

Community Safety Committee Electronic Meeting

Anderson Room, City Hall 6911 No. 3 Road Wednesday, October 15, 2025 4:00 p.m.

Pg. # ITEM

MINUTES

CS-4

Motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on September 9, 2025.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

November 12, 2025, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room.

DELEGATION

CS-8

1. Jane Lee, Proactive Road Safety Solutions Distributions (PRSSD), to share

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		LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION
	2.	COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – AUGUST 2025 (File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 8165399)
CS-15		See Page CS-15 for full report
		Designated Speaker: Mark Corrado
		STAFF RECOMMENDATION
		That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – August 2025", dated September 15, 2025, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.
	3.	RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVIY REPORT – AUGUST 2025 (File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 8158066)
CS-22		See Page CS-22 for full report
		Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Jim Wishlove
		STAFF RECOMMENDATION
		That the staff report titled "Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – August 2025", dated September 12, 2025, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.
	4.	FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING (Verbal Report)
		Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Jim Wishlove
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		Items for discussion:
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	Commu	nity Safety Committee Agenda – Wednesday, October 15, 2025
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	5.	RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVIY REPORT – AUGUST 2025 (File Ref. No. 09-5350-01) (REDMS No. 8130775)
CS-40		See Page CS-40 for full report
		Designated Speaker: Chief Supt. Dave Chauhan
		STAFF RECOMMENDATION
		That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report - August 2025", dated September 12, 2025, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.
	6.	RCMP/OIC BRIEFING (Verbal Report)
		Designated Speaker: Chief Supt. Dave Chauhan
		Items for discussion:
		None.
		COUNCILLOR KASH HEED
	7.	DISCUSSION ON UNSHELTERED SITES ON CROWN LAND (File Ref. No.) (REDMS No.)
	8.	MANAGER'S REPORT
		ADJOURNMENT





Community Safety Committee

Date:

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Place:

Anderson Room

Richmond City Hall

Present:

Councillor Andy Hobbs, Chair

Councillor Laura Gillanders (via teleconference)

Councillor Kash Heed Councillor Bill McNulty

Absent:

Councillor Alexa Loo

Also Present:

Councillor Michael Wolfe (via 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 July 15, 2025, be adopted.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

October 15, 2025, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room.

LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. BUSINESS LICENCE ACTIVITY REPORT – MID-YEAR (Q1 & Q2) UPDATE

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 8136470)

Community Safety Committee

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Business Licence Activity Report – Mid-Year (Q1 & Q2) Update", dated August 15, 2025, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.

CARRIED

2. COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – JUNE AND JULY 2025

(File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 8134115)

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – June and July 2025", dated August 15, 2025, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.

CARRIED

3. RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - JUNE AND JULY 2025

(File Ref. No. 09-5375-03) (REDMS No. 8140113)

In response to a query from Committee, staff advised that a memorandum with additional information on overdose trends can be provided.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – June and July 2025", dated August 11, 2025, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

Item for discussion:

Hazmat Response

In response to a query from Committee, staff advised that Richmond Fire-Rescue has trained personnel and sufficient equipment to respond to hazardous chemical incidents.

Community Safety Committee Tuesday, September 9, 2025

5. RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - JUNE AND JULY 2025

(File Ref. No. 09-5350-01) (REDMS No. 8135546)

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) the RCMP use a variety of tactics to monitor speeds, (ii) the public is encouraged to submit complaints directly to the RCMP to ensure sufficient data is collected to address issues, and (iii) it is uncommon for members to wait at the hospital for extended periods, as protocols are in place to ensure they return to duty in a timely manner.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report – June and July 2025", dated August 12, 2025, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.

CARRIED

6. RCMP/OIC BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

Items for discussion:

(i) Unlicensed Ride Hailing Court Disposition

Staff noted that the Road Safety Unit and the Airport Unit are actively addressing these issues, and that two recent cases have resulted in guilty pleas in court which will lead to criminal charges.

(ii) 4th Annual Youth Academy

Staff highlighted that 22 young people from grades 10-12 graduated from the 4th Annual Youth Academy with 1 female for the first time.

(iii) Richmond RCMP 75th Anniversary

Staff highlighted that the Richmond RCMP marked their 75th Anniversary this year.

(iv) Mobile Surveillance Trailer

In reply to queries from Committee, staff advised that a pilot project using a borrowed system from another municipality could be explored, and that a report with cost implications and a pilot project proposal would be brought back to Committee.

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

Unsightly Premise

In reply to a query from Committee, staff advised that Bylaws will be following up on the unsightly premises complaint.

Community Safety Committee Tuesday, September 9, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded *That the meeting adjourn (4:32 p.m.)*.

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, September 9, 2025.

Councillor Andy Hobbs Chair Sarah Goddard Legislative Services Associate

SEE to SAFETY

Smart Embedded Equipment to ensure SAFETY







 Low Mount Advanced
 Dual Projected
 LED Solar
 Variable Message
 Variable Speed Limit

 Road Lighting
 Crosswalk Lighting
 Road Stud
 Sign(VMS)
 Sign(VMSL)



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Low Mount Advanced Road Lighting

General

- Low mount road lighting, installed at the height of 1m
- Excellent visual guidance by highlighting road outlines
- Provides low glare and high visibility to drivers even in adverse weather conditions





Characteristics

The Safest Road Lighting System

- Provide a pleasant nighttime driving environment by minimizing glare and light pollution.
- Automatically switch to yellow-spectrum lighting in foggy conditions to enhance driver visibility.
 - Maintain high uniformity on wet road surfaces to ensure a safer driving environment.









through Eye-Level Installation Glare-Free Luminance

- Installed at a height of 1 meter, the light source is completely concealed, minimizing direct glare for drivers
- Mounting the luminaire close to the road surface enhances visual guidance by clearly highlighting road outlines, curves and elevation changes

Precision Light Distribution with Lens Technology

- A specially designed, patented lens provides a unique and uniform light distribution, ensuring optimal luminance
- The flat, square-bar optical system, without a bulky recessed reflector, delivers sharp and highly controlled light distribution

Energy and Cost Savings

Conventional Pole Type

LED Metal-Halid 50m

50m 200W

Installation Distance Power Consumption

Standards

- Energy savings of up to 50% compared to LED road lights(pole type) and 80% compared to metal-halide lamps(pole type)
- Direct and indirect cost savings from no need of high-work vehicles and traffic restrictions

400W

16W ВШ

Specification +

Solar-Powered Type	0.9 ~ 1.1m	2~3m	Zlanes	M3 ~ M5	w9 ~	260 x 210 x 160mm	0.65kg	Industrial Plastic	Capacitor Combined Battery	25W	10
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*Automatic convertible White-Amber series lamp for foggy weather is available for On-grid Type

10 years

Aluminum, PC

Material

Battery System Soloar Panel Life Time

Weight Size

LED Lamp*

740 x 74 x 76m

3.3kg

0.9 ~ 1.1m

On-Grid

Line Type

2lanes 8m

M1 ~ M3

Road Grade

Distance Height

Lanes

Installation Status





Gangneung, South Korea

Ansan, South Korea



Da Nang, Vietnam

Siem Reap, Cambodia

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Dual Projected Crosswalk Lighting

Prevents light pollution by eliminating unnecessary lighting and focusing on necessary areas

Minimizes glare for drivers and pedestrians through 4-phase asymmetric light distribution

Enhance vertical illumination to maximize visibility and pedestrian recognition

General

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Specification +

Performance	220V, 60Hz	M06	-30~20°C	65	50,000 hours	115lm/W	485x230x118(73), 6.2kg	Regularity operating	Light Source	60ea	5,700K	12	Frame Material	Aluminum	Stainless
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Installation Status

4-side asymmetric Reflector Attachment support Toughened Glass LED module Heat shield - Side Cover supporter SMPS 13

Cover

Direction Property and Illumination Scope

Dual-Projection Reflector Module

Characteristics

Two-way, Four-lane roads

Rear projection Predestrian Lighting



Two-way, Two-lane roads





Seoul, South Korea

Reflector LED 3,000 000'9

Cross-section of Lighting Luminaire

Crosswalk Lighting Distribution Concept

Front projection Crosswalk Lighting

Reflector

PRSS SS

LED Solar Road Stud

General

- Smart LED road stud offering excellent visibility at night and in adverse weather conditions
 - Designed for high energy efficiency and durability, suitable for various road environments
- Solar-powered system ensures sustainable, maintenance-friendly performance
- Enhances driver & pedestrian safety, contributing significantly to accident prevention





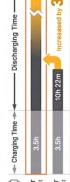


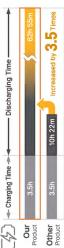
Characteristics

Superior Brightness, Durability, and Battery Life

- Compared to other products, our lighting intensity is improved by 25% in yellow mode and 42% in white mode
 - Certified for durability by passing IP68 testing, salt spray testing, and strength testing

 - Extended operational days reduce battery charge-discharge cycles, leading to increased battery lifespan





Design for Enhanced Durability and Efficiency

Certification Strength Test

Designed to direct light toward solar panels placeable Light Source Structure



Light source can be easily replaced after installation



- · Withstands 100 kN (10 tons)
- Separate structure for internal components and enclosure

Enhanced Battery Durability

Longer operational days extend battery lifespan

Aspherical Lens

- Optimized lens design improves light efficiency
- Increases brightness whiled reducing power consumption

Specification

LED Solar Road Stud	Aluminum and polycarbonate	Ф122.8 × 51.0mm	6 (front 3, back 3)	0.7kg	Lithium iron phosphate	IP68, Corrosion resistant	White, Yellow, Blue, Green, Red	62 hours of operation following a 3.5-hour charge
TED	Material	Size	LED quantity	Weight	Battery	Protection grade	Color	Charging

Installation Status

Red





Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam

Yeoncheon, South Korea





Yeosu, South Korea

Seoul-Yangyang Expressway, South Korea

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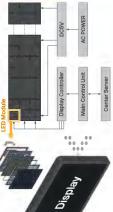
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Specification

Variable Message Sign (VMS)

General

- Intelligent traffic safety system with high-brightness LEDs delivers real-time traffic and weather updates
 - High-efficiency lenses enhance light output and display brightness for optimal visibility in all conditions
 - The system reduces energy consumption under the same luminance, offering an eco-friendly solution







LED Module Sealing

Full color LED

Pixel pitch

Module Handle Rear Sealing Rear

256

LED Count LED color

Size

300 x 300mm

16 x 16 dots

Dot Matric

LED Module



Sunlight Reduction Reflector



Full color white standard 20,000cd/m² and above

Brightness

Polycarbonate

Installation Status





Gumi, South Korea

Power Consumption Comparison at Constant Luminance (12,270cd/m²)

43

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Maximize energy saving effect through power consumption reduction

Foggy Weather (Left: Others, Right: Ours)

Clear Weather (Left: Others, Right: Ours)

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Achieve a 67.4% brightness increase at the same 43W power draw compared to other product

Deliver 12,270cd/m² luminance with 34.9% less energy consumption than other product

Luminance Comparison at Constant Power Consumption (43W)

Sunlight Reflection (Left: Others, Right: Ours)

Gyeongju, South Korea



Yangpyeong, South Kroea

Our Product

Other Product

Our Product

Other Product

34.9%

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Optimized without distortion or loss of light through double-sided aspherical high-efficiency lens to increase Maximize light efficiency and improve brightness to save energy and read traffic information from a distance

LED display brightness enhancement

brightness of display area

Characteristics

Preventing readability degradation attributable to sunlight reflection

Ensuring readability in foggy conditions through high-luminance lens

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Specification

Variable Speed Limit Sign (VSL)

General

- The variable speed limit sign adjusts speed limits in real time based on road and weather conditions
 - High-brightness lenses optimize LED light efficiency, enhancing luminance and visibility
- The system reduces energy consumption under the same luminance, offering an eco-friendly solution







LED Module Sealing High-Brightness Lens for Optimized Light Distribution LED Module Module Handle Rear Sealing Rear Sunlight • Reduction Reflector

Full color white standard 20,000cd/m² and above 600 x 800mm, 900 x 900n (Various sizes available) Steel, Powder coating Polycarbonate Full color LED 300 x 300mm 16 x 16 dots 256 Protection grade IPX5 Pixel pitch LED color LED Coun Brightness

Installation Status





Seohae Bridge, South Korea

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Gwangju, South Korea

Icheon, South Korea

Our Product

Other Product

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Report to Committee

To:

Community Safety Committee

Date: September 29, 2025

From:

Mark Corrado

File:

12-8375-02/2025-Vol

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Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing

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Re:

Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – August 2025

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – August 2025", dated September 29, 2025, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.

Mark Corrado

Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing

(604-204-8673)

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Staff Report

Origin

This monthly report highlights activities, information, and statistics related to calls for service from the Property Use, Parking Enforcement, and Animal Protection units of Community Bylaws.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area # 3 A Safe and Prepared Community:

- 3.2 Leverage strategic partnerships and community-based approaches for comprehensive safety services.
- 3.4 Ensure civic infrastructure, assets and resources are effectively maintained and continue to meet the needs of the community as it grows.

Analysis

Property Use Calls for Service

In August 2025, a total of 162 calls for service were opened for investigation, which represented a marginal increase (159) from the same period last year. Depending on the nature of the investigation, staff often liaise with multiple departments and other government agencies to conduct a through review of a received complaint. Among 24 potential calls for service categories, Figure 1 highlights the most common calls for service received for Property Use officers to follow up on and investigate.

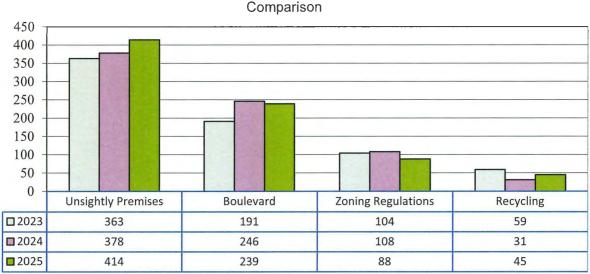


Figure 1: Property Use Calls For Service - August Year-To-Date

In August, there were 43 service calls on unsightly premises, mainly due to long grass and 33 service calls for sidewalk obstruction related to overgrowth of trees and hedges. Staff work with property owners to establish a timeline and set expectations for cleanup to ensure compliance. In most cases, voluntary compliance is achieved. When this does not occur, bylaw staff coordinate with public works to take remedial action and bill the costs to the property owner.

Other Community Bylaws Calls for Service

Figure 2 shows a three-year breakdown of other calls for service that are closely related to Property Use matters.

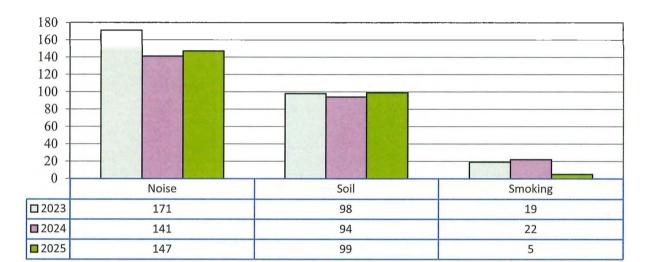


Figure 2: Property Use Calls For Service - August Year-To-Date Comparison

Soil Activity

Staff are responsible for responding to public complaints and issues of non-compliance related to unauthorized filling; monitoring permitted soil deposits and removal sites; and inspecting properties that are undergoing remediation to come into compliance with applicable City bylaws. For the month of August, staff conducted 109 site inspections. This increase in monthly inspections is due to the addition of a second Soil Bylaw Officer hired in July. The expanded team has improved enforcement capacity and allowed staff to respond more quickly and consistently to complaints and non-compliance issues.

Stop Work and/or Removal Orders issued for the following properties:

- 8611 No. 6 Road
- 10291 Bird Road
- 10297 Bird Road

- 10520 Blundell Road
- 11520 Granville Avenue
- 12580 Westminster Highway

The following properties are now in compliance:

- 8451 No. 5 Road
- 8611 No. 6 Road
- 7651 No. 5 Road

- 10520 Blundell Road
- 11520 Granville Avenue

There are approximately 29 soil deposit proposals under various stages of the application process and staff continue to monitor 25 approved sites. Staff are currently addressing approximately 47 properties that are considered to be in non-compliance.

Bylaw Prosecutions

No new bylaw charges were sworn in the month of August.

Parking Enforcement

In August, staff responded to 451 service calls, representing a 4.6 percent increase from the same period last year (431 calls). Parking enforcement revenue also increased by 34.5 percent, alongside a 45.2 percent rise in parking violations compared to last year. This growth can be attributed in part to the hiring of three new auxiliary officers, who have helped meet the rising demand for service. In addition, seven bylaw officers completed bike training, enabling bike patrols to become a more visible and effective component of community engagement. These staffing additions and training initiatives are essential for managing the growing workload while ensuring consistent service levels across the community.

Monthly parking enforcement revenue is highlighted in Figure 3. Figure 4 highlights the monthly parking violation issuance



Figure 3: Parking Enforcement Revenue Comparison (000's)

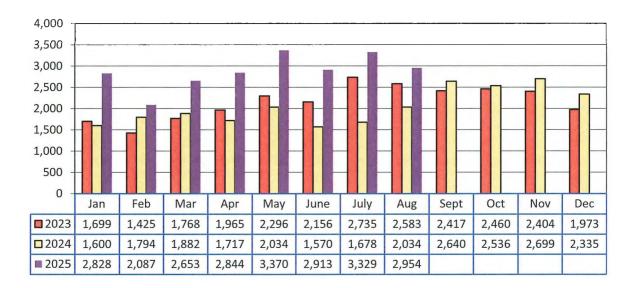


Figure 4: Parking Violation Issuance Comparison

Animal Protection and Dog Licencing

As of August 31, 2025, approximately 6,487 valid dog licences were issued, representing 86 percent of the 7,500 licences on file as of last year. A total of 111 dog licences were issued this month. BC SPCA Officers responded to 195 calls for service related to animal control and dog licencing violations in August, bringing the total number of year-to-date calls to 821. Officers conducted 35 park patrols across various parks, dikes, and school grounds. The top patrolled parks in August were Steveston Park, Garry Point Park, and Thomas Kidd School.

In addition to enforcement actions, these patrols serve an educational purpose by increasing awareness and compliance. In collaboration with the Parks Department, staff are reviewing hotspot parks and school grounds to assess options for improving signage. Staff will continue to monitor patrol activity and adjust deployment to focus on areas with the highest demand.

Ticketing

Table 1 reflects non-parking related Bylaw ticket issuance for the month of August.

Table 1: Community Bylaw Offences

Ticket Issuance (BVN's & MTI's)		August	YTD
Zoning Offences		37	47
Soil Deposit and Removal Offences		30	97
Unsightly Premises Offences		8	88
Building Regulation Offences		8	60
Animal / Dog Licencing Offences		4	101
Noise Offences		4	7
Watering Offences		2	3
Sign Offences		1	26
Watercourse Protection Offences		0	2
Regulation of Materials on Highway Offences		0	4
Demolition Waste and Recyclable Materials Offences		0	2
Solid Waste and Recycling Offences		0	0
Parks Offences		0	0
	Totals	94	437

Bylaw Adjudication

An adjudication hearing was held on September 17, 2025. During August, a total of 3,048 violation notices were issued. The adjudicator reviewed 20 disputed tickets, upholding 12 violation notices and dismissing 8. All tickets reviewed related to parking violations.

Revenue and Expenses

Revenues across Property Use, Parking Enforcement, and Animal Services continue to reflect seasonal activity patterns and targeted enforcement efforts. In Property Use, soil permit applications and volume fees tend to peak during Q2 and Q3, contributing to higher revenue during the summer construction season. Parking Enforcement revenue remains driven by the City's pay parking program, supported by steady ticketing activity and monthly permits. Animal Services revenue is supported by the dog licensing program, with increased compliance resulting from prior years' proactive account audits and canvassing initiatives.

On the expense side, costs are primarily related to staffing, enforcement activities, and program administration. Seasonal enforcement demands, public education campaigns, and operational requirements for animal care also contribute to fluctuations in expenses throughout the year. Table 2 outlines the net revenue and expenses for property use, parking enforcement and animal protection services.

Table 2: Property Use, Parking and Animal Protection Services Revenue and Expenses

		YTD Budget August 2025	YTD Actual August 2025
Property Use	Revenue ¹	\$364,629	\$175,991
	Expenses	\$1,275,927	\$861,720
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(\$911,298)	(\$685,729)
Parking	Revenue ²	\$1,496,800	\$1,847,307
	Expenses	\$1,371,734	\$1,351,417
	Net Revenue (Expense)	\$125,066	\$495,890
Animal Protection	Revenue ³	\$263,140	\$273,524
	Expenses	\$987,733	\$940,340
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(\$724,593)	(\$666,816)

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Staff and contracted service providers administer and enforce 41 unique bylaws, covering a diverse range of various regulated community activities and service use, notably land use, noise, soil deposit/removal, short-term rentals, parking permits and enforcement, unsightly premises and animal protection services. This report provides a summary of departmental activity in August.

Mark Corrado

Director, Community Bylaws and Licencing

(604-204-8673)

¹ Property Use Revenue is primarily generated from soil permit applications and volume fees, property related bylaw tickets and court fines from bylaw prosecutions.

² Parking Enforcement revenue is largely derived from parking meters, monthly parking permits, and ticketing activity.

³ Animal Services revenue comes from the dog licencing fees and animal control-related tickets.



Report to Committee

To:

Community Safety Committee

Date:

September 12, 2025

From:

Jim Wishlove

File

09-5140-01/2025-Vol

Fire Chief

Re:

Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report - August 2025

Staff Recommendation

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Jim Wishlove Fire Chief

(604-303-2715)

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

Staff Report

Origin

This report highlights activities, information, and statistics related to calls for service and community initiatives by Richmond Fire-Rescue in August 2025.

This monthly report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #3, A Safe and Prepared Community:

Community safety and preparedness through effective planning, strategic partnerships and proactive programs.

Analysis

Significant Events

Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR) emergency response crews minimized harm, limited damage and stopped fire spread from the point of origin, and performed life-saving interventions in these notable August 2025 incidents¹:

Vessel Fire on Shell Road

On August 3, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to a boat fire in a parking lot in the 1100 block of Dyke Road. The first arriving crew found a fully involved 25-foot boat on a trailer with the towing vehicle already unattached and out of the way. Crews quickly extinguished the fire. A Fire Investigator attended to search for the cause and origin of the fire.

Fatality on No. 7 Road

On August 8, 2025, RFR emergency crews, along with Richmond RCMP and the BC Coroners Service, attended an incident involving an unknown substance and a self-inflicted fatality. All necessary safety precautions were incorporated into the incident action plan to ensure the protection of first responders.

Gas Leak on Barnard Drive

On August 14, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to a townhouse complex on Barnard Drive, where a vehicle had struck a gas meter bank. RFR crews evacuated several of the townhomes to ensure the safety of the immediate community. Crews, along with the assistance of the RCMP, closed Barnard Drive, and Fortis Gas attended. Once the gas issue was resolved, on-scene crews coordinated with the RCMP to reopen Barnard Drive. In total, there were approximately 70 homeowner units affected. Once the issue was resolved, crews ensured the atmosphere was safe using air monitoring equipment. All residents returned safely to their homes.

 $^{^{1}}$ Unless otherwise noted, no injuries were reported by the public or RFR personnel in the listed incidents. $_{8158066}$

Gas Leak on Bridgeport Road

On August 16, 2025, RFR emergency crews attended an industrial site for a significant natural gas leak. All workers had been evacuated from the site, and the road network around the area was closed to minimize any ignition risk. RCMP attended the scene to assist with the road closures and resident safety. Works Yard crews attended and assisted with barricades to keep the public at a safe distance. RFR on-site incident command liaised with Fortis Gas to monitor the air quality in the immediate area as well as manage the necessary repairs and mitigation.

Structure Fire on River Drive

On August 21, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to a structure fire on River Drive. On arrival, crews saw black smoke from the fifth floor of a building and declared a working fire. Crews attacked and quickly extinguished the fire. Crews then checked for any fire extension and began overhauling the fire area. The units adjacent to the fire suite sustained some water damage. Emergency Support Services were deployed, and two RFR-Emergency Programs team members, along with three Canadian Red Cross volunteers, attended the site to complete a needs assessment with the impacted residents. There were four units affected with six adults, of which only one required overnight accommodation. A Fire Investigator attended.

Emergency Response

Table 1 provides incident data for August 2024 and August 2025. In August 2025, there were 1,098 reported incidents of all types, representing an overall decrease of eight per cent compared to the previous year.

Table 1: Total Incidents - Augu	ıst 2025	<u> </u>			
	Incident Totals August (2025)	Incident Totals August (2024)	Number Change from August 2024 to 2025		5 Year Average for August
Active Alarm	171	188	-17	-9	163
Explosion	0	0	0	0	1
Fire	56	52	+4	+8	56
Hazardous Materials	7	7	0	0	9
Medical	556	649	-93	-14	545
Motor Vehicle Incident	65	84	-19	-23	78
Public Hazard	14	12	+2	+17	10
Public Service	104	121	-17	-14	108
Response Cancelled/Unfounded	118	80	+38	+48	79
Specialized Transport	6	2	+4	+200	4
Technical Rescue	1	0	+1	+100	0
Total	1,098	1,195	-97	-8	1054

The average time on scene in August 2025 for emergency response crews was 29 minutes per event, which is lower than the number recorded in August 2024: 32 minutes. The time spent on the scene can vary due to the nature and severity of each incident.

In August 2025, there were 56 fire incidents reported to the BC Office of the Fire Commissioner, which is eight per cent higher than the number reported in August 2024. The average number of fires reported each August over the last five years is 56.

Fire damage and property losses during August 2025 are estimated at \$54,750. The total building/asset and content value at risk is estimated to be \$3,036,420, and the total value preserved from damage was \$2,981,670. These numbers translate to 98 per cent of value protected (Table 2), which is one per cent lower than the value observed in 2024.

Table 2: Fire Incidents	By Type a	nd Loss Estin	nates - Augus	st 2025		
Incident Type Breakdown	Incident Volume	Estimated Building/ Asset Value (\$)	Estimated Building/ Asset Loss (\$)	Estimated Content Value (\$)	Estimated Content Loss (\$)	Estimated Total Value Preserved (\$)
Single Family Residence	1	_	-	_	_	-
Multi-Family Residence	7	245,000	-	171,420	-	416,420
Commercial/Industrial	4	458,000	6,000	320,000	1,200	770,800
Outdoor	37	1,057,950	14,050	732,550	_	1,776,450
Vehicle/Vessel	7	51,500	33,500	-	_	18,000
Totals ²	56	1,812,450	53,550	1,223,970	1,200	2,981,670

RFR Public Outreach & Education

During August, RFR staff conducted the following public outreach and education activities:

- On August 7, 9, 12 and 30, Fire Hall and vehicle tours for four organizations, with over 100 attendees.
- On August 1, 2, 29 and 30, RFR set up the Big Rig and information booths in collaboration with the City Parks Department for Play Days. Families learned about fire safety, the fire department, and had a chance to sit on the fire truck. Over 700 attendees participated.
- On August 15, RFR set up an education booth at the end of summer Cambie Community Centre Carnival, with a focus on seeing what a firefighter looks like in full gear, testing smoke alarms and creating home escape plans. Due to rain, engagement was set up inside the community centre along with many other community departments and associations. Over 300 attendees participated in the event.

² 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). Values under a threshold limit of \$1,000 will not be noted in the table.

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• On August 23 and 24, RFR used the Big Rig to help the community stay cool during the Maritime Festival. With limited places to get out of the heat, RFR staff sprayed water from the top of the ladder and created a temporary spray park. Everyone, from staff and volunteers to attendees and passers-by, was very thankful for the display of water during this extremely hot weekend. Over 4,000 attendees participated in the event.

Emergency Programs

Emergency Programs staff participated in the following engagement activities in August:

- On August 20, conducted an Emergency Operations Centre setup exercise for the City's Emergency Operations Centre at City Hall.
- On August 23 and 24, supported the City's Major Events team and Green Team, Environmental Services, with radios and batteries for the Maritime Festival. Over 82 radios and 100 batteries were used to support the City's event teams from the Emergency Programs-Radio Loans Program.
- On August 23 and 24, supported the Safety and Security of the Maritime Festival event in both planning and execution for the event.
- On August 24, provided a presentation at the Oval Community Day, where attendees were encouraged to sign up for Richmond BC Alert, and Prepared BC guides were provided with information about emergency preparedness at an information booth.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Richmond Fire-Rescue continues to monitor activities to identify and create public outreach programs to respond to emerging trends and to promote effective prevention behaviours.

Jim Wishlove

Fire Chief

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Att. 1: Emergency Response Activity for August 2025.

Emergency Response Activity for August 2025

Incident Volumes

The following chart provides a month-to-month comparison of incidents occurring in August 2024 and 2025. In August 2025, there were 1,098 total incidents, compared to 1,195 in August 2024. This represents an overall decrease of 8 per cent between last year and 2025.

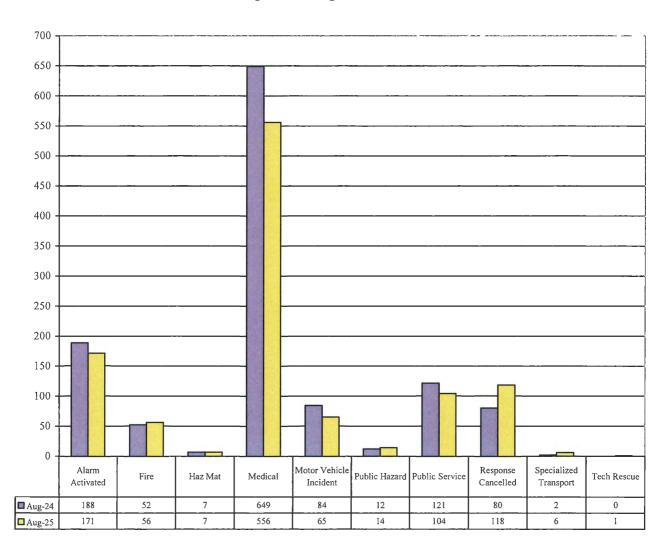


Table 3: August 2024 & August 2025 Incident Volumes

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: 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 51 per cent of the total emergency responses for RFR during August 2025. A detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for August 2024 and 2025 is set out in the following table by sub-type. There were 556 medical incidents in August 2025 compared to 649 in August 2024, a decrease of 14 per cent.

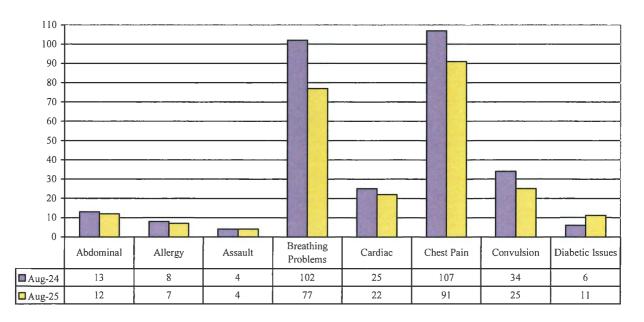
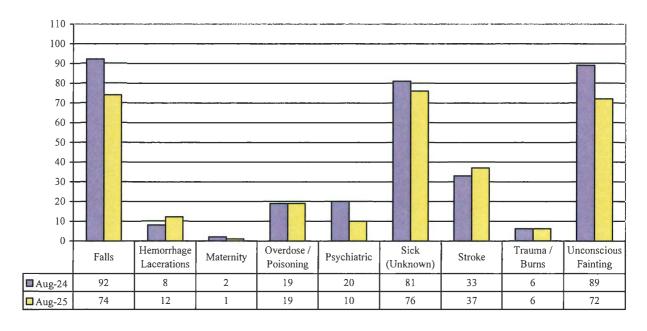


Table 4a: August 2024 & August 2025 Medical Calls by Type





<u>Overdoses</u>

The following chart provides the overdose/poisoning incident volume breakdown for August 2025. During August 2025, RFR staff did not administer Naloxone to any patients.

Table 4c: Overdose / Poisoning Incidents By Type – August 2025	
Opioids	1
Alcohol	8
Medications	2
Unknown (no patient contact / refusal of treatment)	5
Other drug types (eg. Marijuana)	3
Totals	19

Fire Investigations

The fire investigation statistics for August 2025 are listed below:

Table 5: Total Fire Investigation Statistics – August 2025			
	Suspicious	Accidental	Undetermined
Residential - Single-family	-	1	-
Residential - Multi-family	-	6	1
Commercial/Industrial	-	4	-
Outdoor	14	19	4
Vehicle	-	5	2
Totals	14	35	7

Richmond Fire-Rescue investigators report all suspicious fires to the RCMP, while working alongside RCMP to address potential risks to the community and coordinate appropriate fire investigations.

Hazardous Materials

Table 6: Hazardous Materials Incidents By Type – August 2025	
	Details
Gasses (Natural / Propane)	5
Hazardous Materials - Unclassified	2
Totals	7

The following charts provide total incident volumes for fires, medical, motor vehicle, and overdose/poisoning incidents on a year-to-year comparison in August including year averages from 2016 to 2024.

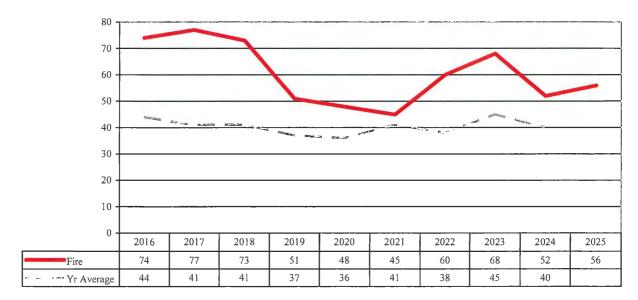
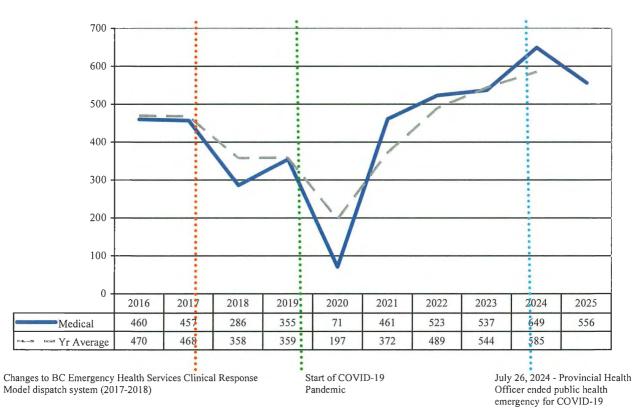


Table 7a: Total Fire Calls for Service in August and year averages from 2016 to 2025





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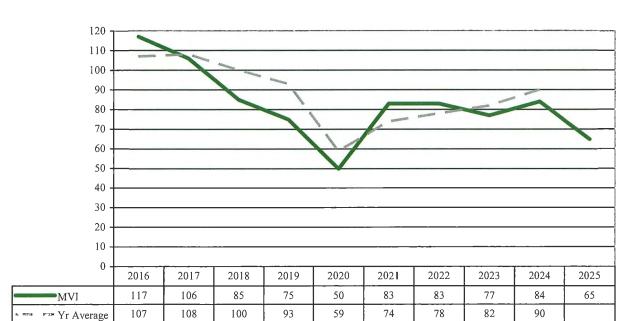
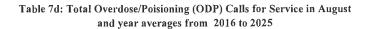
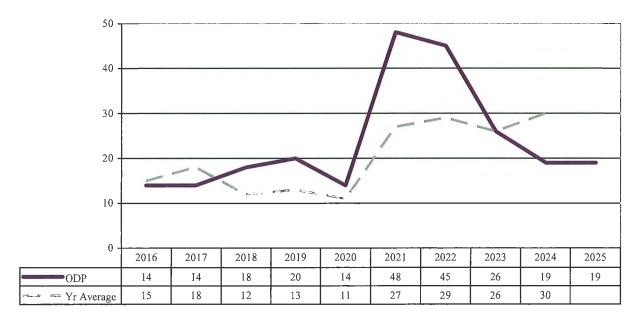


Table 7c: Total Motor Vehicle Incident (MVI) Calls for Service in August and year averages from 2016 to 2025





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Figure 1: Location of reportable fire incidents attended in August 2025 (total 56)

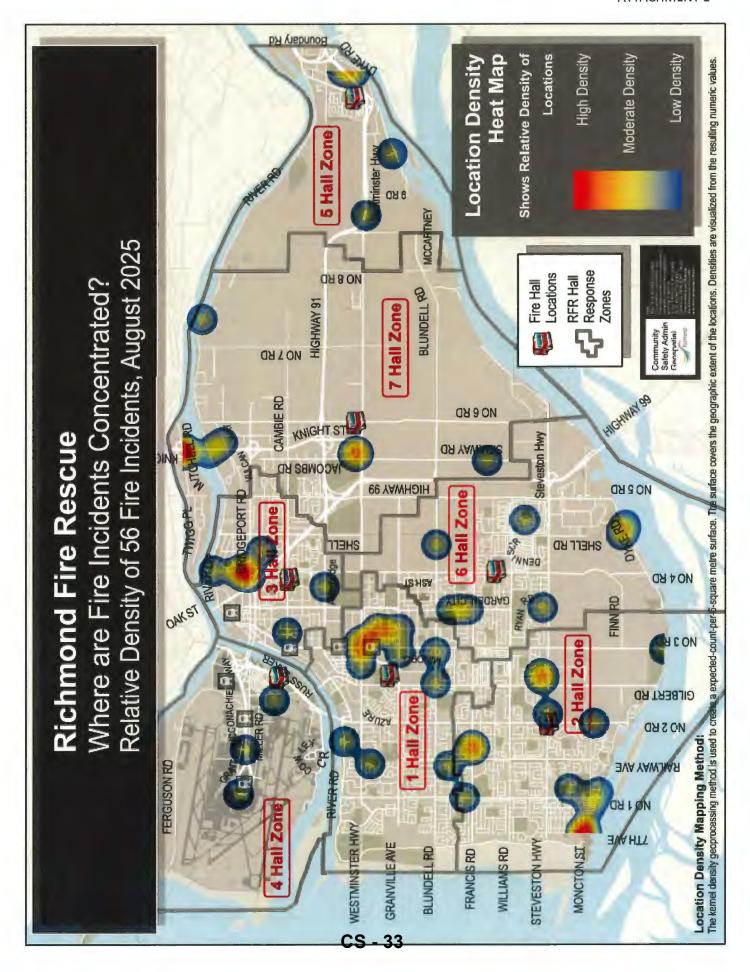
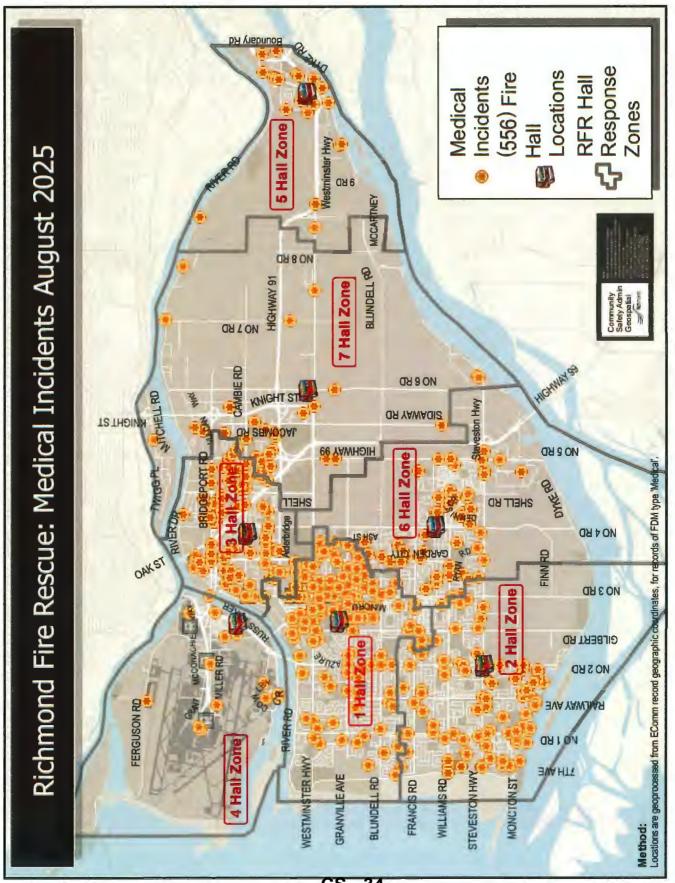
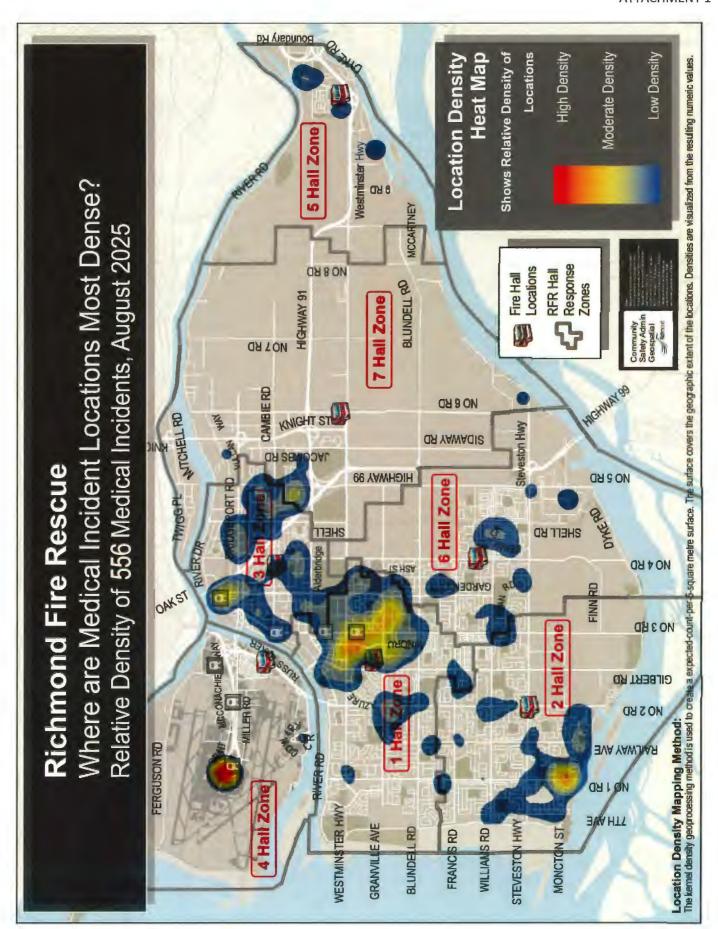


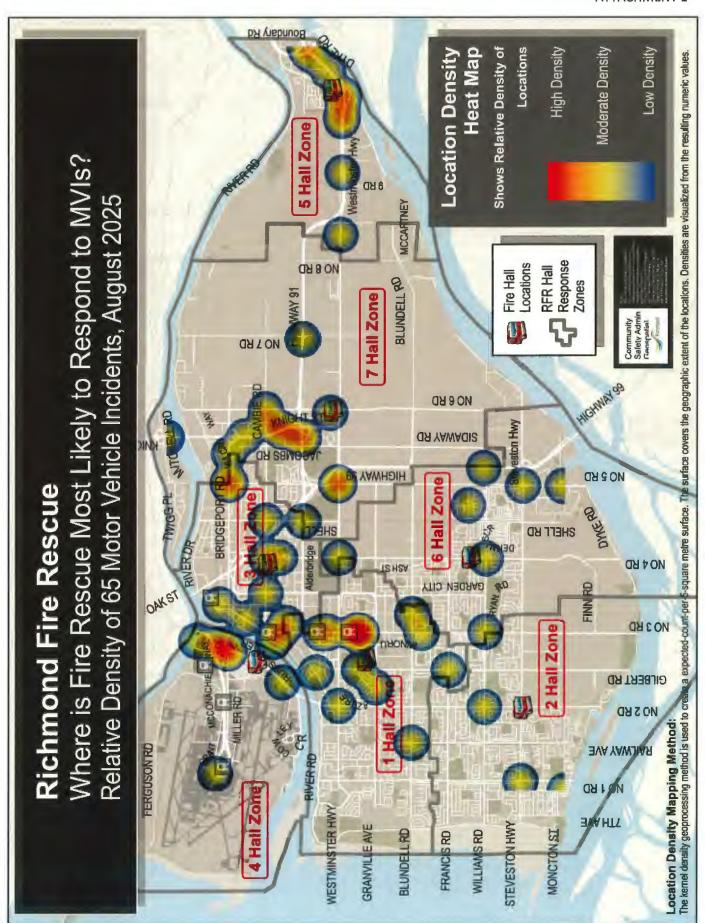
Figure 2: Location of reportable medical incidents attended in August 2025 (total 556)





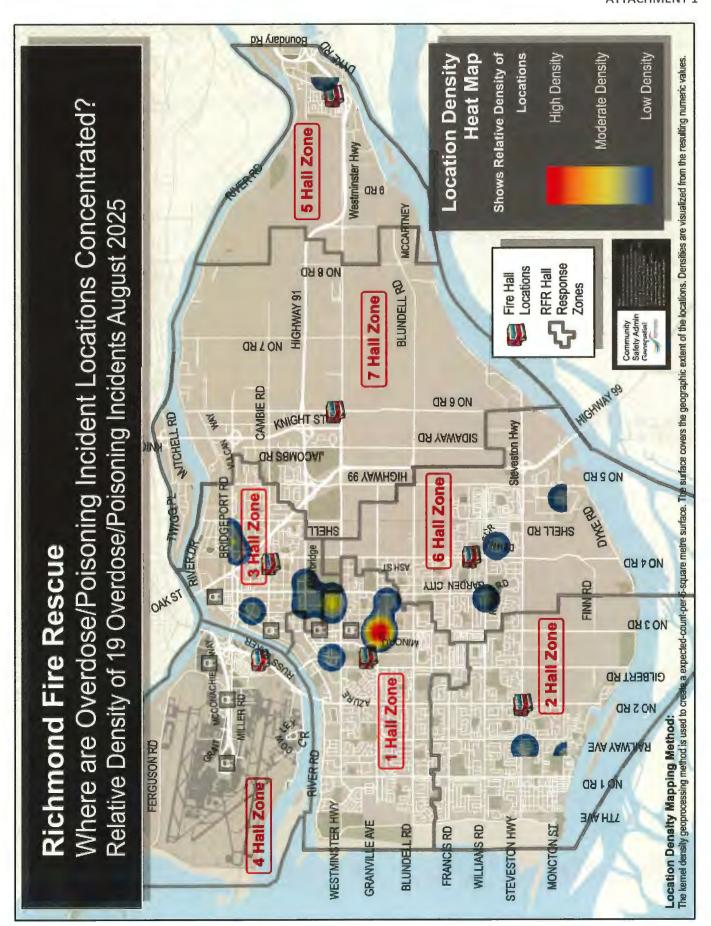
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Figure 3: Location of reportable motor vehicle incidents (MVIs) attended in August 2025 (total 65)



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Figure 4: Location of reportable overdose / poisoning incidents attended in August 2025 (total 19)





Report to Committee

To:

Community Safety Committee

Date:

September 12, 2025

From:

Dave Chauhan

Chief Superintendent, Officer in Charge

File:

09-5350-01/2025-Vol

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Re:

RCMP Monthly Activity Report – August 2025

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report – August 2025", dated September 12, 2025, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.

Dave Chauhan

Chief Superintendent, Officer in Charge

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Staff Report

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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. Communications Unit
- 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 2022-2026 Focus Area #3: A Safe and Prepared Community:

Community safety and preparedness through effective planning, strategic partnerships and proactive programs.

Analysis

Activities and Noteworthy Files

Bank Card Scam

On August 6, 2025, the Richmond RCMP issued a public warning of a recent bank card scam, with 11 similar incidents reported since April 2025, resulting in \$53,000 in losses. In all instances, the victims were contacted by phone by individuals posing as bank employees. The fraudsters convinced victims to provide their personal information by telling them that their bank cards had been compromised.

Assault with a Weapon

On August 13, 2025, Richmond RCMP officers responded to a report of an assault with a weapon at a shopping centre parkade on No. 3 Road, between Park Road and Cook Road. Police arrested the suspect without incident. The victim was transported to the hospital in stable condition. Police determined the incident was targeted, and the investigation is ongoing.

Youth Academy

The Richmond RCMP held its fourth annual Youth Academy between August 11 and 16, 2025. The program, which is jointly coordinated with the Richmond School District, offers students in grades 10 to 12 who have expressed an interest in a career in policing the opportunity to participate in an intensive program in a controlled environment. Participants modelled police work through classroom lectures and scenario-based training, and engaged with police officers from various specialized sections, including the Emergency Response Team.



Figure 1: Youth Academy

Arson

On August 17, 2025, the Richmond RCMP responded to a fire outside a store in the 8300 block of Granville Avenue following a report from a store employee. Richmond-Fire-Rescue attended and extinguished the fire. A person of interest was identified, and the incident remains under investigation.

Rental Scam

On August 22, 2025, the Richmond RCMP issued a media release warning the public of a recent rental deposit scam in which victims paid a deposit to secure a property and later learned it was unavailable. Since July 2025, police have received five similar reports, with losses ranging from \$400 to \$2,600. The incidents remain under investigation.

Analysis of Police Statistics1

Arson

There were eight reported arsons in August 2025, representing no change from the previous month. Year to date, arsons are down 22 per cent compared to the same period in 2024.²

Assault Serious (Assault with a Weapon)

There were 19 serious assaults in August 2025, representing no change from the previous month. Year to date, the number of serious assaults is up three per cent from the same period in 2024. The number of serious assaults this month is within the average range.

¹ Unless otherwise noted, no patterns or trends have been identified in this month's statistics.

² In January 2024, a new Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (UCR) code was introduced for intentionally set fires that do not meet the *Criminal Code* definition of Arson. This new UCR code prevents comparison to multi-year arson counts and averages.

Thirty-two per cent of serious assaults reported in August 2025 were domestic incidents. Three of the incidents reported this month involved a group of youth throwing water balloons at people passing by. Suspects have not been identified.

Auto Theft

There were 13 auto thefts in August 2025, which is a 43 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, auto thefts are down 17 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of auto thefts this month is below the average range.

Mental Health

There were 281 mental health-related incidents in August 2025, which is a four per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, mental health-related incidents are up nine per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of mental health-related incidents this month is above the average range.

There were 66 police apprehensions, and the average hospital wait time was 132 minutes; both statistics are within the average ranges. Twenty-nine individuals were responsible for two or more calls in August, with one caller generating seven incidents.

Residential Break and Enter

There were 19 break and enters to residences in August 2025, which is a five per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, residential break and enters are down eight per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of residential break and enters this month is within the average range.

Commercial Break and Enter

In August 2025, there were 28 break and enters to businesses, which is a 27 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, commercial break and enters are up 18 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of commercial break and enters this month is within the average range.

Robbery

Three robberies were reported in August 2025, which represents a decrease of one incident from the previous month. Year to date, robberies are down 20 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of robberies this month is below the average range.

All three incidents reported this month involved the use of physical force.

Sexual Offences

There were 25 sexual offence files in August 2025, representing no change from the previous month. Year to date, sexual offences are down three per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of sexual offences this month is above the average range.

Twenty per cent of the offences reported in August 2025 were sexual assaults, 20 per cent were indecent acts/exposing, and 15 per cent were sexual interference.

Shoplifting

There were 135 reported shoplifting thefts in August 2025, which is a six per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, shoplifting thefts are down 15 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of shoplifting thefts this month is above the average range.

Theft from Automobile

There were 56 thefts from automobiles in August 2025, which is a 26 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, the number of thefts from automobiles is unchanged compared to the same period in 2024. The number of thefts from automobiles this month is below the average range.

Drugs

In August 2025, there were 27 drug offences, which is a 35 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, drug offences are up 23 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of drug incidents this month is below the average range.

Drug-Related "Social Disorder" Calls

Public complaints related to drug use fall under call categories such as nuisance, cause disturbance, mischief, unwanted person, suspicious person, and check well-being. Table 1 presents the number of police calls for service related to a public complaint of suspected drug use.

Table 1: Drug-Related Calls for Service

Month	Total Number of Drug-	Suspected	Confirmed		
	Related Calls				
January	71	42	29		
February	38	23	15		
March	49	31	18		
April	58	41	17		
May	57	36	21		
June	70	44	26		
July	40	20	20		
August	59	44	15		

Confirmed incidents refer to files where direct observation of drug use or apparent signs of intoxication is noted. Most calls involved incidents where drug use was suspected, including reports of unwanted persons who were possibly under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Crime Trends Across Jurisdictions

Figure 2 presents crime rates in August 2025 for the four largest municipalities in the Lower Mainland District (LMD), which the RCMP polices.³ The property and violent crime rates in Richmond were below the LMD average.

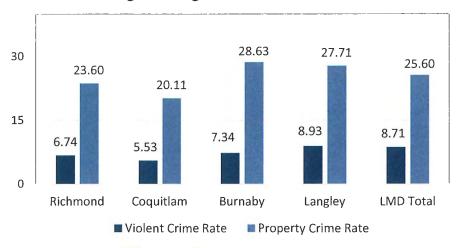


Figure 2: August 2025 YTD Crime Rates

Block Watch

At the end of August 2025, the Block Watch program had 301 groups, totalling 6,705 participants. Currently, the program includes 423 captains and co-captains. On August 2, 2025, Block Watch staff provided training to new group participants, including program expectations, how to identify suspicious activities, and target hardening.

Communications Unit

The Communications Unit provides public safety and crime prevention messaging to enhance community awareness of various policing-related issues. During August, the Communications Unit conducted the following:

- An education campaign for Impaired Driving Awareness continued throughout the summer months.
- 14 media releases were issued, including four related to missing persons.
- 36 social media posts were made on X, including fraud prevention messaging.

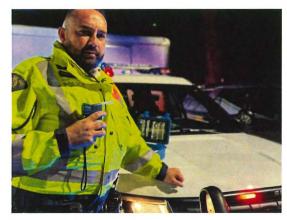


Figure 3: Impaired Driving Awareness

³ Based on PRIME query by Richmond Crime Analysis Unit on September 10, 2025

Community Police Office Programs

Community police offices continue to enhance the Richmond Detachment's policing services by providing various crime prevention resources and community safety initiatives. City staff and volunteers pursue safety initiatives to improve crime prevention program awareness, community engagement and police accessibility. These initiatives help reduce anxiety and fear related to crime. The program activities vary from month to month, reflecting weather conditions, seasonal initiatives and the availability of volunteers.

During August, volunteer highlights included:

- The deployment of one bike patrol, totalling 16 hours, and one foot patrol, totalling five hours.
- A total of 20 Fail to Stop deployments took place, resulting in 1,068 information letters issued.
- There were 22 Lock Out Auto Crime deployments, resulting in 498 information letters issued.
- Speed Watch was conducted on 2,142 vehicles, resulting in 28 information letters issued.
- August 2 Volunteers assisted Block Watch with a Block Party, interacting with attendees, distributing safety reflectors and Community Safety App cards.

 August 6 – Volunteers assisted with setup, food preparation, food service and cleanup at the Pathways Clubhouse BBO.⁴

- August 11 to 15 Volunteers participated in organizing training activities for students in the Youth Academy.
- August 14 The first group of VolunTEENs received training on the Richmond RCMP's newly designed volunteer program for high school students in grades 10 to 12 who are interested in law enforcement careers.
- August 16 Volunteers assisted RCMP officers with the Youth Academy Graduation.



Figure 4: Maritime Festival

- August 19 Volunteers attended the Kids Play: Back to School event at the Riverside Banquet Hall, engaging with families, assisting Safety Bear and distributing RCMP swag.
- August 23 and 24 Volunteers supported RCMP officers with crime prevention outreach
 at the Steveston Maritime Festival. Volunteers distributed E-scooter safety cards,
 conducted foot patrols and promoted Project 529.
- August 28 Volunteers attended the Aspire Community BBQ, offering photo
 opportunities with Safety Bear and distributing RCMP swag.

⁴ Pathways Clubhouse is a non-profit mental health community services organization offering support services to its members and creating a meaningful community for people with mental illness.

Crime Prevention Unit

The Crime Prevention Unit reduces crime and enhances community engagement through public awareness and education initiatives. During August, the Crime Prevention Unit participated in

various activities, including diversity and inclusion initiatives, road safety deployments and the following events:

- A total of 170 Place of Worship patrols were conducted.
- On August 6, 2025, RCMP Officers participated in the annual Pathways Clubhouse BBQ.
- On August 23 and 24, 2025, RCMP
 Officers participated in the annual Steveston
 Maritime and Dragonboat Festival.



Figure 5: Pathways Clubhouse BBQ

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. A total of 819 violation tickets were issued in August. Figure 5 provides statistics for the top five infractions for which violation tickets were issued in August:



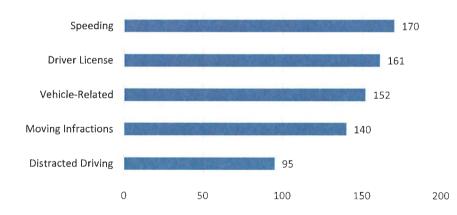


Table 2 presents the number of motor vehicle collisions involving injuries and fatalities reported between January 1, 2021, and August 31, 2025.

Table 2 – Motor Vehicle Collisions					
Year	Collisions with Non-Fatal Injuries	Fatalities			
20215	355	4			
2022	406	1			
2023	436	3			
2024	455	2			
2025 (YTD) ⁶	242	1			

Victim Services

In August 2025, Richmond RCMP Victim Services met with 70 new clients and attended eight crime/trauma scenes after hours. The unit currently maintains an active caseload of 93 files. In August, Victim Services responded to several cases involving medical-related sudden deaths, mental illness, and fraud.

Youth Section

The Richmond RCMP Detachment's Youth Section focuses on strategies contributing to safe and healthy behaviours essential to developing productive and civic-minded adults. During August, Youth Section highlights included:

- The Youth Academy was hosted from August 11 to 16, 2025.
 Students spent five days learning about police duties, conflict resolution, organization, public speaking, self-reliance and discipline.
- RCMP officers in the Youth Section conducted patrols throughout the month at Elementary and Secondary schools due to reports of graffiti and arson.



Figure 7: Youth Academy Class

Financial Impact

None.

⁵ Motor Vehicle collisions decreased during the pandemic due to changes in behaviour patterns and fewer vehicles on the roads.

⁶ A fatal collision occurred on July 7, 2025.

Conclusion

In August 2025, the Richmond RCMP conducted several notable investigations, including an assault with a weapon and a series of bank card frauds. Police statistics for this month indicate that most crime types were within the average range, except for sexual offences, mental health-related incidents and shoplifting, which were elevated. Thefts from vehicles, auto thefts, and drug offences were below average.

In August, the Richmond RCMP and volunteers continued to promote crime prevention and road safety initiatives, and the Youth Section coordinated the fourth annual Youth Academy. The Officer in Charge of the Richmond RCMP Detachment will continue to ensure that Richmond remains a safe and desirable community.

Edward Warzel

Director, Police Services

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Att. 1: Community Policing Programs

2: Crime Statistics

3: Crime Maps

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.

Spot the Target

• This initiative consists of frequently stolen items being placed in the volunteer van for participants to identify in order to enhance awareness of thefts from automobiles.

Stolen Auto Recovery

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

Volunteer Bike and Foot Patrol Program

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

AUGUST 2025 STATISTICS - RICHMOND RCMP

The following information is a limited list of select crime-type samples, which does not comprise the entirety or assortment of all crimes captured by the RCMP. The statistics in this chart should be considered independently of the analysis provided as the data is unrelated to the research provided earlier in this report.

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

	Month	5-Yr Avg	5-Yr Range		Year to Date Totals			
	August - 25	August		2024	2025	% Change	# Change	
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	179	151.6	135-168	1259	1437	14%	178	
Robbery	3	6.8	5-8	41	33	-20%	-8	
Assault Common Assault Serious	74	53,2	46-61	414	505	22%	91	
	19	18.0	13-23	142	146	3%	4	
Sexual Offences	25	20.8	17-24	167	160	-4%	-7	
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	635	612.4	577-648	5026	5005	0%	-21	
Business B&E Residential B&E Auto Theft Theft from Auto	28	29.0	20-38	163	192	18%	29	
	19	22.8	13-32	155	150	-3%	-5	
	13	19.0	16-22	184	152	-17%	-32	
	56	112.4	76-149	588	587	0%	-1	
Theft	140	96.6	64-129	882	1023	16%	141	
Shoplifting	135	84.4	59-110	1107	944	-15%	-163	
Fraud	92	77.6	62-94	785	790	1%	5	
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	311	295.0	261-329	2348	2282	-3%	-66	
Arson	8	7.6	3-12	49	38	-22%	-11	
Cause Disturbance	186	214.2	179-249	1771	1580	-11%	-191	
Collisions - all	150	148.2	127-169	1303	1343	3%	40	
SUBTOTAL CC OFFENCES (UCP 1000 to 3000 Senes)	1125	1059.0	943-1113	8701	8714	0%	13	
DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	27	38.4	28-49	170	208	22%	38	
MHA RELATED CALLS (MHA files or Mental Health flag)	281	247.4	237-257	1926	2092	9%	166	

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