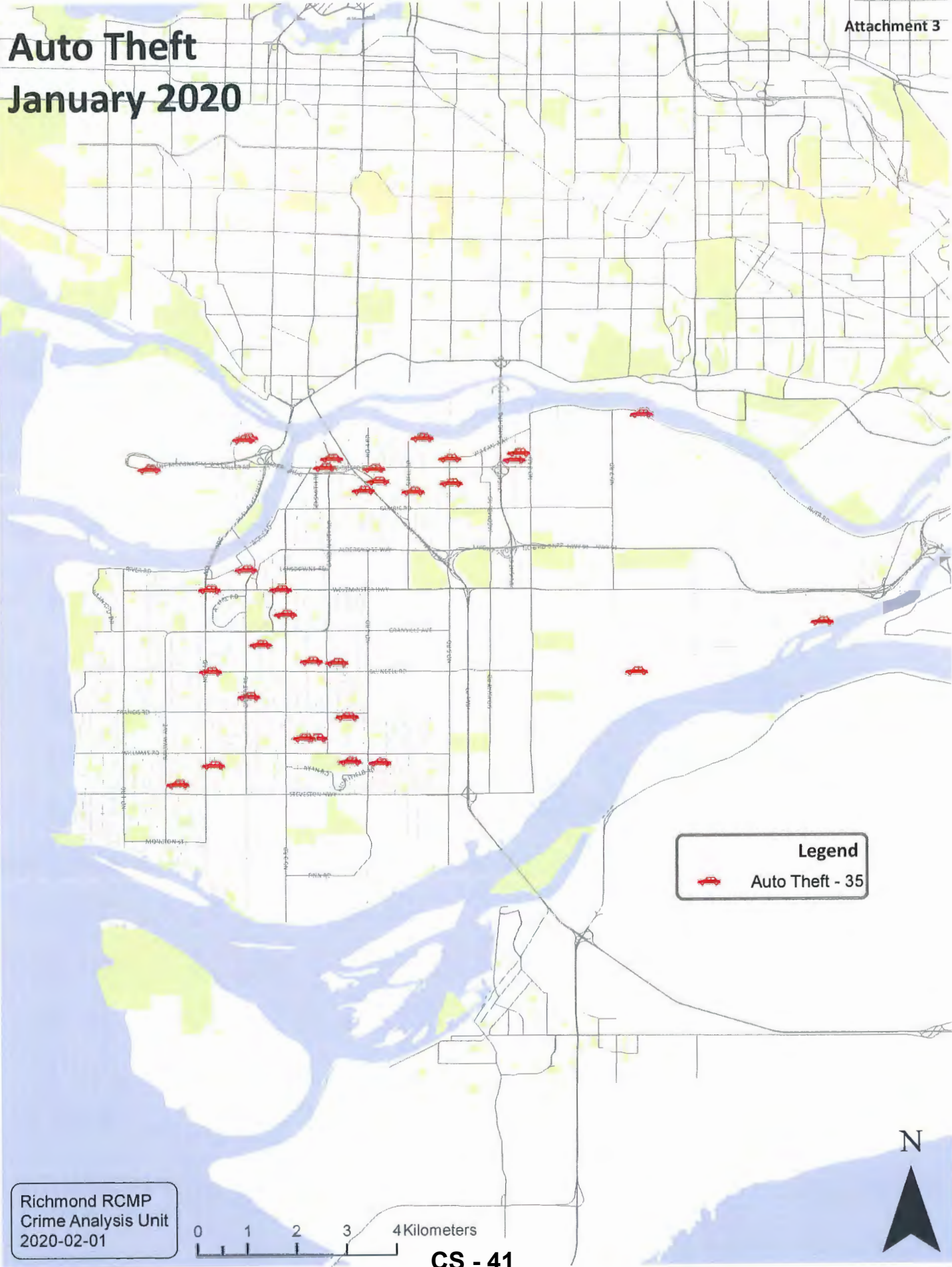
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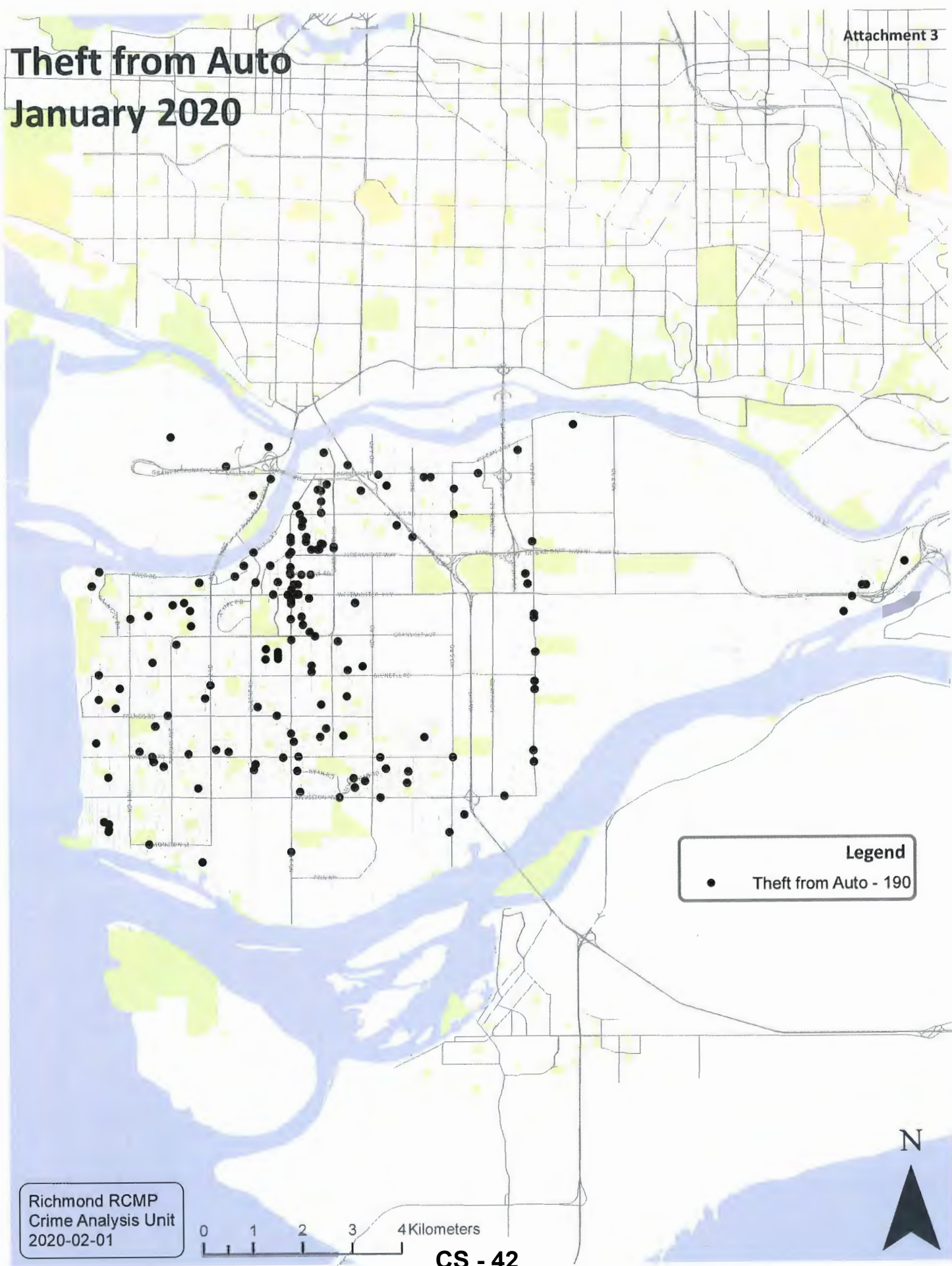
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# Auto Theft January 2020



# Theft from Auto January 2020





# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

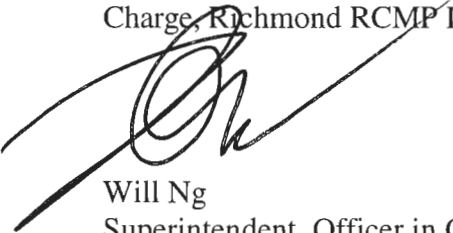
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**To:** Community Safety Committee  
**From:** Will Ng  
Superintendent, Officer in Charge  
**Date:** February 3, 2020  
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**Re:** **2019-2020 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan Third  
Quarter Results (October 1 to December 31, 2019)**



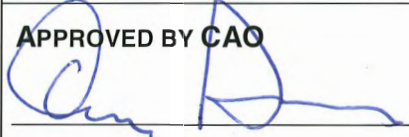
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### Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "2019-2020 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan Third Quarter Results (October 1 to December 31, 2019)", dated February 3, 2020, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.



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

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## **Staff Report**

### **Origin**

On May 14, 2019, Richmond City Council adopted the policing priorities listed in the report “2019-2020 Richmond RCMP 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*

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 quarter, the Prolific Offender Suppression Team was expanded into two teams and is now referred to as the Richmond RCMP Strike Force. The Strike Force teams play a key investigative and enforcement role in the Richmond Detachment’s offender management strategy. These teams apply evidence-led proactive policing strategies to target crime, which includes conducting targeted surveillance of known offenders. This quarter, five prolific and priority offenders were arrested.

The Richmond RCMP Property Crime Unit (PCU) successfully arrested two of their identified break and enter targets. Both arrests were the result of intelligence gathering and lengthy investigations. One offender is suspected in crimes crossing multiple jurisdictions where several charges are expected against the accused.



Volunteer engagement is an integral component of the Richmond Detachment's crime prevention strategy. This quarter, there were 12 volunteer bike deployments and 89 volunteer foot/van deployments, resulting in 822 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 14,796 notices were issued this quarter. In addition, the Richmond RCMP Crime Prevention Unit (CPU) continued to conduct residential and commercial break and enter outreach in hotspot areas.

### *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	229	140	-38%
4	Jan. 1 – Mar. 31			
<b>Total</b>		<b>588</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>-38%</b>

Source: PRIME Statistics January 9, 2020

There were 140 reported residential break and enters in the third quarter of the 2019-2020 fiscal year, which represents a 38 per cent decrease from the same quarter of the previous fiscal year. Year to date, residential break and enters are down 38 per cent from the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The Richmond Detachment is on-track to meet the target objective.

### Community Priority 2: Organized Crime

#### *Objective*

Establishing new programs to combat organized crime and money laundering.

#### *Actions*

The Richmond Detachment continues to actively support and promote the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program in Richmond schools. The DARE program works to help youth develop positive decision-making skills. This quarter, Grade 5 students in 20 classes across 14 schools participated in DARE and 560 students graduated from the program.

This quarter, there were dedicated uniform gang suppression patrols resulting in 129 commercial business checks. Uniformed RCMP officers visited the following locations: restaurants, bars, licensed body rub studios and the River Rock Casino. These patrols led to street checks of persons suspected of organized crime involvement. Four bylaw infractions were also noted and referred to Community Bylaws.

In addition, the Richmond RCMP Organized Crime Unit (OCU) investigated a drug supply operation and conducted targeted enforcement efforts, which led to the seizure of cash, weapons and drugs. Charges are expected against multiple individuals.

In response to community concerns regarding drug trafficking activity targeting a vulnerable segment of the community, the OCU initiated a Community Response Project. This multi-week initiative resulted in three arrests for drug trafficking, as well as the seizure of cash and drugs.

The OCU 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.<sup>1</sup> This quarter, Richmond RCMP uniformed officers attended 16 MSBs and Bitcoin vendors to conduct money laundering outreach and education. Two visits were conducted to a location where customers had been victimized by robbery after leaving the business. The regular police presence at these locations 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. An analysis on the feasibility of the Inadmissible Patrons Program has been conducted and recommendations are forthcoming.

### Community Priority 3: Vulnerable Persons

#### *Objective*

Full implementation of a frontline Mental Health car.

#### *Actions*

In October 2019, the Richmond Detachment launched the Richmond Mental Health Car, also referred to as Fox 80. The program has received daily calls since its inaugural deployment. This shared initiative with Vancouver Coastal Health facilitates 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. During this quarter, the Richmond Detachment's Vulnerable Persons Unit (VPU) worked with stakeholders to share information on the Mental Health Car program, which included a presentation to Richmond Public Library staff regarding the program's mandate and contact information.

The VPU continues to conduct weekly Homeless Outreach with staff from the Ministry of Social Services and Poverty Reduction. This initiative assists vulnerable clients in accessing and receiving referrals to different programs and support services in the community. The Richmond

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

RCMP is also a member of the Alderbridge Supportive Housing Community Advisory Committee and is represented by a member of the VPU.

### *Results*

The Mental Health Car (Fox 80) became fully operational this quarter. The Richmond Detachment has successfully achieved this objective. Future reporting will provide progress updates on the rollout of the program.

### Community Priority 4: Road Safety

#### *Objective*

A two per cent increase in the rate of road safety enforcement.<sup>2</sup>

#### *Actions*

This quarter, the CPU promoted a number of road safety initiatives with the collaboration of volunteers, the Richmond RCMP Road Safety Unit (RSU) and ICBC. There were 110 Fail to Stop deployments, which resulted in 2,907 letters being mailed to registered vehicle owners.<sup>3</sup> In addition, 558 Speed Watch letters were issued.

There was also a strong focus on pedestrian safety, which included the introduction of a targeted youth pedestrian safety initiative. In October 2019, RCMP officers in the CPU and Youth Section introduced pedestrian safety and awareness education in DARE classes, which reached 429 Grade 5 students in nine schools. In addition, an RCMP officer, an Auxiliary and community policing volunteers conducted Youth Pedestrian Safety Blitzes at three elementary schools and distributed 509 reflectors and 146 reflective arm bands. Additional Pedestrian Safety Blitzes were also conducted near Brighthouse Canada Line Station, Steveston Village and Ironwood Plaza and 3,736 reflectors were distributed to promote the initiative. Social media was also incorporated to increase awareness for pedestrian safety.

In response to public concerns, in November 2019 the RSU conducted a two-week speed enforcement project on Sidaway Road, which led to 150 drivers receiving enforcement notices. Consequently 10 drivers had their vehicles impounded as a result of excessive speeds, including a driver who was driving 85 kilometres over the posted speed limit.

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<sup>2</sup> Road safety enforcement includes Violation Tickets, Notice and Orders and written warnings. Comparison using the average of the last three fiscal years.

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



*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	3,348	4,309	29%
4	Jan. 1 – Mar. 31			
<b>Total</b>		<b>10,044</b>	<b>13,500</b>	<b>34%</b>

The number of enforcement notices issued this quarter is 29 per cent higher than the quarterly average from the last three fiscal years. A total of 4,309 notices were issued in the third quarter of the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Year to date, the number of enforcement notices is up 34 per cent over the average from the last three years. This total exceeds the two per cent target identified; indicating that the Richmond Detachment is on-track to meet this objective.

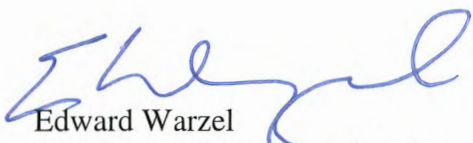
**Financial Impact**

None.

**Conclusion**

The Richmond RCMP Detachment (Richmond Detachment) has implemented various initiatives to support the community priorities and objectives established in the 2019-2020 Annual Performance Plan. Residential break and enters have decreased 38 per cent over the same period last fiscal year. New programs to target organized crime and money laundering continue to be developed and reviewed and the Richmond Mental Health Car became fully operational this quarter. Finally, Road Safety enforcement notices have increased 34 per cent over the average from the last three fiscal years.

Richmond Detachment is on-track to meet all 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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