



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

April 17, 2020

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from April 10, 2020 – April 16, 2020. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Unlawful Entry 20-003261

300 Block Park Street, NE

April 10 7:34 p.m.

A woman requested an officer’s presence as she picked up her child from the child’s father. When officers arrived at the home, they observed an argument between the parties. It was determined that the woman entered the home, took the child, and walked out of the house. The woman had no way of safely transporting the child. The child was left in the custody of the father, and the two parties were advised of the civil process regarding custody of the child. The father was advised of the warrant process should he wish to pursue charges for Unlawful Entry, and, at his request, the woman trespassed from the home.

Telephone Case 20-003262

400 Block Kingsley Road, SW

April 10 7:40 p.m.

A resident received a harassing telephone call that he believes was related to vandalism at his home on April 9. The resident believes he knows who is responsible for the incidents, and he was advised of the warrant process should he wish to pursue charges.

Police Service 20-003277
200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE
April 11 11:50 p.m.

A resident reported on-going issues with a relative who lives with her. The resident was advised of the eviction process should she wish to remove the relative from her home. Two of the relative's friends, who were at the home, were trespassed from the residence.

Destruction of Property 20-003291
7-11
427 Maple Avenue, East
April 12 6:10 p.m.

The owner of the store reported damage to one of the front glass doors.

Domestic Dispute 20-003292
Mill Street, SE
April 12 6:29 p.m.

Officers responded to a custody dispute. The two parties eventually reached an agreement.

Missing Juvenile 20-003306
100 Block Patrick Street, SE
April 13 9:50 p.m.

A resident reported that her daughter left home stating she wanted to go to her aunt's house. After searching the area for the child she was later found safe with her aunt in Arlington.

Police Service 20-003315
Park Street, SE
April 14 2:22 p.m.

An employee at a doctor's office requested extra patrol in the area due to an on-gong domestic issue with her estranged husband.

Juvenile Case 20-003317
400 Block John Marshall Drive, NE
April 14 6:09 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of two people trespassing at a construction site. The officer located a juvenile and his girlfriend, who were in their vehicle, consuming alcohol. The juvenile was also found in possession of marijuana and tobacco products. The parents of both parties responded to take custody of their children. Petitions are pending in this case.

Unlawful Entry – Arrest 20-003318
100 Block Patrick Street, SW
April 15 1:11 a.m.

A resident reported that an unknown man had entered his home and was sleeping on the stairs in the foyer. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, she detected signs of impairment.

MPO Borja arrested the 43-year-old man from Patrick Street, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Unlawful Entry.

Assist EMS 20-003342
600 Block Orrin Street, SE
April 15 4:51 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a woman who was unconscious in a vehicle. A resident reported that they were trying to take the woman, who was a relative, to the hospital after she drank too much alcohol. Rescue personnel transported the woman to an area hospital for treatment

Petit Larceny 20-003344
600 Block Spring Street, SE
April 15 between 2:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m.

A resident reported someone took their hockey net that they had left near the curb in front of their home.

Police Service 20-003345
200 Block Courthouse Circle, SW
April 15 8:33 p.m.

A resident requested assistance with her adult daughter, who was destroying property in the home. The daughter calmed down after speaking to the officers and agreed to separate from her mother for the night to prevent further issues.

Animal Case – Quarantine 20-003361
700 Block Glyndon Street, SE
April 16 1:30 p.m.

A resident reported that he was riding his bike when he was bitten by his neighbor's dog. The neighbor was advised of the 10-day quarantine procedure.

Suspicious Person 20-003364
200 Block Cedar Lane, SE
April 16 2:40 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a suspicious man in the parking lot of the shopping center. A citizen reported the man was yelling at people. Officers spoke to the man regarding his actions. The man apologized for the disturbance.

CRASHES

Cottage Street and Walker Street, SW 20-002870

March 20 12:30 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was southbound on Cottage Street at Walker Street when Vehicle-1 (an unknown vehicle) backed out of a driveway and struck the vehicle, causing minor damage. Driver-1 fled the scene without providing their information.

180 Maple Avenue, West 20-003229

April 8 10:00 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was backing out of a parking space when it struck Vehicle-2 that was legally parked in the next parking space.

331 Maple Avenue, East 20-003290

April 10 4:00 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by Vehicle-1, an unknown vehicle. Driver-1 left the scene without providing their information.

CASE UPDATES

None.

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.

MEDIA RELEASES



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Operations Modifications in Response to COVID-19

March 18, 2020

In the interest of public safety for our residents, businesses, and visitors, the Vienna Police Department has modified its operations to increase social distancing and reduce the chance of spreading the COVID-19 virus.

This modified operation entails taking certain police reports for relatively minor and non-violent crimes by telephone. These will be cases where there is no need for evidence collection, not a crime in progress, but the incident still needs to be documented.

If you are calling to file a police report, Communications personnel will ask you questions to help determine if your call meets the criteria for a telephone follow-up and if so, you may be advised that an officer will call you back to assess the need to respond in person or complete the report via telephone. If you feel that an officer is required, you may make that request, and an officer will respond. The incident report over the telephone will go into the same records management system and will be tracked the same as if an officer responded.

If a police officer responds to your location, please be prepared to step outside to meet the officer to encourage social distancing and avoid the spread of the virus.

By using telephone reporting, you will help us limit exposure. We thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to maintain our mission of providing a safe community for all of our citizens, businesses, and visitors.

Out of an abundance of caution, we have also suspended some low priority services, which include: Ride-Along, PIO public engagements, VIN verifications, and child safety seats installations. Access to our police lobby will be restricted to immediate police assistance only. We do encourage our citizens to call the police department with questions at 703-255-6366 instead of visiting our lobby.

The Vienna Police Department continues to remain staffed, operational, and ready to respond to all emergencies, in-progress incidents, and priority calls. Day and night patrols remain at full strength, so you should not hesitate to call for assistance.

The process of handling some calls for service over the phone and limiting other services is temporary and will be continually reevaluated in the coming weeks.

Thank You,
Chief Jim Morris



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Reminder

Prevention of Stolen Vehicles/Vehicle Tamperings

With the advent of warmer weather, the Town of Vienna Police Department would like to remind all Town of Vienna residents to secure their vehicles and personal belongings. Recently there have been several vehicle tamperings to include stolen vehicles from Vienna and the neighboring jurisdictions.

The Vienna Police Department would like to remind citizens of the following steps to assist in the prevention of your vehicle being tampered with or stolen:

Lock your Car Doors.

The majority of the vehicles being entered and/or stolen have been unlocked.

Remove all Valuables.

In most cases, the subjects responsible for these acts have been targeting vehicles which contain valuables such as, but not limited to, laptop computers, GPS's, pocketbooks/purses, loose change, cameras, etc. If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, please be sure to conceal the items, in the trunk, under the seats or use any other means to make them undetectable. Also, make sure to record all serial numbers, and if possible, engrave them or permanently mark the items with easily identifiable markings, in the event the items are recovered.

Remove all Keys.

The subjects who commit these crimes are aware that most new vehicles come with valet keys. Most of these keys are kept inside the vehicles, either in the center consoles, or the glove compartments or other areas easily accessible. In some instances the owners have left their keys rings containing their house keys, providing access to their homes.

Report Suspicious Activity

In some cases, the subjects have been observed wearing several layers of clothing, not consistent with the weather conditions. This is used to conceal stolen items and also to make identification difficult as they will shed layers of clothing as they flee the area when they suspect they have been observed committing a crime.

The Town of Vienna Police Department is dedicated to the safety and protection of all persons and property in the Town of Vienna. However, much of our success comes from the assistance of its concerned and observant residents.

****A reminder to secure your vehicles and remove all valuables! **
Even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway, please secure all windows and doors and remove all valuables.**



CITIZEN NOTES

Vienna Police Department Construction Project Updates

Updates about the police department construction project will be posted regularly to the "Police Department Renovation" page, located under the Police Department section, at viennava.gov, or follow the below link.

** As we move forward with designing and ultimately constructing a new facility, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. To begin that effort a link has been established on the police department page of the Town of Vienna website (<https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225>), and we will be providing regular updates about the process in these Highlights.

Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

**See or Hear Something? Say Something!
We WANT to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.**