



**Community Safety Committee
Electronic Meeting**

**Council Chambers, City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road**

**Tuesday, April 12, 2022
4:00 p.m.**

Pg. # ITEM

MINUTES

CS-4 *Motion to adopt the **minutes** of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on March 15, 2022.*



NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

May 10, 2022, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers

COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS ANIMAL PROTECTION SERVICES
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT –FEBRUARY 2022**
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 6851608)

CS-8

See Page CS-8 for full report

Designated Speaker: Susan Lloyd

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Animal Protection Services Monthly Activity Report – February 2022”, dated March 14, 2022, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.



2. **PROPERTY USE AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-00) (REDMS No. 6851616)

CS-13

See Page CS-13 for full report

Designated Speaker: Mark Corrado

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled “Property Use and Parking Enforcement Monthly Activity Report - February 2022”, dated March 14, 2022, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.



3. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022**

(File Ref. No. 09-5375-03) (REDMS No. 6849911)

CS-20

See Page CS-20 for full report

Designated Speaker: Acting Fire Chief Jim Wishlove

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – February 2022”, dated March 14, 2022, from the Acting Fire Chief, be received for information.



4. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Acting Fire Chief Jim Wishlove

Items for discussion:

- (i) *Retirement of Fire Chief*

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5. **2022-2023 RICHMOND RCMP DETACHMENT ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN -COMMUNITY PRIORITIES**
(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6850963)

CS-31

See Page CS-31 for full report

Designated Speaker: Acting OIC, Supt. Julie Drotar

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the priorities, Property Crime, Organized Crime, Road Safety and Vulnerable Persons, listed in the staff report titled "2022-2023 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan - Community Priorities", dated March 9, 2022 from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP, be endorsed for inclusion in the Richmond RCMP Detachment's fiscal year 2022-2023 (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023) Annual Performance Plan.

6. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - FEBRUARY 2022**
(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6846045)

CS-39

See Page CS-39 for full report

Designated Speaker: Acting OIC, Supt. Julie Drotar

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report- February 2022", dated March 8, 2022, from the Acting Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

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

Designated Speaker: Acting OIC, Supt. Julie Drotar

Items for discussion:

(i) *None*

8. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

ADJOURNMENT



Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Linda McPhail, Chair
Councillor Carol Day, (by teleconference)
Councillor Andy Hobbs
Councillor Alexa Loo (by teleconference)
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Harold Steves (by teleconference)

Also Present: Councillor Au
Councillor Wolfe (by teleconference)

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 February 15, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

April 12, 2022, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers

Community Safety Committee
Tuesday, March 15, 2022

COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

**1. PROPERTY USE AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY
ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2022**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-00) (REDMS No. 6839792)

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled “Property Use and Parking Enforcement Monthly Activity Report -January 2022”, dated February 15, 2022, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

**2. COMMUNITY BYLAWS ANIMAL SERVICES MONTHLY
ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2022**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 6829365)

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Animal Services Monthly Activity Report – January 2022”, dated February 14, 2022, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

CARRIED

**3. RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT –
JANUARY 2022**

(File Ref. No. 99-Fire Rescue) (REDMS No. 6835583)

A brief discussion ensued with respect to the Grade 2 classroom workbook of educational activities delivered to a trial group of schools in Richmond. Chief Wilkinson noted the success of the trial and desire to expand the program with School District #38.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – January 2022”, dated February 10, 2022, from the Acting Fire Chief, be received for information.

CARRIED

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4. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

(i) Business Inspections

Chief Wilkinson noted a review of the website to provide easier access to information for businesses for booking inspections (eliminating the need to call). It was noted further that the first 2022 joint venture Richmond Fire-Rescue /Greater Vancouver Fire Chief's Association inspection group annual inspection event, will take place on April 13, 2022, providing single-day free Mobile Outdoor Food Service Unit (MOFSU) inspections. MOFSU operators will be able to receive both a Richmond Fire-Rescue and Lower Mainland inspection decal for their compliant MOFSUs.

5. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT-JANUARY 2022**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6827172)

A brief discussion ensued with respect to home security cameras. It was suggested that citizens contact the RCMP, instead of using social media outlets, when any questionable footage is captured, especially when criminal in nature.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report - January 2022", dated February 11, 2022, from the Acting Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

CARRIED

6. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

(i) Youth Academy

Acting OIC Supt. Julie Drotar provided a brief overview of the Richmond RCMP Youth Academy policing program, offered along with the Richmond School District #38 Career Programs Office, which took place February 17-21, 2022, providing a unique opportunity for 40 applicants from grades 10-12.

7. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

(i) New Officer in Charge

Staff noted the new Officer In Charge will be appointed soon and anticipated to be in attendance for the next Community Safety meeting.

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Tuesday, March 15, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (4:42 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, March 15, 2022.

Councillor Linda McPhail
Chair

Lorraine Anderson
Legislative Services Associate



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 14, 2022
From: Cecilia Achiam **File:** 12-8060-01/2022-Vol
 General Manager, Community Safety 01
Re: **Community Bylaws Animal Protection Services Monthly Activity Report – February 2022**

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Animal Protection Services Monthly Activity Report – February 2022”, dated March 14, 2022, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

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

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
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Staff Report

Origin

This monthly report for the Animal Protection Services department provides information and statistics for enforcing bylaws related to Animal Protection Services and Dog Licencing 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

Dog Licencing and Animal Protection Services

In February the total number of dogs licenced was 1,694 dogs. This figure represents 188 new dog licence applications and 1,506 dog licence renewal applications. The total number of dogs licenced year to date is 5,931.

The City has created a new "report a problem" email, animalservicesrequest@richmond.ca to address all animal concerns within the City. The purpose of the creation of a dedicated email address is to ensure that animal concerns, questions and/or complaints, are prioritized and responded to in a timely manner by both Animal Protection Services staff and the BC SPCA. The City's website referencing "*pets and animals*" together with the City's internal directory, have been updated to reflect the new email for use by the public. The contact email has also been posted on all City social media platforms. This email is monitored between the hours of 7am to 9pm, seven days a week, with complaints received outside of the monitored hours, responded to on the next business day. To ensure seamless service to the public and incident tracking purposes, any animal related complaints directed to bylawrequest@richmond.ca are forwarded to this new email for action.

Figure 1 below, highlights the top five patrolled parks and/or schools for the month of February. BC SPCA Officers proactively patrolled 57 parks and/or schools for the month of February.

Figure 1: Parks Patrolled

Top Patrolled Parks

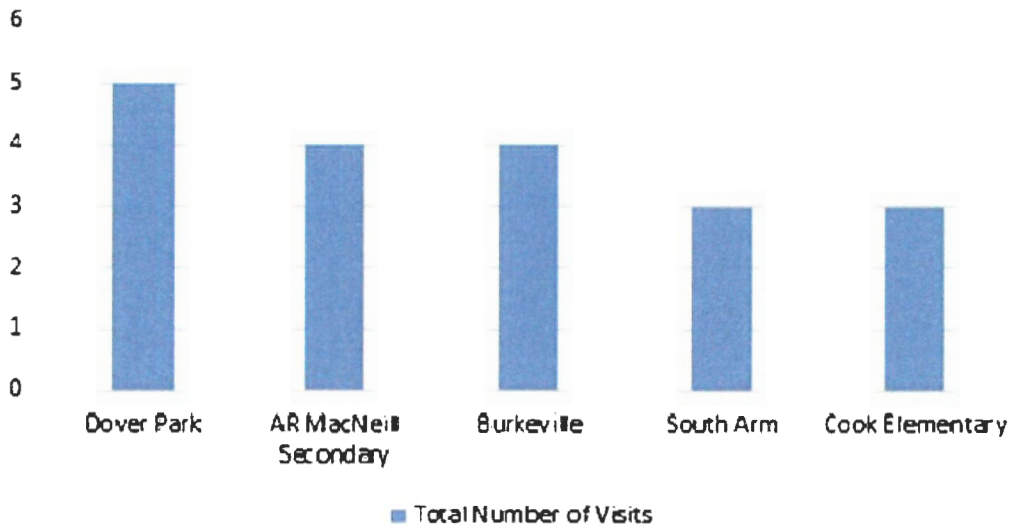


Figure 2 below, represents the 120 calls for service that the BC SPCA Officers attended for the month of February. The “DOA pick ups”, include three domestic animals with the remainder being deceased wildlife on public property.

Figure 2: Dispatch Calls for Service

Dispatch Category

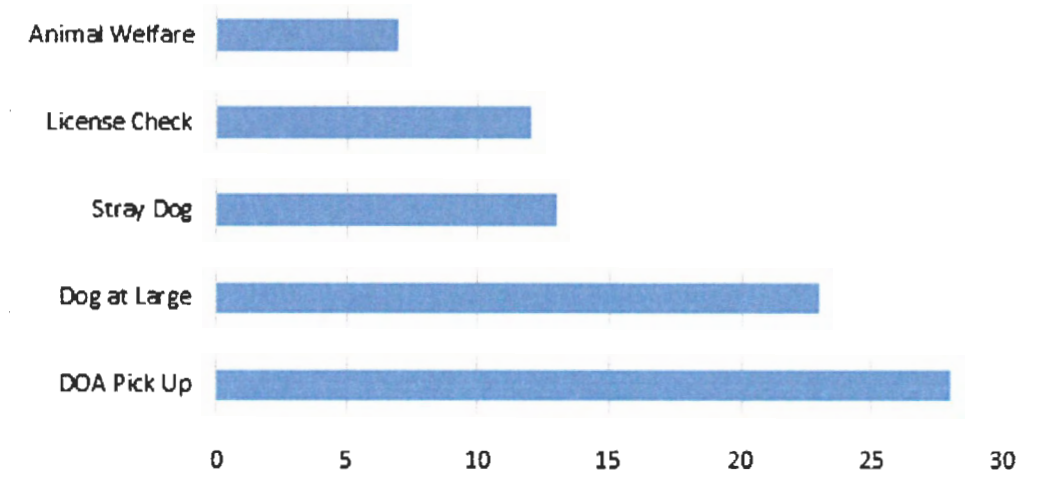


Figure 3 below, reflects the monthly and year-to-date animal control and dog licencing enforcement activity measured by violation issuance. The corresponding revenue is reflected in Figure 4. For the month of February, BC SPCA Officers issued 33 bylaw violation notices. Animal Protection Services ticket revenue continues to reflect an increase, which can be attributed to BC SPCA Officers foot patrols of non-permitted off-leash parks, City dikes, and school grounds, which have resulted in ticketing for non-compliance of both the Dog Licencing Bylaw No. 7138 and the Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932.

Figure 3: Dog Licencing & Animal Protection Services Violation Issuance Comparison

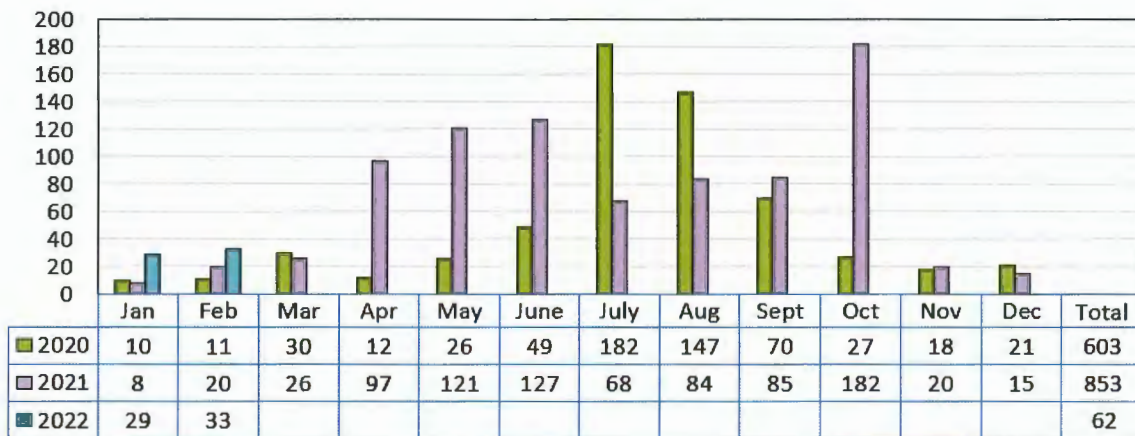
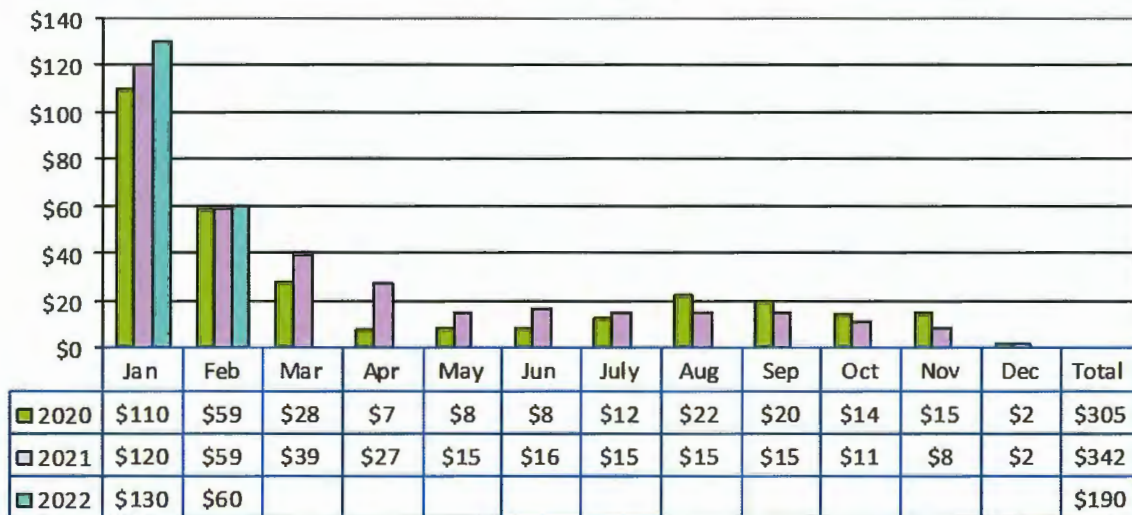


Figure 4: Dog Licencing and Animal Protection Services Revenue Comparison (000's)



Animal Protection Services Bylaw Adjudication

The Animal Protection Services bylaw adjudication session was held on February 16, 2022. The adjudication session consisted of 14 violations in contravention of the Animal Control

Regulation Bylaw No. 7932 and one violation in contravention of the Dog Licencing Regulation Bylaw No. 7138. The 14 animal control bylaw violations were upheld and ruled in favour of the City by the adjudicator. The dog licencing bylaw violation was dismissed and ruled in favour of the disputant by the adjudicator. The next adjudication hearing is scheduled for May 26, 2022.

Revenue and Expenses

The Animal Protection Services department derives its revenue from dog licences and animal fines. Table 1 outlines their individual revenue, while Table 2 highlights Animal Protection Services revenue and expenses within the Community Bylaws section.

Table 1: Animal Protection Services Revenue by Source

Program Revenue	Budget Feb 2022	Actual Feb 2022	YTD Budget Feb 2022	YTD Actual Feb 2022
Dog Licences	51,591	57,988	154,705	187,369
Animal Protection Services Fines	1,748	2,150	3,383	2,700
Total Revenue	53,339	60,138	158,088	190,069

Table 2: Animal Protection Services Revenue and Expenses

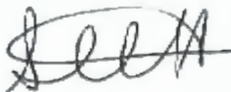
		YTD Budget Feb 2022	YTD Actual Feb 2022
Animal Protection Services	Revenue	158,088	190,069
	Expenses	207,806	179,257
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(49,718)	10,812

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

The Animal Protection Services department administers a wide range of bylaws related to animal protection services, which includes public parks and school grounds, noise, dog licencing and animal control. This report provides a summary of monthly enforcement and educational activity, including revenue and expenses.



Susan Lloyd
 Manager, Animal Protection Services and Contract Administration
 (604-247-4467)



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 14, 2022
From: Cecilia Achiam **File:** 12-8060-00/Vol 02
 General Manager, Community Safety
Re: **Property Use and Parking Enforcement Monthly Activity Report - February 2022**

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled "Property Use and Parking Enforcement Monthly Activity Report - February 2022", dated March 14, 2022, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

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

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SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS: <i>MA</i>
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Staff Report

Origin

This monthly report for the Property Use and Parking Enforcement sections of Community Bylaws provides information and statistics for enforcing bylaws related to land use, noise, health, soil, short-term rentals, parking permits and parking enforcement.

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

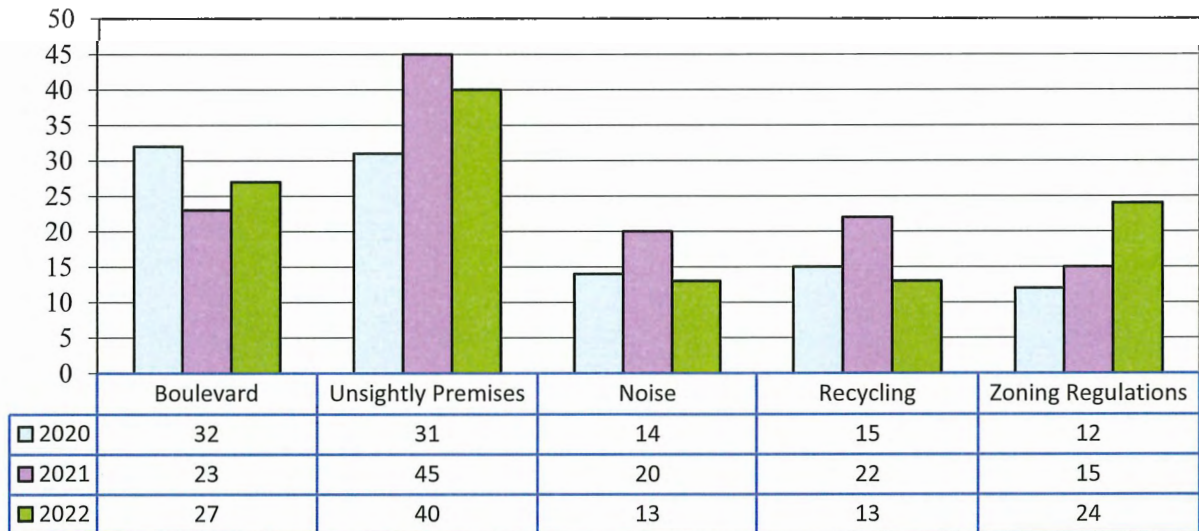
1.1 Enhance safety services and strategies to meet community needs.

Analysis

Property Use Calls for Service

Property Use enforcement matters are divided into the following groups: Community Bylaws, Engineering and Business Licencing. Figure 1 shows the calls for service for Property Use.

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

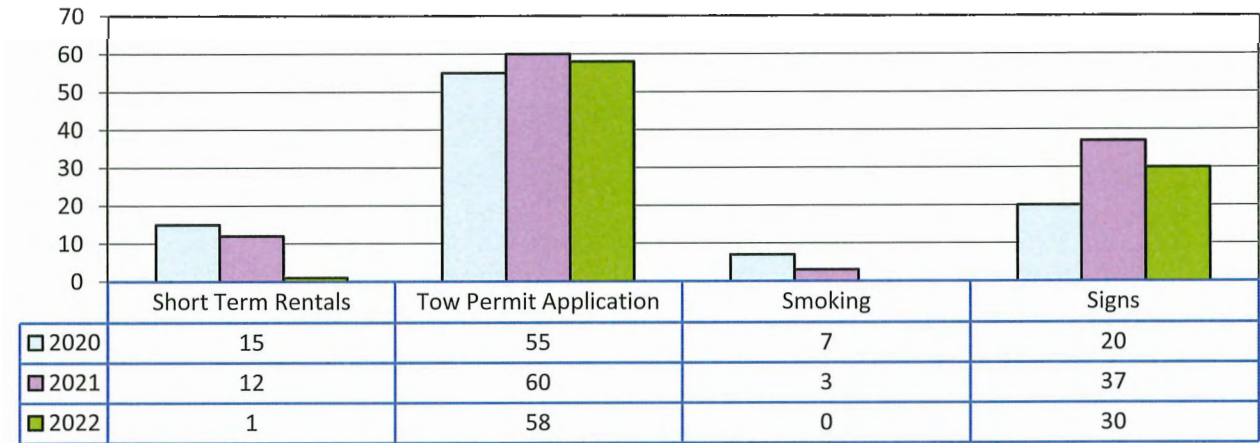


Property Use officers both investigate property related matters based on public complaints and conduct proactive enforcement. While there is a slight variance between 2022 year-to-date and 2021, the overall trend is in line with historical averages.

Other Community Bylaws Calls for Service

Figure 2 shows other Calls for Service, which are closely related to Property Use matters.

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



The above trend in reduced Calls for Service for Short Term Rental violations is directly related to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Grease

The Grease Officer remains focused on education and communication. During the month of February, the Grease Officer conducted 136 grease-trap inspections. A year-to-date total of 279 inspections have been conducted.

Soil Report

The Soil Bylaw Officer (Officer) is responsible for responding to public complaints and issues of non-compliance related to unauthorized filling; the need to monitor permitted soil deposits and removal sites; and inspecting properties that are undergoing remediation to come into compliance with applicable City bylaws. The Officer conducted 27 site inspections in the month of February.

The following properties are now compliant:

- 14671 Triangle Road
- 5800 No. 7 Road
- 6020 No. 5 Road

The following properties were found to be non-compliant and a Stop Work Order was issued:

- 14260 Westminster Highway
- 20371 Westminster Highway

The Officer is monitoring 14 approved sites and is currently addressing 28 properties that are considered non-compliant.

Bylaw Prosecutions

There were no trials this month or cases that were settled with a consent agreement. No new bylaws charges were sworn in February.

Parking Enforcement

For the month of February 2022, Parking Officers proactively patrolled for stopping and parking infractions while continuing to monitor assigned files. Parking Officers received 214 Calls for Service for parking related matters. Management of files by Parking Officers are priority-based, with all safety and obstruction requests receiving top priority. Parking revenue and ticket issuance comparison are listed in Figures 3 and 4 below.

Figure 3: Parking Revenue Comparison (000's)

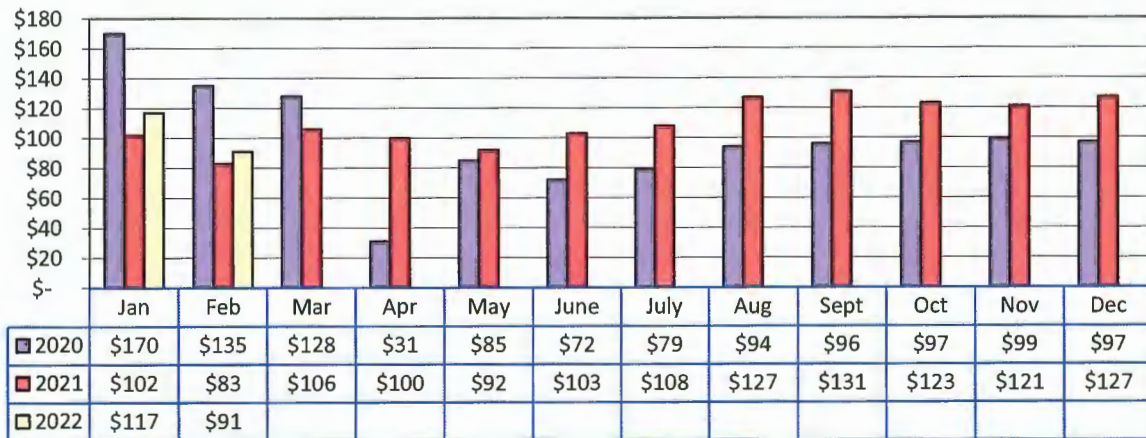
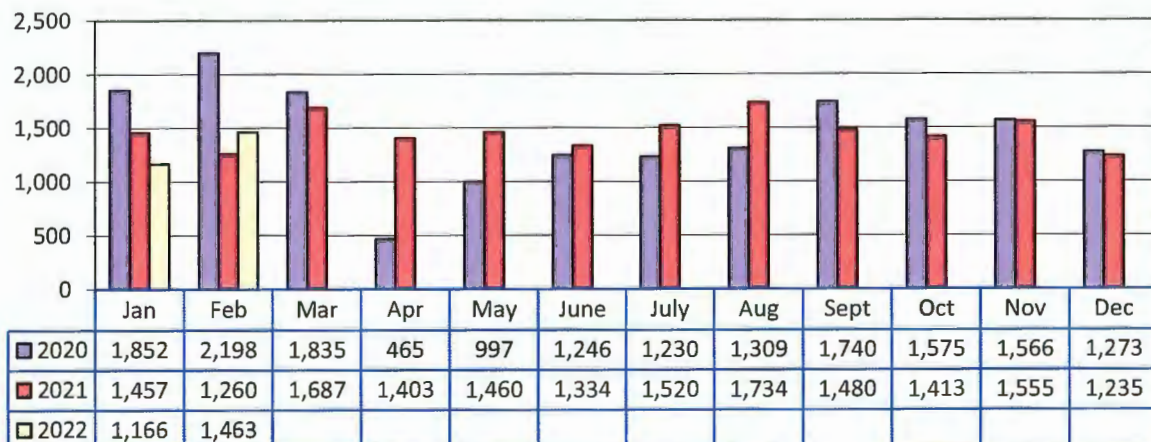


Figure 4: Parking Violations Issuance Comparison



Ticketing

The following table reflects Property Use and related Bylaws ticket issuance by Offence type for the month of February and year to date.

Table 1: Community Bylaw Offences

Ticket Issuance (BVN's & MTI's)	February	YTD
Short-Term Rental Offences	0	0
Soil Deposit and Removal Offences	2	2
Watercourse Protection Offences	0	0
Unsightly Premises Offences	1	2
Noise Offences	0	0
Grease Trap Offences	0	0
Solid Waste and Recycling Offences	0	0
Sign Offences	4	4
Watering Offences	0	0
Totals	7	8

Bylaw Adjudication

An adjudication session took place February 16, 2022. The adjudicator ruled in the City's favour for all five disputed tickets relating to Property Use, Parking and Business Licenses offences.

The next adjudication session is scheduled for May 26, 2022.

Revenue and Expenses

Revenue in Property Use is primarily derived from permits, tickets, and court fines related to bylaw prosecutions. The actual amount collected each month can vary depending on the timing of court rulings and ticket payments. These results are shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Property Use Revenue by Source

Program Revenue	Budget Feb 2022	Actual Feb 2022	YTD Budget Feb 2022	YTD Actual Feb 2022
False Alarm	4,633	0	9,267	991
Towing Permits	1,472	1,905	4,737	3,935
Newspaper Box Permits	2,512	3,715	9,306	3,715
Soil Permit Application	1,000	3,000	2,000	3,750
Bylaw Fines and Fees	19,726	4,125	63,507	4,625
Total Revenue	29,343	12,745	88,817	17,016

The budgeted revenue from "Bylaw Fines and Fees" has increased in 2022 due to the expected revenue generated from collecting volume fees relating to the new Soil Deposit and Removal Bylaw No. 10200.

The reduced revenue in Bylaws Fines and Fees is the twofold result of: a reduction in calls-for-service/fines related to Short-Term Rentals due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and reduced soil permit demand during the early spring months. It is anticipated, as the weather improves, that demand for soil permits will increase.

Parking Enforcement generates much of its revenue from meters, permits, and fines. The remainder of revenue generated is from filming and receivable income. Table 3 outlines individual revenue types. Table 4 outlines the net revenue and expenses for both Property Use and Parking.

Table 3: Parking Revenue by Source

Program Revenue	Budget Feb 2022	Actual Feb 2022	YTD Budget Feb 2022	YTD Actual Feb 2022
Contract Revenue ¹	5,033	5,000	11,237	10,000
Filming Revenue	0	0	0	0
Parking Revenue ²	171,621	91,103	383,141	208,096
Receivable Income ³	8,389	0	18,728	0
Total Revenue	185,043	96,103	413,106	218,096

Table 4: Property Use and Parking Revenue and Expenses

		YTD Budget Feb 2022	YTD Actual Feb 2022
Property Use	Revenue	88,817	17,016
	Expenses	256,392	118,816
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(167,575)	(101,800)
Parking	Revenue	413,106	218,096
	Expenses	299,150	221,658
	Net Revenue (Expense)	113,956	(3,562)

Financial Impact

None.

¹ City Towing Contract with Rusty's towing

² Parking Revenue consists of Parking Meters, Monthly Parking Permits, and Parking Enforcement

³ Receivable Income consists of Night Market Recoveries

Conclusion

The Property Use and Parking Enforcement sections of Community Bylaws administer and enforce a wide range of bylaws related to land use, unsightly premises, short-term rentals, soil, noise, parking permit issuance and parking enforcement. This report provides a summary of this month's activity, including revenue and expenses.



Mark Corrado
Director, Community Bylaws and Business Licensing
(604-204-8673)



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee

Date: March 14, 2022

From: Tim Wilkinson
Fire Chief

File: 09-5375-03/2022

Re: Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – February 2022

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – February 2022”, dated March 14, 2022, 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:
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Staff Report

Origin

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

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

Analysis

Emergency Programs

In House City Staff Training and Development

Emergency Programs staff created a facilitated incident command systems (ICS) workshop that is available to all City staff on request to promote a Culture of Emergency Preparedness amongst City staff. We delivered the first of these workshops to Public Works staff. The goal of the workshop was to develop skills through scenario-based exercises and be able to apply ICS to every day events. In addition, the training provided staff with the ability to inter-operate with RFR, RCMP and other City departments who utilise the ICS system for command and control and large event management.

Staff presented an update on the status of current emergency planning, public engagement and education programs that are available to the Community Social Development (CSD) team. The goal of the presentation was to work with the CSD team to align programming and support each other in the delivery of services.

Public Education

Staff facilitated an online Emergency Preparedness Workshop for the Hamilton Community Centre where residents learned how to keep their households safe before, during and after an emergency.

Canadian Red Cross National Inclusive Resiliency Project Update

Staff presented emergency planning information and supported the Seniors Wellness Clinic at the Minoru Centre for Active Living. During this in-person engagement opportunity, staff provided answers to attendees during the 'Ask the Expert' session that focused on earthquakes. This engagement provided the opportunity to promote Canadian Red Cross' surveys as well as the City's Emergency Notification System registrations.

Training and Public Education

During February 2022, fire-training staff delivered educational activities and programs including Fire Cause and Origin, Technical Rescue, Frontline Leadership, Fire Service One, Incident Command System 100 and 200 and Wildfire Structure Protection Program (Wildland Fire Fighting).

During February 2022, Public Education staff delivered educational materials for each day of Burn Awareness Week, which ran from February 6 to 12, 2022. Videos were created each day of the week promoting burn awareness and safety. A video was also created to showcase the BC Professional Fire Fighters Burn Fund and what they offer burn survivors from all over BC.

Public Education staff also facilitated the wearing of pink epaulettes for RFR staff to show their support for Pink Shirt/Anti-Bullying Day.

Emergency Response

Richmond Fire-Rescue staff continue to respond to calls for service incorporating Health Orders issued by the Province to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as provide regular services to the community.

Richmond Fire-Rescue’s goal is to respond to incidents in a manner where loss of life, reduction of property damage and protection of the environment is mitigated. In February 2022, there were a total of 685 reported incidents, representing a 19 per cent increase in incidents from February 2021 (Attachment 1).

Richmond Fire-Rescue continues to experience increases in medical call responses due to changes in the Provincial Health Orders and Medical Health Officer’s direction. The increase in February 2022 is a result of the gradual return to normal levels of service of medical event types and responses to medical calls. RFR continues to monitor all activities to identify and create programs to incorporate emerging trends.

The average time on scene for RFR crews was 31 minutes, which was higher than the 29 minutes that was recorded in 2021. The time spent on scene can vary due to the nature and severity of each incident.

Table 2: Total Incidents - February 2022

	Totals (2022)	Percentage Change from February 2021	Number Change from February 2021 to 2022	5 Year Average for February
Alarm Active No Fire	109	- 4	-4	124
Explosion	1	-	+1	0
Fire	27	+4	+1	22
Haz-Mat	6	- 60	-9	10
Medical	353	+48	+114	327
MVI	57	+19	+9	74
Public Hazard	6	-	0	8
Public Service	81	-	0	68
Response Cancelled/Unfounded	40	-14	-6	56
Specialized Transport	3	+50	+1	3
Tech Rescue	2	+100	+1	1
Totals	685	+19	+108	692

In February 2022, there were 27 fire incidents which were reported to the Office of the Fire Commissioner representing a four per cent increase from February 2021. The average number of fires reported in February over the last five years is 22.

Richmond Fire-Rescue’s emergency fire response goal is to contain a fire to the room of origin. The room of origin standard is especially important in terms of fire loss and damage, which increases significantly once a fire extends beyond the room of origin.

Fire damage and property losses during February 2022 are estimated at \$221,187. This total includes \$67,500 for building/asset loss and \$153,687 for content loss. The total building/asset and content value at risk was estimated to be \$8,309,487 and the total value preserved from damage was \$8,088,300. These numbers translate to 97 per cent of value protected (Table 2); this value is lower than the value observed in 2021; 99 per cent.

Incident Type Breakdown	Incident Volume	Estimated Building/Asset Value (\$)	Estimated Building/Asset Loss (\$)	Estimated Content Value (\$)	Estimated Content Loss (\$)	Estimated Total Value Preserved (\$)
Residential: Single family	1	2,359,000	1,500	-	-	2,357,500
Multi family	4	5,276,000	-	11,700	1,700	5,286,000
Commercial/Industrial	3	468,000	50,000	150,000	150,000	418,000
Outdoor	18	-	-	28,787	1,987	26,800
Vehicle/Vessel	1	16,000	16,000	-	-	-
Totals*	27	8,119,000	67,500	190,487	153,687	8,088,300

* 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 February 2022 incidents:

- **February 2, 2022 – Commercial fire on Twigg Place.** RFR crews responded to a working fire at the exterior of a building at a metal recycling scrap yard. The first arriving crews extinguished the fire quickly. An excavator was utilized on scene to help extinguish all of the debris involved. There were no injuries to the staff, public or RFR personnel. A Fire Investigator attended the scene.
- **February 20, 2022 – Residential fire on Elmbridge Way.** RFR crews responded to a fire in a home where the cause of the fire was an excessively clogged dryer vent. Crews extinguished the fire and found there was no extension past the dryer or the vent hose that went into the wall. A Fire crew remained on scene to assist with removing smoke from the second floor for the residents. A Fire Investigator attended the scene.
- **February 22, 2022 – Commercial fire on No. 2 Road.** RFR crews responded to a strip mall with black smoke showing from one of the commercial units. RFR crews extinguished the fire and cleared smoke from inside of the unit. Crews found the fire had extended into a nearby heating, ventilation, and air conditioning unit. Fire crews worked diligently to extinguish that fire and the adjacent units were vented after property representatives arrived on site. There were no injuries to residents or RFR personnel. A Fire Investigator attended the scene.

- **February 23, 2022 – Technical rescue on Garden City Road.** RFR crews responded to a commercial property for a report of a trapped person. Crews found a person with their left hand pinned between two rollers of a paper-feeding machine. Crews confirmed through visual inspection that the feeding machine and the machine next to it were de-energized and locked out. After BC Emergency Health Services crews arrived on scene and confirmed that the patient was ready to be extricated, the rollers of the machine were rotated backwards to remove the patient's hand. Once freed, the patient was loaded into an awaiting ambulance with the assistance of RFR crews. The personal protective equipment of two firefighters was contaminated on scene. As a result, a full decontamination process was conducted including the assembly of replacement personal protective equipment before returning into service. The scene was turned over to RCMP and WorkSafe BC for investigation.
- **February 24, 2022 – Commercial fire on Twigg Place.** RFR crews arrived on scene to a metal scrap recycling yard with a small amount of smoke showing. This was located at a different business location to an earlier incident. Crews established command and successfully extinguished hot spots found in the scrap pile. After the fires were extinguished, crews commenced scene clean up. There were no injuries to the staff, public or RFR personnel. A Fire Investigator attended the scene.
- **February 24, 2022 – Residential fire on Granville Avenue.** RFR crews responded to a structure fire on a golf course. Fire crews were directed to an electric golf cart storage and charging shed that was fully involved in fire with flames coming through the roof. The fire had progressed to a point whereby crews proceeded to attack the fire in a defensive manner to extinguish the shed fire. Nearby residential homes were not affected. There were no injuries to the staff, public or RFR personnel. A Fire Investigator attended the scene.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Richmond Fire-Rescue continues to monitor activities to identify and create programs to respond to emerging trends. RFR staff remain ready to continue to work through and adapt to the ever-changing pandemic situation.



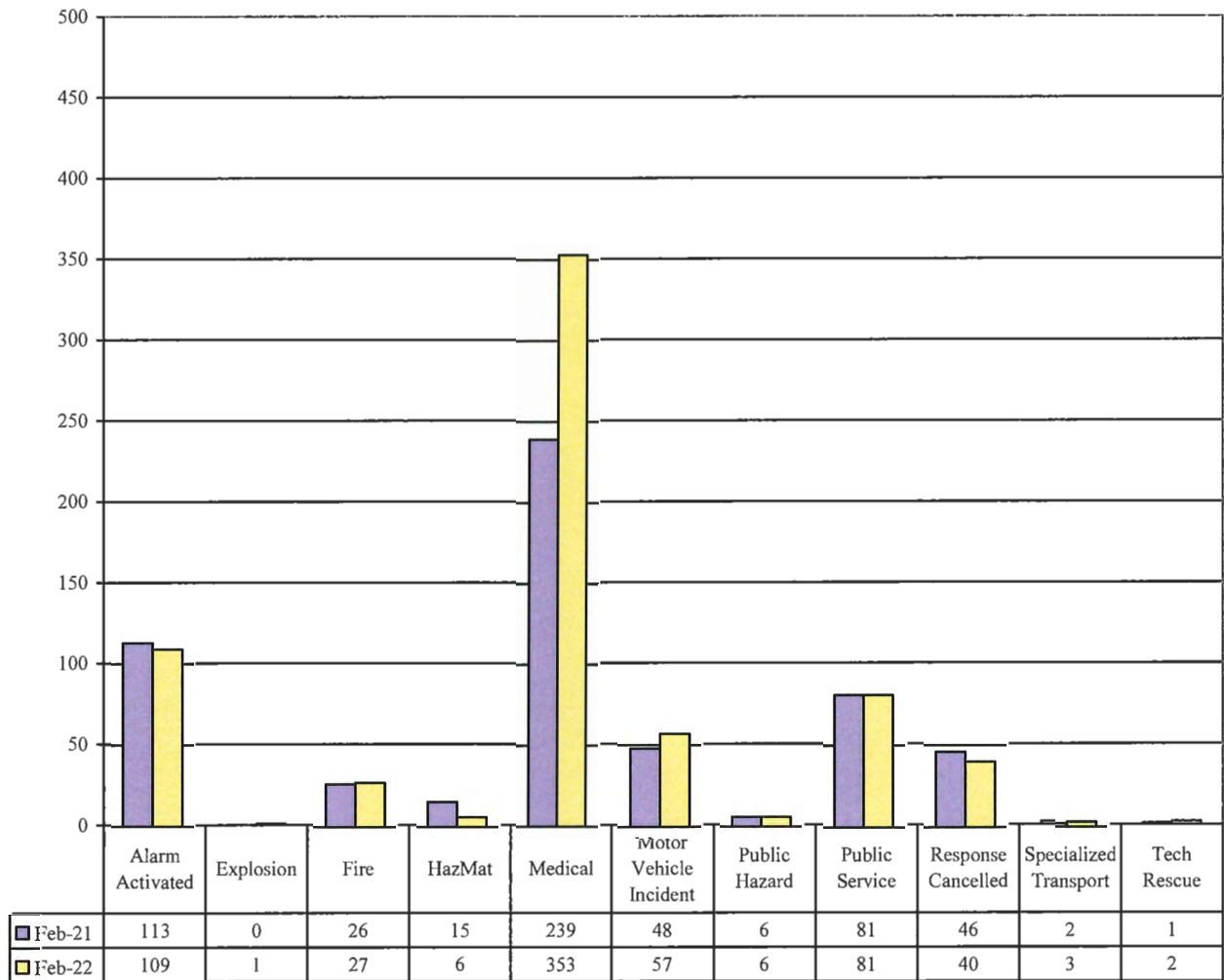
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Att. 1: Suppression Activity, including location of February's Fire, Medical and MVIs

Incident Volumes

The following chart provides a month-to-month comparison regarding incidents occurring in February 2022 and 2021. In February 2022, there were a total of 685 incidents, compared to 577 in February 2021. This represents an increase of 19 per cent. RFR continue to see incident numbers returning to normal levels due to gradual changes in the Provincial Medical Health Officer orders in response to the pandemic.

Table 4a: February 2021 & February 2022 Incident Volumes



Incident 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 52 per cent of the total emergency responses for RFR during the month of February 2022. A detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for February 2021 and 2022 is set out in the following table by sub-type. There were a total of 353 medical incidents in February 2022 compared to 239 in February 2021, an increase of 48 per cent. RFR continue to see incident numbers returning to normal levels due to gradual changes in the Provincial Medical Health Officer orders in response to the pandemic.

Table 5a: February 2021 & February 2022 Medical Calls by Type

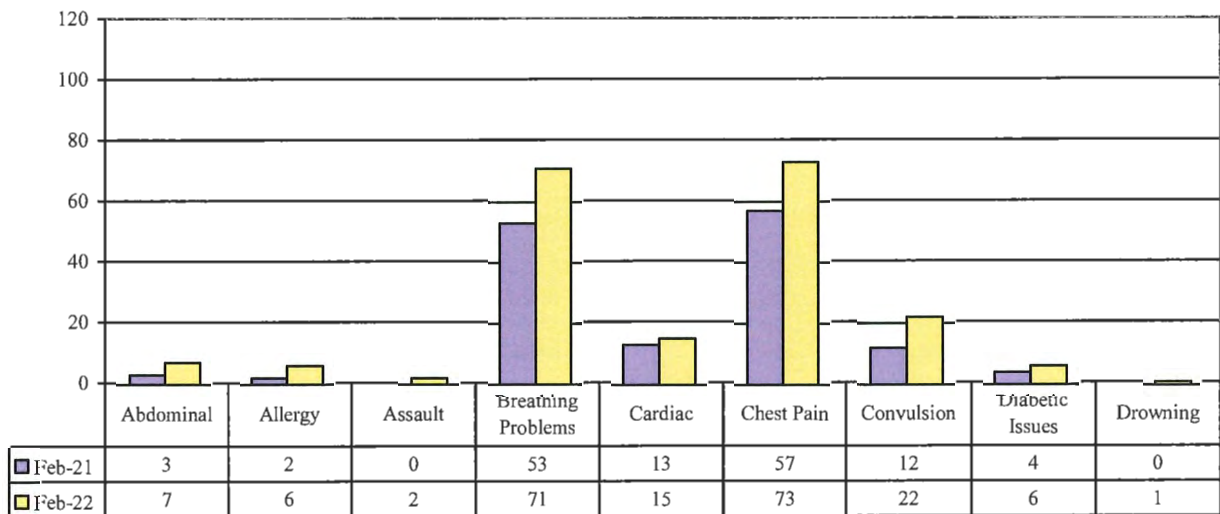
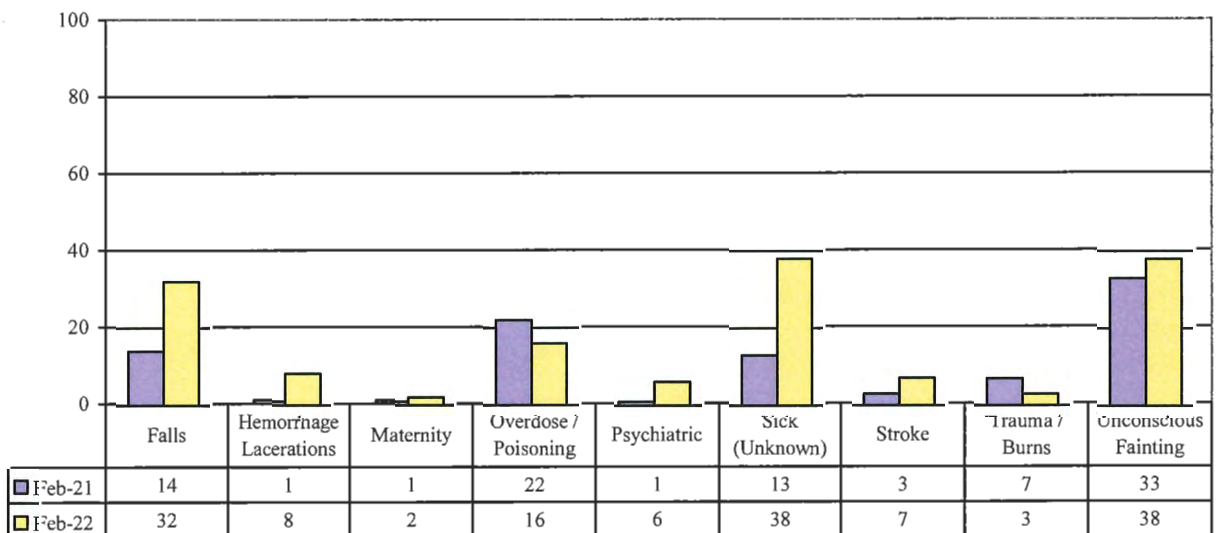


Table 5b: February 2021 & February 2022 Medical Calls by Type



Fire Investigations

The fire investigation statistics for February 2022 are listed below:

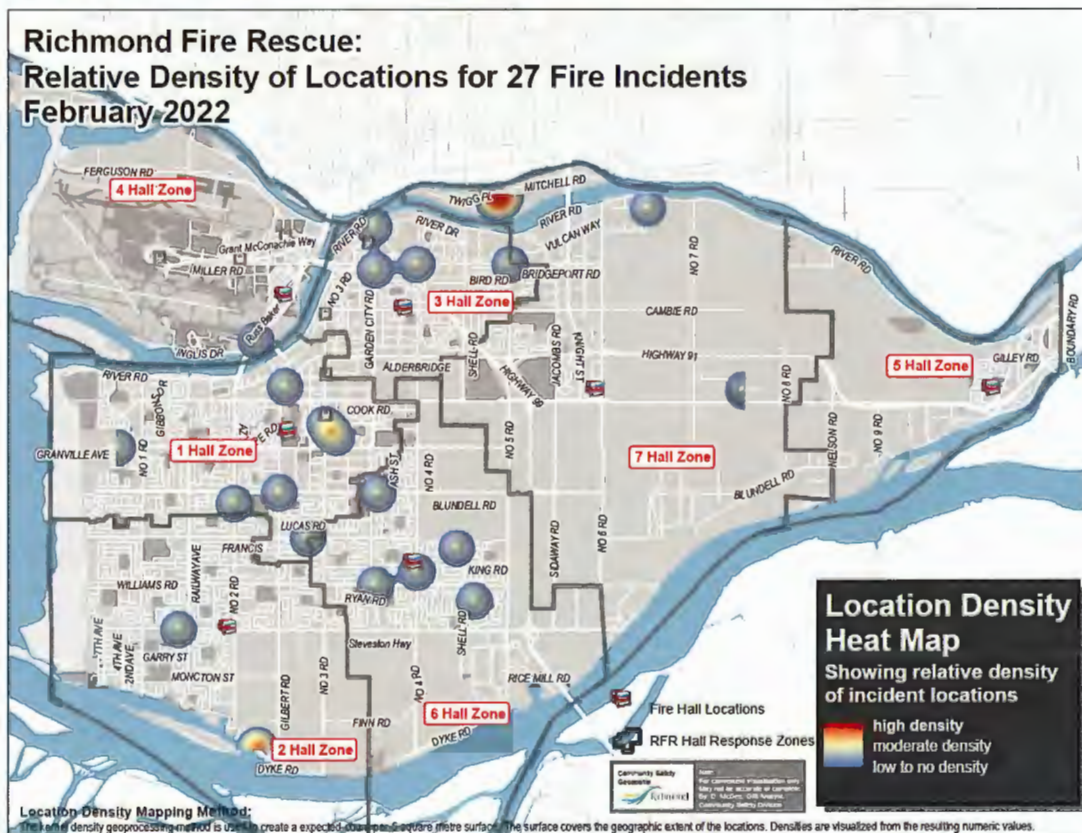
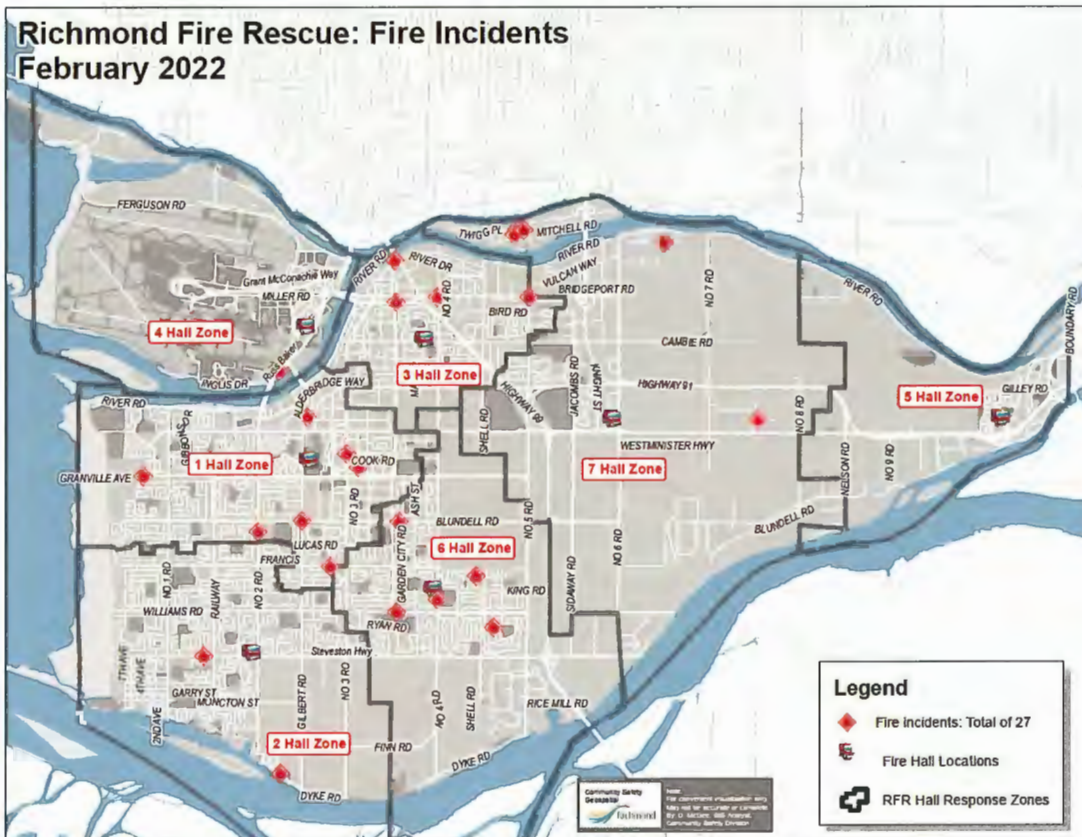
Table 6: Total Fire Investigation Statistics – February 2022			
	Suspicious	Accidental	Undetermined
Residential - Single-family	-	1	1
Residential - Multi-family	-	4	1
Commercial/Industrial	-	2	1
Outdoor	4	11	3
Vehicle	-	1	-
Totals	4	19	4

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

Table 7: Hazardous Materials Incidents By Type – February 2022	
	Details
Natural Gas / Vapour / Propane Leaks (small)	5
Unclassified	1
Totals	6

Figure 1: Location of reportable fires attended in February 2022 (total 27)



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Figure 2: Location of medical incidents in February 2022 (total 353)

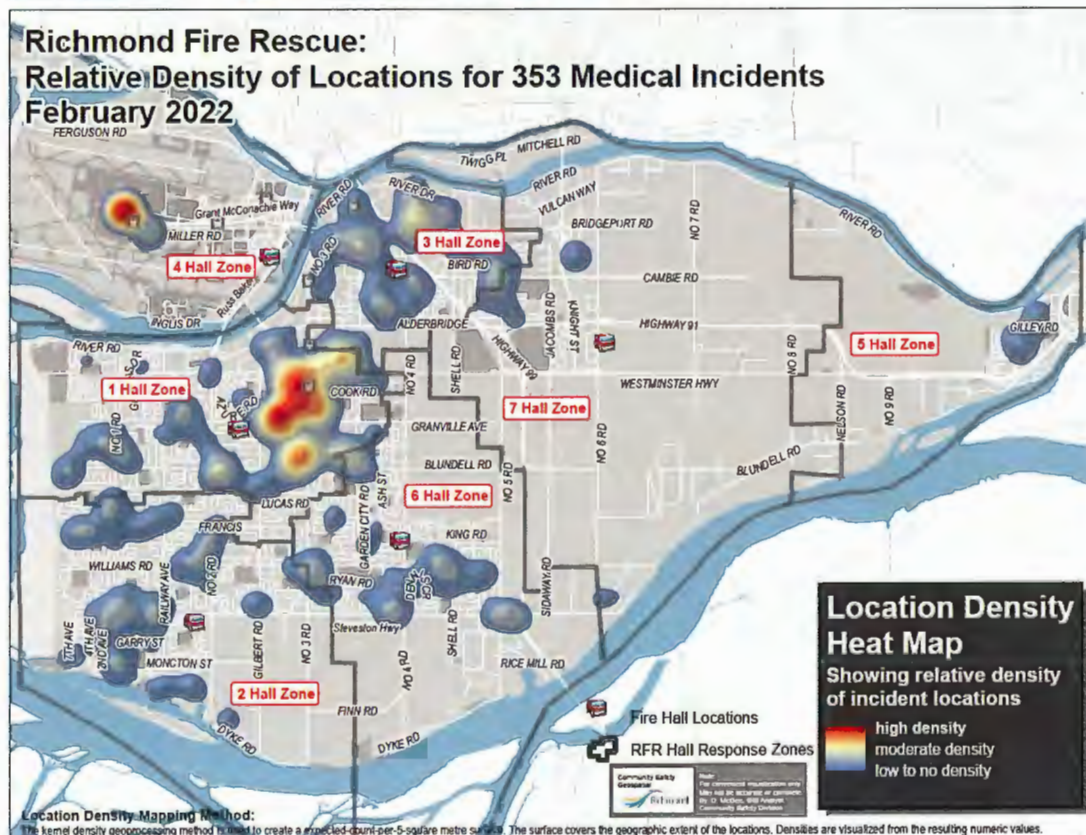
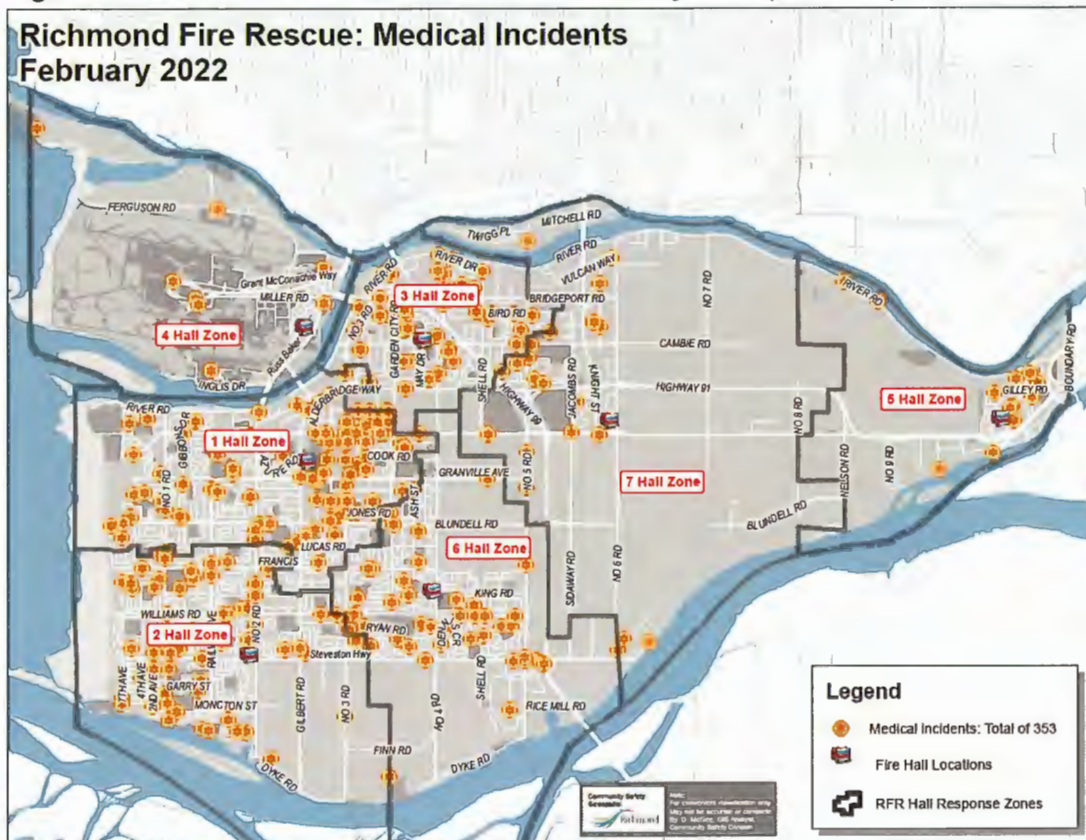
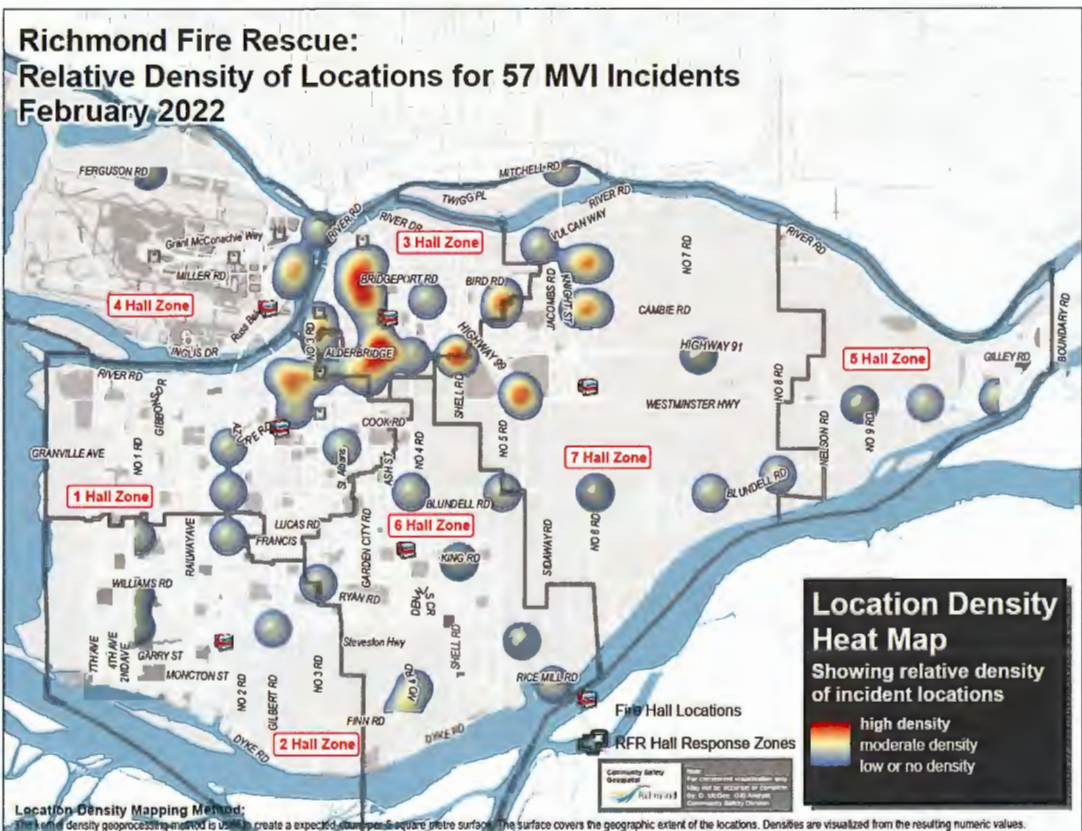
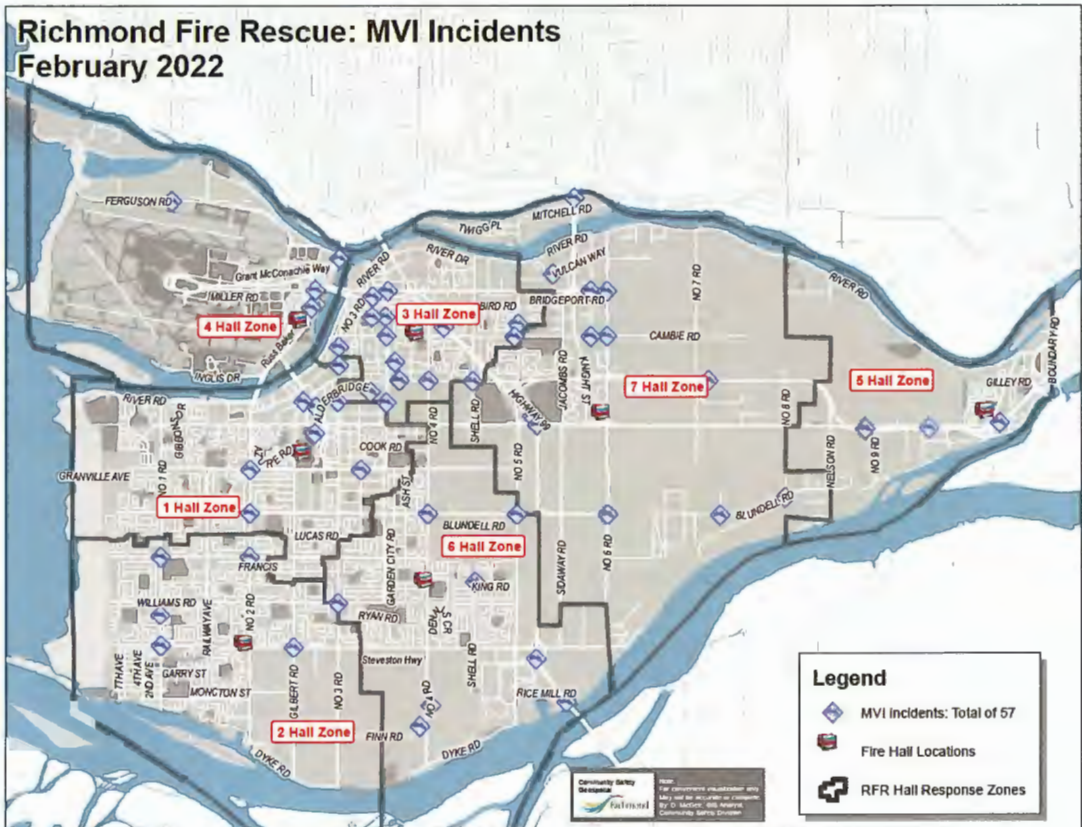


Figure 3: Location of MVI Incidents in February 2022 (total 57)



Location Density Mapping Method: This type of density geoprocessing method is used to create a expected surface across the surface. The surface covers the geographic extent of the locations. Densities are visualized from the resulting numeric values.



To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 9, 2022
From: Julie Drotar **File:** 09-5000-01/2022-Vol
 Superintendent, Acting Officer in Charge 01
Re: **2022-2023 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan –
 Community Priorities**

Staff Recommendation

That the priorities, Property Crime, Organized Crime, Road Safety and Vulnerable Persons, listed in the staff report titled “2022-2023 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan – Community Priorities”, dated March 9, 2022 from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP, be endorsed for inclusion in the Richmond RCMP Detachment’s fiscal year 2022-2023 (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023) Annual Performance Plan.

Julie Drotar
 Superintendent, Acting Officer in Charge
 (604-278-1212)

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Staff Report

Origin

The Officer in Charge (OIC) of the Richmond RCMP Detachment (Richmond Detachment) is committed to aligning the Richmond Detachment's strategic goals with the City of Richmond's vision "to be the most appealing, livable and well-managed community in Canada" and the RCMP's vision to promote safe communities. As such, the Richmond Detachment requests Council's input into the development of its Annual Performance Plan (APP) for the 2022-2023 fiscal year (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023).

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.

Findings of Fact

Background

The APP delivers planning and performance management to the Richmond Detachment and ensures policing initiatives are aligned with the City of Richmond and RCMP strategic priorities. The APP allows the OIC to systematically evaluate and manage police resources, programs and operations. It also provides a valuable consultation and reporting mechanism for the City of Richmond, the Commanding Officer of RCMP "E" Division and Richmond Detachment staff.

Planning

The OIC is committed to regular engagement with Council and City staff to identify opportunities for improved service delivery in the community. The Richmond Detachment also promotes community and stakeholder engagement in developing responses to policing priorities. This process contributes to a robust framework for strategic planning activities and allows for the coordination of policing objectives with the unique needs of the City of Richmond, as well as the RCMP's national, provincial and district initiatives. Measurements, targets and integrated risk assessments for policing initiatives are also created annually to monitor performance and manage opportunities and risks.

The priorities recommended for the APP are not an exhaustive list of the Richmond Detachment's policing objectives. Rather, they are selected in alignment with the following strategic pillars identified in the 2021-2025 Richmond RCMP Detachment Strategic Plan:

- People
- Promoting Public Safety
- Targeted Enforcement

In addition, the RCMP's Vision 150 guides additional goals and objectives for the RCMP nationwide.¹ These and other guiding documents allow for a tailored and expansive approach to strategic planning and performance management activities at the Richmond Detachment, which are not confined to the APP.

Quarterly Performance Updates

Every quarter, Council receives an update on the status of the APP, which highlights the progress of objectives and policing initiatives, as well as communicates whether planned targets are on-track. For those measures which are not on-track, an assessment is conducted to determine whether alternative responses would be effective.

Annual Performance Plan Features

The APP is designed to facilitate the best management and administrative practices for RCMP Units and Detachments and provides the foundation for the following five organizational initiatives:²

- Contract and Aboriginal Policing Community Plans;
- Integrated Risk Management;
- Unit Level Quality Assurance;
- Performance Management; and
- Performance Improvement.

Analysis

Community Priorities

The Community Priorities outlined in the APP are selected through the ongoing strategic planning process. This includes the analysis of police statistics and emerging public safety issues, the review of existing programs and initiatives and the contributions of regular discussions with stakeholders, including interviews conducted in support of the 2021-2025 Richmond RCMP Detachment Strategic Plan. Community engagement conducted through the Let's Talk Richmond platform in March 2020 has continued through the exchange of ongoing stakeholder discussions which includes dialogue related to future program and initiative implementations.

The selected priorities are comprehensively reviewed to identify possible opportunities and risks and initiatives in support of each priority are then developed through a collaborative planning process. A target performance measure is also assigned to each priority to assist with evaluating the success and impacts of the initiatives.³ This process facilitates an effective response to the identified objectives and provides an opportunity to demonstrate accountability to stakeholders and the broader community.

¹ Vision 150 and beyond is the RCMP's Strategic Plan, <https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/vision150/strategic-plan-strategique/index-eng.htm>

² As per RCMP Administrative Manual Chapter 18.2 Annual Performance Plan

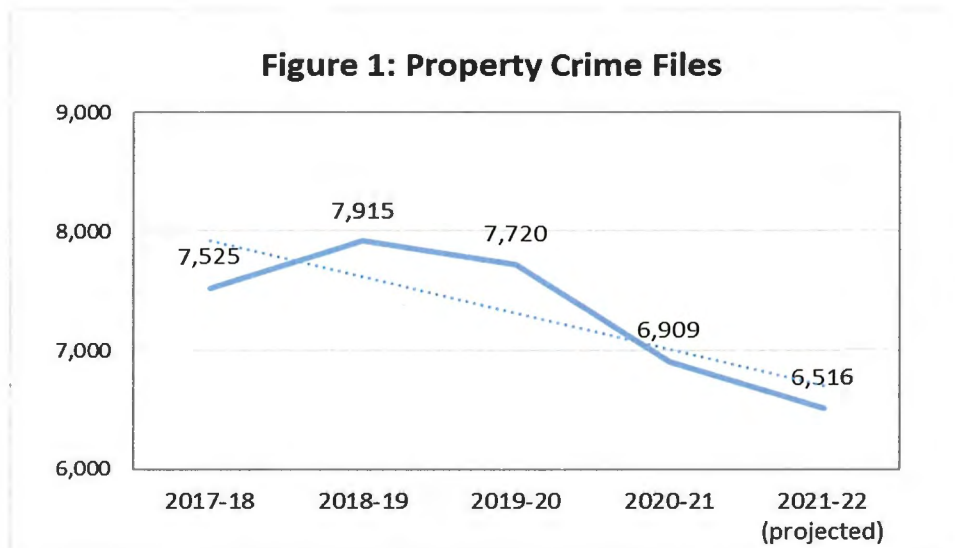
³ Performance measures will be presented in the quarterly updates.

Due to challenges associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, many of the initiatives included in the previous year’s APP were not fully realized. This included restrictions on training opportunities for police officers and volunteers, in addition to crime prevention program limitations. After assessing these impacts and analyzing recent crime trends and stakeholder feedback, the OIC is recommending that Council align this year’s priorities with those of the previous year in order to maintain the Richmond Detachment’s commitment to these strategic priorities, while also continuing to develop the responses and initiatives promoting these objectives. As such, the OIC is recommending the following four priorities for this year’s APP (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023):

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

Property Crime

Statistical analysis of property crime incidents for the last five years has identified a decreasing trend, with prominent reductions in the 2020-21 and 2021-22 fiscal years. However, property crime remains a community priority in order to ensure these reductions are sustained. The COVID-19 pandemic contributed to a reduction in property crimes and there is the potential for increases in these crime types as behaviours return to pre-pandemic patterns.



The Richmond Detachment has continued to deploy a robust crime reduction strategy built on intelligence-led crime analysis to target property crimes. These responsive measures include the management of prolific offenders, proactive policing initiatives, collaborations with partner agencies and targeted enforcement projects, in addition to increased training for police officers. Police will continue to deploy these measures while also working to develop enhanced engagement and communication strategies including increasing public awareness of crime prevention measures and programs. This will include ongoing public messaging regarding emerging trends, including cyber-frauds, such as cryptocurrency scams.

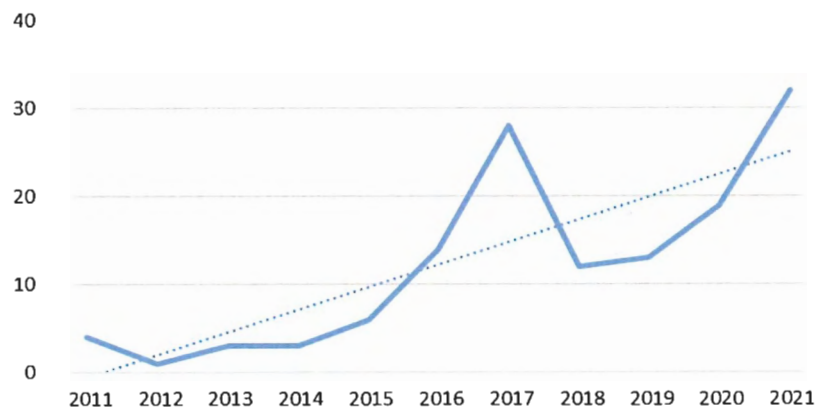
The Richmond Detachment is also looking to expand existing crime prevention initiatives by enhancing public outreach and police visibility, including the use of Pop-Up detachment events, high visibility foot patrols and business outreach. In addition to serving as crime prevention measures, these activities, along with the Block Watch program, also help enhance public perceptions of community safety. Volunteer programs such as Lock Out Auto Crime, Crime Watch and bike patrols are additional tools to support crime prevention initiatives, which will continue to be pursued this fiscal year.

Organized Crime

The Richmond Detachment has maintained organized crime as a community priority. While the overall violent crime rate has been decreasing in Richmond, the OIC is committed to combatting organized criminal activities, which include drug trafficking, drug production, fraudulent activities and money laundering. These activities pose numerous public safety concerns, including the dangers of clandestine drug labs and gang violence.

Over the last 10 years, the number of deaths in Richmond related to illicit drug toxicity have been trending upwards.⁴ While there was a notable decrease in 2018, the numbers began to spike in subsequent years. Police recognize the danger that these illicit drugs pose to the community and specialized investigators have worked to target drug trafficking and drug production. In the 2021-2022 fiscal year, investigators conducted a number of organized crime-related investigations, which led to notable arrests and the seizure of various quantities of drugs and cash.

Figure 2: Illicit Drug Toxicity Deaths



The Richmond Detachment continues to prioritize investigations and measures that target the disruption of organized crime. These initiatives include gang suppression patrols, projects

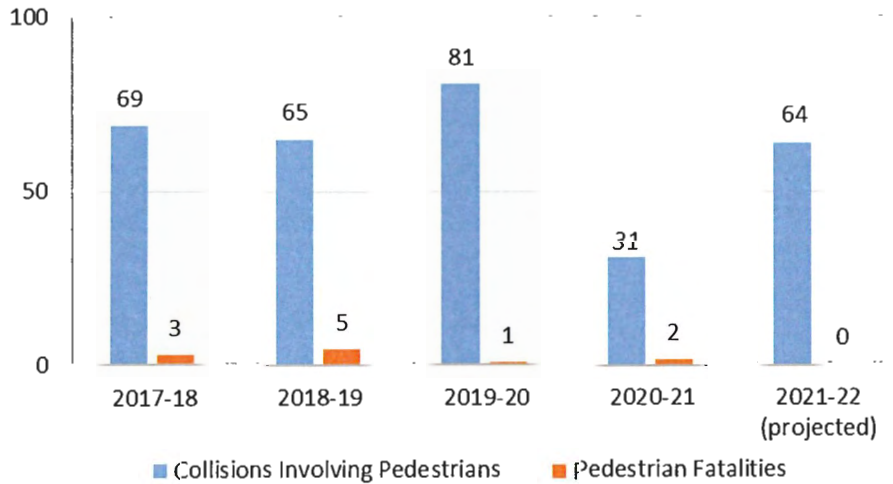
⁴ <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/birth-adoption-death-marriage-and-divorce/deaths/coroners-service/statistical/illicit-drug.pdf>

targeting illicit gaming locations and outreach to money service businesses, in addition to programs promoting youth education, intervention and engagement.

Road Safety

The Richmond Detachment continues to work on enhancing safety on Richmond’s roads and has maintained Road Safety as a community priority. This objective has been approached with a comprehensive road safety strategy built on intelligence-led analysis, the engagement of community policing volunteers, public education campaigns and ongoing proactive enforcement efforts. Vehicle collisions involving pedestrians decreased in the 2020-2021 fiscal year, which is partially attributed to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic but began to increase the following year. However, pedestrian fatality numbers decreased in the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Figure 3: Vehicle Collisions Involving Pedestrians



The Richmond Detachment has been promoting public education campaigns and leveraging social media to increase awareness of road safety topics, including distracted driving, speeding, impaired driving and pedestrian safety. In addition, the Community Engagement Team and volunteers have conducted road safety outreach and deployments targeting these concerns. These actions have included Fail to Stop and Speed Watch deployments, as well as pedestrian safety outreach events where thousands of safety reflectors were distributed throughout Richmond.

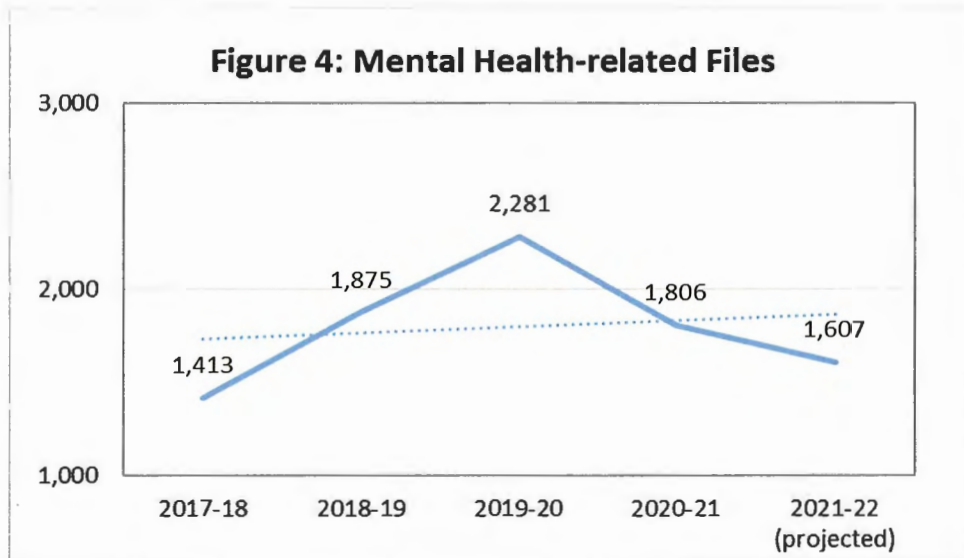
This consistent messaging, along with ongoing targeted enforcement efforts will remain a priority this fiscal year. Enforcement projects continue to be based on collision data and feedback received from the community. In addition, the Youth Section continues to conduct regular enforcement projects in school zones.

Vulnerable Persons

The Richmond Detachment is maintaining Vulnerable Persons as a community priority. After several years of increases, mental health-related calls for service in Richmond began to decline in the 2020-2021 fiscal year. This has been attributed to a number of factors including the launch

of the Fox 80 Mental Health Car (Fox 80) in October 2019, in partnership with Vancouver Coastal Health. This program, which consists of a mental health nurse and police officer providing a joint response to calls where mental health is a concern, provides specialized support to clients in crisis.

While the number of files has started to trend downwards, the demand on police resources remains high. The average hospital wait time and number of police apprehensions increased in 2021, by 24 and 16 per cent respectively.



In order to address these challenges, the Vulnerable Persons Unit has worked to promote collaborative responses to complex social issues surrounding vulnerable persons, including mental health concerns, addiction and homelessness. Moreover, the Richmond Detachment has taken on a leadership role in enhancing partnerships and client support services by working with stakeholders to find viable solutions to assist vulnerable clients.

Fox 80 is the most prominent of these programs; however, there are various ongoing initiatives in place, including homeless outreach, collaboration with the Assertive Community Treatment team and participation in the Joint Operations Team. This fiscal year, the Richmond Detachment will continue to focus on collaborative responses to issues surrounding vulnerable persons, while also working on increasing member training and awareness surrounding these issues

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Richmond Detachment requests Council select the following as Community Priorities for inclusion in the 2022-2023 Annual Performance Plan (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023):

March 9, 2022

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

The targeted activities, as described in the Community Priorities, will include a focus on intelligence-led policing, offender management, officer visibility and crime reduction initiatives through community education, engagement and partnerships, as well as intervention and prevention programs.

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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 8, 2022
From: Julie Drotar **File:** 09-5000-01/2022-Vol
 Superintendent, Acting Officer in Charge 01
Re: RCMP Monthly Activity Report – February 2022

Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – February 2022”, dated March 8, 2022, from the Acting Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.

Julie Drotar
 Superintendent, Acting Officer in Charge
 (604-278-1212)

Att. 3

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Staff Report

Origin

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

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

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

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Analysis

Activities and Noteworthy Files

Property Crime Arrests

On February 12, 2022, the Richmond RCMP partnered with Metro Vancouver Transit Police for a joint property crime operation. Police specifically targeted criminals using public transit to enter Richmond in order to commit crimes. Officers arrested 18 people for offences including theft, possession of stolen property and breach of conditions. In addition, during the deployment a bait bike was stolen, a warrant was executed and a missing 13-year-old girl was located.

Youth Academy

The Richmond RCMP held its inaugural Youth Academy between February 17 and 21, 2022. The program, which was jointly coordinated with the Richmond School District, is aimed at students in grades 10 to 12 who have an interest in policing. The 32 participants engaged in practical police-related scenarios and had the opportunity to speak with police officers from a variety of specialized sections, including the RCMP Dive Team and Emergency Response Team.

Attempted Robbery

On February 18, 2022, Richmond RCMP officers responded to a parking lot in the 8000 block of Ackroyd Road after receiving a report of an attempted robbery. An 88-year-old woman was approached by the occupant of a vehicle who attempted to steal her purse. The suspects fled the

scene after the failed attempt. The victim was unharmed in the incident, which remains under investigation.

Policing Priorities in Action – SPICE Events

On February 5 and 6, 2022, the Richmond RCMP Community Engagement Team conducted two Special Post-Incident Community Engagement (SPICE) events at the Lansdowne Mall. The events were in response to a multi-victim homicide, which had occurred the previous month. Police engaged with more than 40 people on each day, including related queries about the Block Watch program. Victim Services was also offered to residents affected by the incident.

Analysis of Police Statistics

Arson

In February 2022, there was one reported arson, which is down four incidents from the previous month and down one incident from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of arsons this month is within the expected range.

Assault Serious (Assault with a Weapon)

There were 11 assault serious events in February 2022, which is down 39 per cent from the previous month and up 10 per cent from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of serious assaults this month is within the expected range.

Auto Theft

In February 2022, there were 22 incidents of auto theft, which is up nine per cent from the previous month and up 22 per cent from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of auto thefts this month is within the expected range.

Drugs

In February 2022, there were 36 drug files, which is more than double the number reported the previous month and is up nine per cent from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of drug incidents this month is within the expected range.

Mental Health

There were 133 mental health-related incidents in February 2022, which is a 28 per cent increase from the previous month and is a 17 per cent increase from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of mental health-related incidents this month is within the expected range.

There were 81 police apprehensions this month and the average hospital wait time was 94 minutes; both of these statistics are within the expected ranges.

Residential Break and Enter

There were 31 break and enters to residences in February 2022, which represents no change from the previous month and is an 11 per cent increase from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of residential break and enters this month is within the expected range.

Commercial Break and Enter

In February 2022, there were 38 break and enters to businesses, which is a 27 per cent increase from the previous month and is a 65 per cent increase from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of commercial break and enters this month is within the expected range.

Robbery

There were five robbery incidents in February 2022, which is half the number of incidents reported in the previous month and is down one incident from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of robberies this month is within the expected range.

Sexual Offences

In February 2022, there were 17 sexual offence files, which is up 31 per cent from previous month and is down 15 per cent from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of sexual offences this month is within the expected range.

Shoplifting

There were 71 reported shoplifting thefts in February 2022, which is a 65 per cent increase from the previous month and is a 22 per cent increase from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of shoplifting thefts this month is within the expected range.

The increased number of reported shoplifting thefts this month has been attributed to the Richmond RCMP and Metro Vancouver Transit Police joint project targeting property crime offenders, which was discussed in the Activities and Noteworthy Files section of this report.

Theft from Automobile

There were 96 theft from automobile incidents in February 2022, which is down 28 per cent from the previous month and down 21 per cent from February 2021. No patterns or trends have been identified. The number of thefts from automobiles this month is below the expected range.

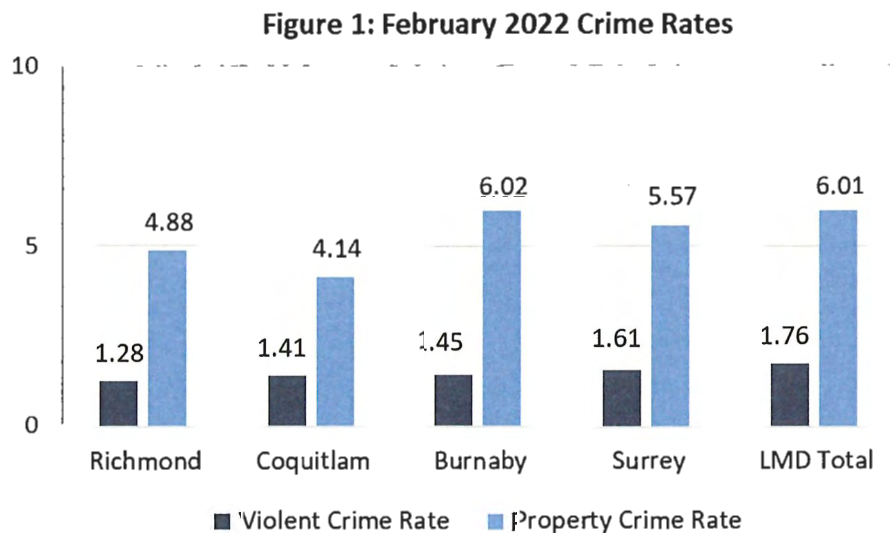
Hate Crimes and Incidents

Table 1 presents the number of hate crimes and hate incidents reported between January 1, 2018 and February 28, 2022.¹ A “hate crime” refers to any criminal offence targeting an identifiable group. The criteria for an offence to be considered a hate crime as per the *Criminal Code* carries a higher threshold and usually involves one or more criminal offences. A “hate incident” may be motivated by the same factors as a hate crime, but does not reach the threshold of being a criminal offence. The events reported this month were related to anti-Semitic graffiti and comments, which were racist and homophobic.

Table 1 – Hate Crimes and Hate Incidents			
Year	Hate Crime Files	Hate Incident Files	Total
2018	19	4	23
2019	11	9	20
2020	21	13	34
2021	19	29	48
2022	0	3	3

Crime Trends Across Jurisdictions

Data on crime rates is presented in Figure 1.² In February 2022, out of the four largest municipalities policed by the RCMP in the Lower Mainland District (LMD), Richmond had the lowest violent crime rate and the second-lowest property crime rate.



¹ The BC Hate Crimes Unit uses the terms hate-motivated crime and hate-motivated incident.

² Crime rate is calculated per 1,000 people.

Block Watch

At the end of February 2022, the Block Watch program had 300 groups totaling 6,962 participants. Currently, the program includes 427 captains and co-captains. This month, there were five virtual training sessions for captains and participants.

Community Police Station Programs

Community police stations enhance the Richmond RCMP Detachment's policing services by providing an array of crime prevention resources and community safety initiatives. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all three community police stations have been closed to the public since March 2020. Volunteer deployments resumed in June 2020, in accordance with the guidelines established by RCMP 'E' Division's Crime Prevention Services; however, the scope of volunteer activities has been limited. City staff and volunteers have continued to pursue safety initiatives to enhance crime prevention program awareness, community engagement and police accessibility.

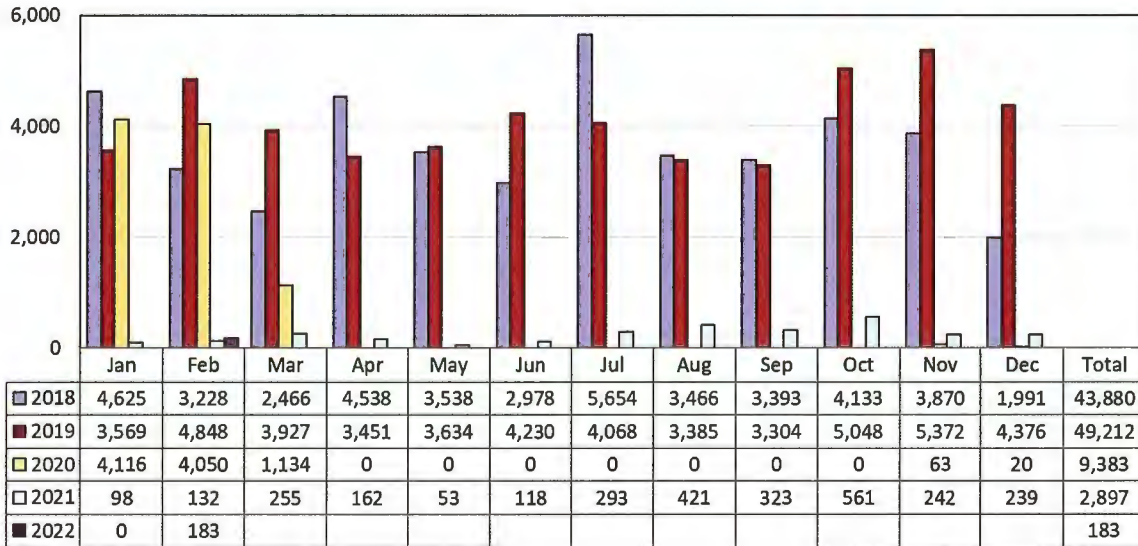
During the month of February, volunteer highlights included:

- The deployment of one volunteer bike patrol, totalling 12 hours.
- Four Lock Out Auto Crime deployments took place, which resulted in 183 information letters being distributed.
- Speed Watch was conducted on 108 vehicles and one information letter was issued.
- February 18-21 – A total of 18 volunteers assisted with the Youth Academy, including setting up for courses and being actors in different policing scenarios.
- February 23 – Volunteers assisted RCMP officers with Lock Out Auto Crime deployments in central Richmond. A total of 420 vehicles were checked and 63 information letters were issued to registered vehicle owners.
- February 23 and 24 – City staff provided refresher training to 16 volunteers, who will be resuming volunteer activities following a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Topics covered included crime prevention and road safety program overviews, in addition to deployment procedures.

Lock Out Auto Crime

Figure 2 provides a comparison by year of the number of vehicle notices issued.³

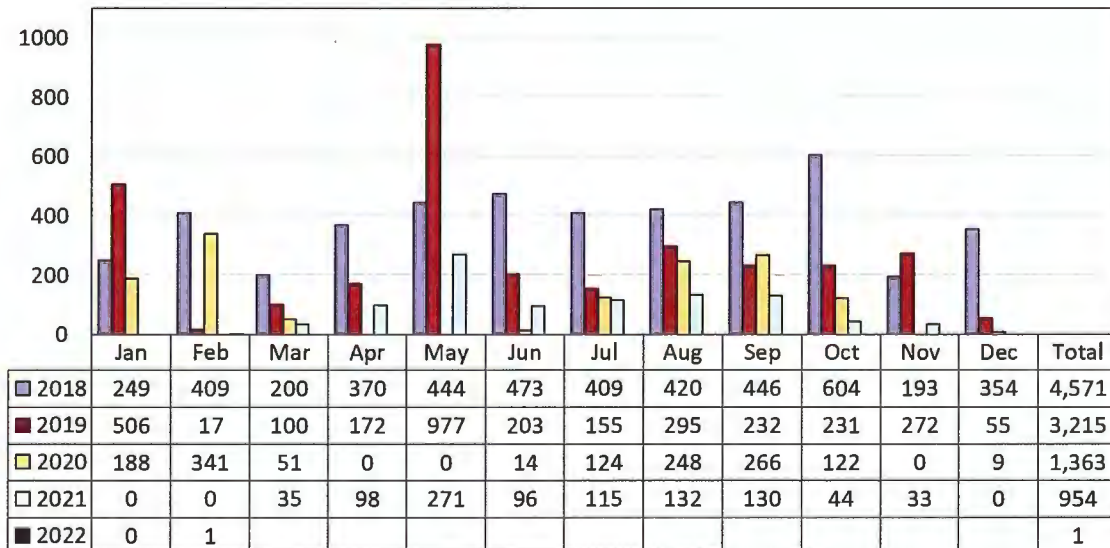
Figure 2: Lock Out Auto Crime Vehicles Issued a Notice



Speed Watch

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

Figure 3: Speed Watch Letters Sent



³ Beginning in November 2020, Lock Out Auto Crime letters were issued in place of notices due to COVID-19-related concerns. Letters are only issued to vehicles displaying security vulnerabilities; whereas previously, notices were issued to all vehicles. This has resulted in a significant reduction in the number of letters issued.

Crime Prevention Unit

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

- Business Outreach
- Community Foot Patrols
- Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives
- Pink Shirt Day
- Place of Worship Patrols
- SPICE Events

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. Table 2 compares statistics for February 2022 to both December 2021 and January 2022. Violation tickets were issued for the following infractions:

Table 2: Violation Tickets Issued

Infraction	December 2021	January 2022	February 2022
Distracted Driving	92	47	28
Driver License	145	115	85
Impaired	33	30	28
Intersection Offences	40	41	35
Moving Infractions ⁴	61	64	46
Speeding	113	134	126
Seatbelts	4	0	2
Vehicle Related ⁵	77	49	33
Other ⁶	4	9	5
Total	569	489	388

Victim Services

In February 2022, Richmond RCMP Victim Services met with 66 new clients and attended four crime/trauma scenes after hours. Victim Services reduced in-person client services in March 2020 and began offering services by phone but continue to attend some of the more serious calls in person. The unit currently maintains an active caseload of 130 files. In February, Victim Services responded to a number of cases involving medical-related sudden deaths, property crimes and mental health issues.

⁴ Moving infractions refers to unsafe lane change and unsafe passing.

⁵ Vehicle related refers to vehicle defects, for example no lights and no insurance.

⁶ Other refers to miscellaneous charges including failing to remain at the scene of an accident and failing to stop for police.

Youth Section

The Richmond RCMP 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 February, Youth Section highlights included:

- An RCMP officer in the Youth Section presented to three elementary schools on the role of police. These presentations provide students with an overview of how police officers keep communities safe.
- RCMP officers in the Youth Section conducted 29 proactive school visits at secondary schools and 41 visits at elementary schools. Police officers engaged with the students at recess and lunch, as well as during morning and afternoon supervision.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

In February 2022, the Richmond RCMP conducted a number of noteworthy investigations, including a joint operation with Metro Vancouver Transit Police targeting property crime offenders. Police statistics for this month indicate that most crime types were within the expected ranges, with the exception of theft from automobiles, which were below the expected range.

In February, the Richmond RCMP hosted its inaugural Youth Academy for high school students in grades 10 to 12 who have an interest in policing. In addition, the Community Engagement Team and volunteers continued to promote crime prevention and road safety initiatives. 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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- Att. 1: Community Policing Programs
- 2: Crime Statistics
- 3: Crime Maps

Auxiliary Constables

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

Block Watch

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

Distracted Driving Program

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

Fail to Stop

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

Lock Out Auto Crime

- Co-sponsored by the Insurance Corporation of BC (ICBC), volunteers patrol city streets and parking lots looking for automobile security vulnerabilities.
- Notices supplied by ICBC are issued to every vehicle inspected indicating to the owner what issues need to be addressed in order to keep the vehicle and contents secure.

- For more information, visit
- www.richmond.ca/safety/police/personal/vehicle.htm

Project 529

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

Speed Watch

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

Stolen Auto Recovery

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

Volunteer Bike and Foot Patrol Program

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

FEBRUARY 2022 STATISTICS

RICHMOND RCMP

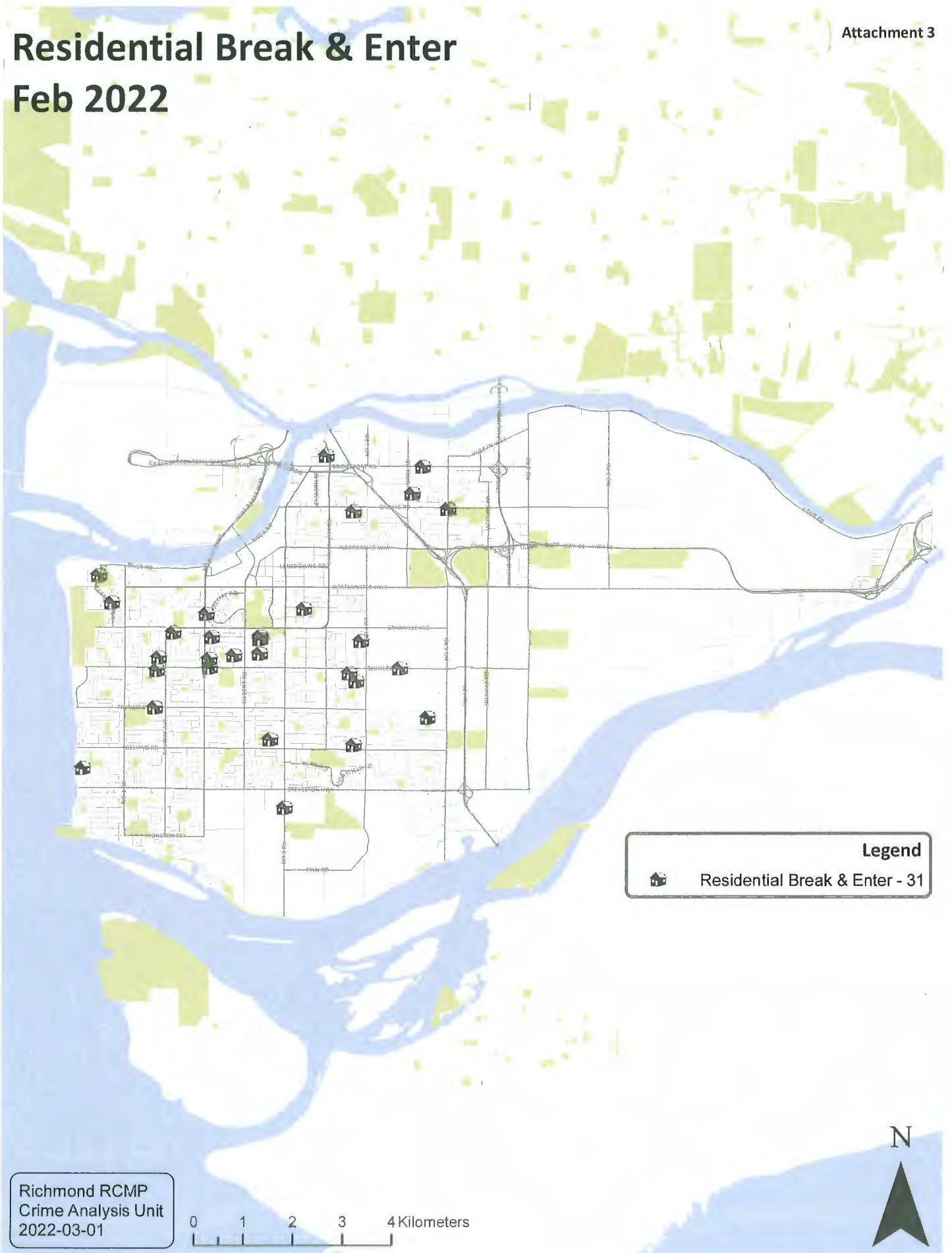
This chart identifies the monthly totals for founded Criminal Code incidents, excluding traffic-related Criminal Code incidents. Based on Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) scoring, there are three categories: (1) Violent Crime, (2) Property Crime, and (3) Other Criminal Code. Within each category, particular 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.

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**.

	Month	5-Yr Avg	5-Yr Range	Year to Date Totals			
	Feb-22	February		2021	2022	% Change	# Change
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	127	112.4	92-133	274	265	-3%	-9
Robbery <small>UCR 1610 (1-3)</small>	5	4.2	2-7	11	15	36%	4
Assault Common <small>UCR 1430</small>	41	42.2	35-50	93	82	-12%	-11
Assault Serious <small>UCR 1410, 1420</small>	11	6.8	5-9	26	29	12%	3
Sexual Offences <small>UCR 1947, 2410, 2436, 2410, 3430/55/56</small>	17	11.0	6-16	35	30	-14%	-5
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	498	590.8	536-646	1025	967	-6%	-58
Business B&E <small>UCR 2120-1</small>	38	33.2	20-47	43	68	58%	25
Residential B&E <small>UCR 2120-2</small>	31	58.6	39-78	67	62	-7%	-5
Auto Theft <small>UCR 2135 (1-10), 2178</small>	22	19.4	15-23	36	42	17%	6
Theft from Auto <small>UCR 2112, 2142</small>	96	163.6	139-188	256	230	-10%	-26
Theft <small>UCR 2130, 2140</small>	60	88.0	69-107	127	129	2%	2
Shoplifting <small>UCR 2152, 2143</small>	71	59.8	53-66	129	114	-12%	-15
Fraud <small>UCR 2160/2161, 2162, 2166</small>	70	70.6	64-77	141	123	-13%	-18
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	211	172.6	150-195	414	393	-5%	-21
Arson <small>UCR 1025, 1110</small>	1	1.8	0-4	9	6	-33%	-3
SUBTOTAL CC OFFENCES (UCR 1000 to 3000 Series)	837	875.8	845-907	1715	1627	-5%	-88
DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	36	50.0	33-67	74	51	-31%	-23
MHA RELATED CALLS (MHA files or Mental Health flag)	133	133.0	105-161	238	237	0%	-1

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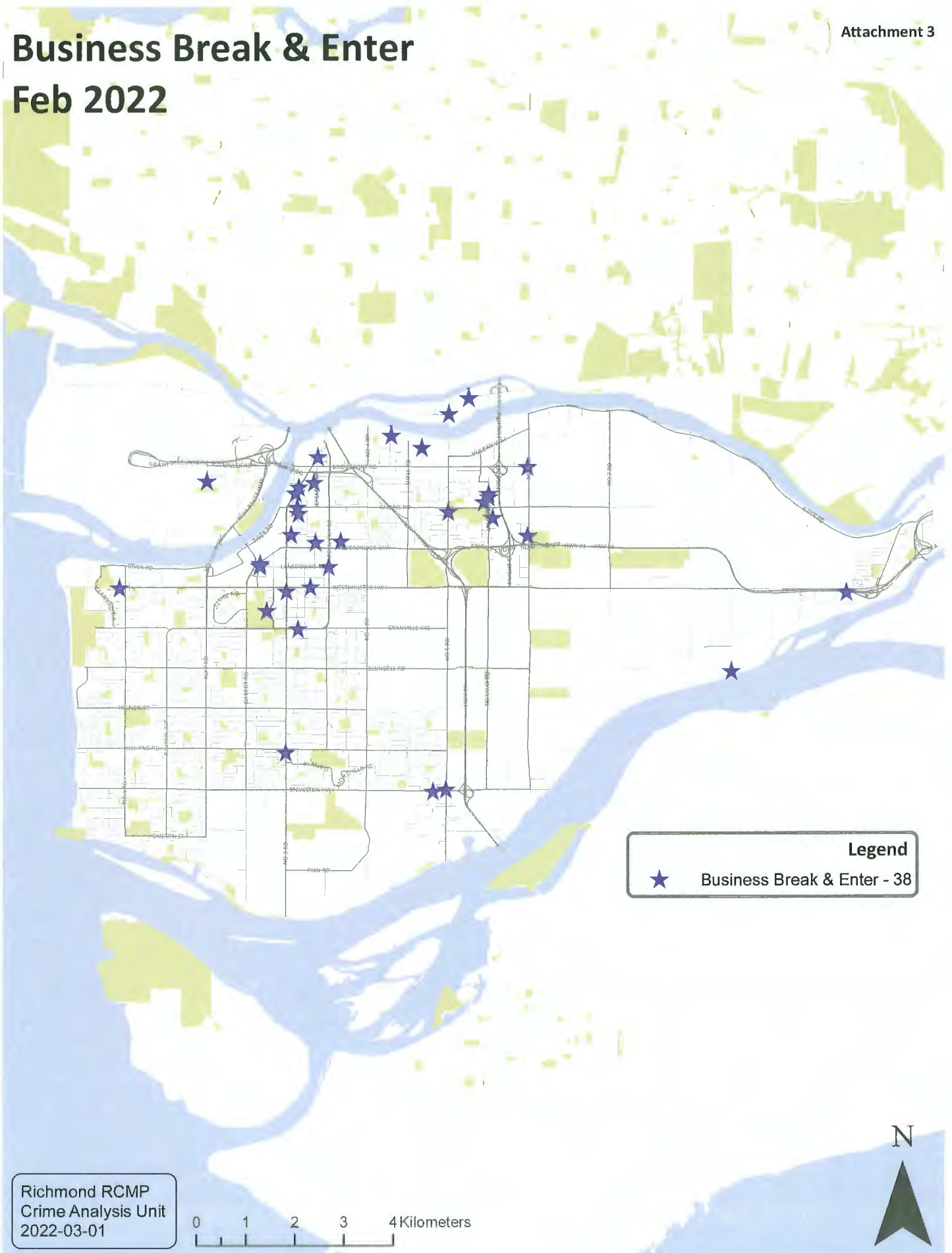
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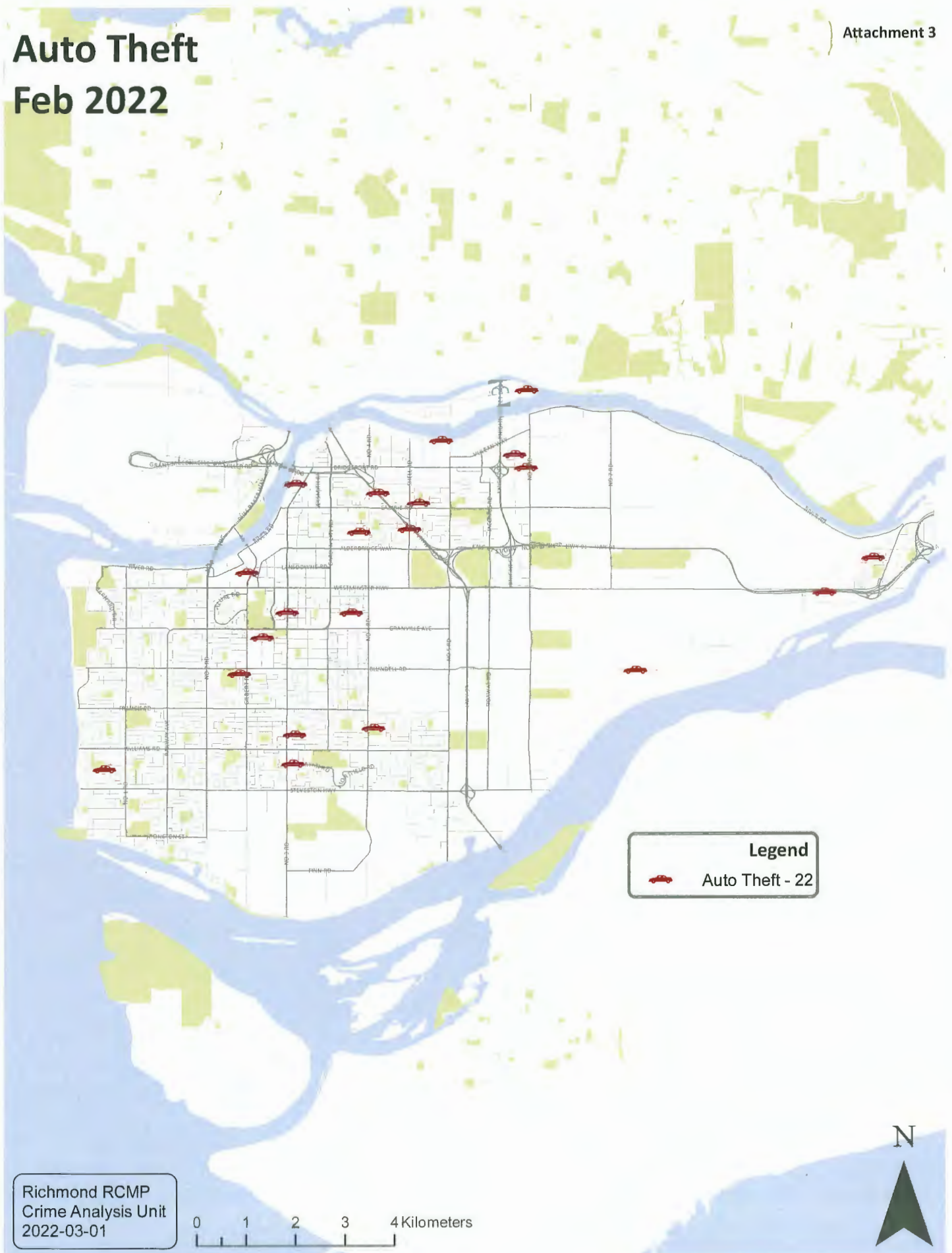
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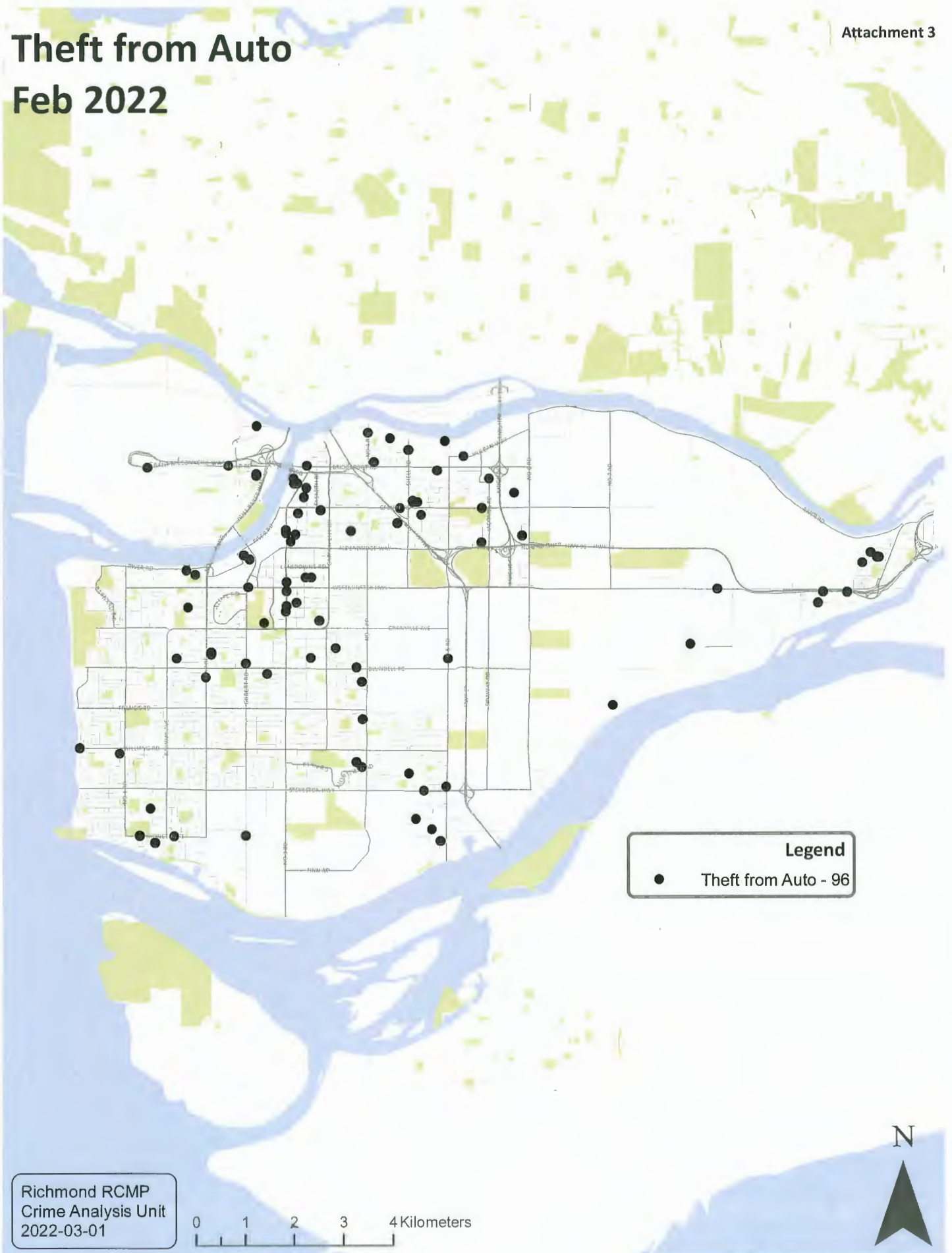
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Theft from Auto Feb 2022



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