

# BAL HARBOUR


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OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 027-2020

To: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager 

Date: February 21, 2020

Subject: **Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Report for the period of February 14, 2020 through February 20, 2020**

The purpose of this Letter to Council (LTC) is to transmit to you a Weekly Report from the Bal Harbour Police Department that I requested in order to enhance the flow of communication and transparency.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to call Chief Raleigh Flowers or me directly.

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## Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Summary

Week of Friday, February 14, 2020 - Thursday, February 20, 2020

Calls for Service		Reports		Arrests		Code Enforcement		Traffic Enforcement	
Primary	57	Incident	24	Felony	00	Notice	00	Citations	56
Back Up Outside Agency	04	Crash	02	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	03	Warning	02	Warnings	90
<b>Total</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>02</b>	Parking	33
								<b>Total</b>	<b>179</b>

### Weekly Marine Patrol Enforcement

Stops	11
Contacts	64
AOA	00
Reports	00
Citations	01
Warnings	08

## Enforcement Activity Summary

Friday, February 14		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	06	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	08	08

Saturday, February 15		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	01	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	01	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	02	11

Sunday, February 16		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	01	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	01	02
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	03	03
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	00	02

Monday, February 17		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	03	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	01	02
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	03
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	02	06
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	02	05

<b>Tuesday, February 18</b>		
<b>Traffic Enforcement Details</b>		
<b>Location / Detail Type</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Warnings</b>
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	09	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	06	05
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	03	08
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	09	10

<b>Wednesday, February 19</b>		
<b>Traffic Enforcement Details</b>		
<b>Location / Detail Type</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Warnings</b>
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	02	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	04	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	01	02
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	06	12

<b>Thursday, February 20</b>		
<b>Traffic Enforcement Details</b>		
<b>Location / Detail Type</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Warnings</b>
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	11	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	01	04
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	01	01
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	05	06

## Summary of Activities and Events

### Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Officers conducted eight code investigations during this reporting period. The majority of the investigations focused on complaints of persons walking their dogs on the beach. One case involved the discovery of unauthorized signs posted along Collins Avenue. (See comments below.)

Code Enforcement Officers (CEOs) are patrolling the beach area in response to complaints about dogs on the beach. CEOs spoke with a beachgoer who claimed she has seen persons with dogs on the beach very early in the mornings (6:30am - 7:30am) and later in the evenings after 6:30pm. Notice was sent to patrol officers on duty during those times.

Code Enforcement Officers discovered an advertisement sign affixed to a pole at Collins Avenue and Harbour Way. CEOs removed the sign and contacted persons at the telephone number listed on the advertisement. The company was warned not to post signs in Bal Harbour and told a future infraction would result in a Code Violation Notice.

Code Enforcement Officers patrolling the beaches saw a woman with her dog on the beach just after 4:00pm. CEOs met with the woman and informed her about Village ordinances prohibiting dogs on the beach. CEOs issued a verbal warning and the woman promptly removed the dog from the beach.

On February 19, 2020, Code Enforcement Officers visited the beach side building to personally speak with their staff about the no-dog-on-the-beach ordinance. CEOs left a copy of the ordinance and noted they made contact with building personnel. CEOs used this opportunity to also conduct a beach check behind each building. This covered a time span from 11:30 am - 3:30pm. CEOs did not see anyone walking dogs on the beach during these times.

### Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) is following-up on a series of thefts of center wheel caps from Rolls Royce and Bentley vehicles. There were four reports of these incidents during this reporting period. Detectives attended the Northeast Regional Intelligence meeting at Miami-Dade's Intercoastal Station and presented the trend to detectives from neighboring agencies. All participating investigators are on alert to forward any possible leads to Detective Gonzalez. Additionally, officers visited each of the ocean front properties and notified the security personnel of these thefts.

The CID investigated two separate retail theft cases involving the same subject. Two Bal Harbour Shops' retailers were targeted on the same day. The modus operandi suggested a single offender may be targeting retailers at the Shops. Detectives learned the same subject also targeted stores in the Aventura Mall. Working with fellow investigators, Bal Harbour detectives discovered a subject was currently in custody for similar crimes. Line-ups confirmed the subject in custody was the same person who targeted the Bal Harbour Shops. The CID filed additional grand theft charges against the offender for both cases.

occurring in Bal Harbour. The CID shared information about the arrest with retailers participating in the Exchange email distribution list in an effort to limit the subject's ability to target the mall in the future.

The CID is investigating a case of dating violence, in which the boyfriend battered his girlfriend and fled from the scene. Follow-up investigation revealed the boyfriend was Baker Acted shortly after the incident and is currently in a mental health facility. Detectives are awaiting his release to proceed with the criminal case.

## Summary of Noteworthy Calls for Service

<b>02/14/2020</b>	<b>DUI Arrest</b>	<b>Harding Avenue and 96<sup>th</sup> Street</b>
Officers conducting traffic enforcement in the area of Harding Avenue and 96th Street saw a vehicle heading the wrong way on the avenue. After initiating a traffic stop, officers discovered the driver was in an obvious state of impairment. The driver's blood alcohol level was 0.245, over three times the legal limit. The driver was arrested and transported to jail.		

<b>02/16/2020</b>	<b>Loitering and Prowling Arrest</b>	<b>10295 Collins Avenue</b>
Officers patrolling the area of the Ritz Carlton responded to a call of a suspicious person by the pool. As officers escorted the suspect from the property, the suspect fled and concealed himself in the area by the Quarzo Hotel. Officers located the suspect and charged him with loitering & prowling. The suspect was transported to jail without further incident.		

<b>02/16/2020</b>	<b>Dating Violence</b>	<b>10100 Block of Collins Avenue</b>
Officers investigated a dating violence case where the boyfriend battered his girlfriend, broke her phone, and fled the scene. Efforts to locate the boyfriend at his home in Bay Harbour Islands were unsuccessful. The case was forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Division for follow-up		

<b>02/17/2020</b>	<b>Fraud</b>	<b>Bal Bay Drive</b>
Officers responded to a report of a fraud at a residence on Bal Bay Drive. The victim wanted to return sports tickets purchased online. He found a telephone number online that claimed to be the ticket company's number. When he called for a refund, the victim was led through several steps that resulted in him being scammed for about \$5,000. The victim was convinced to create an eBay wallet, fund it with cash, and then transfer the cash to the subject's account. By the time the victim realized he was scammed, he had already transferred over \$5000.		

**02/19/2020**

**Assist Citizen**

**Bal Harbour Police Department**

A previously arrested subject returned to the Bal Harbour Police Department to claim his personal effects that were impounded for safekeeping at the time of his arrest. While speaking with the subject, officers learned he was homeless and in need of assistance. After returning his property, officers worked with social services to ensure the subject had a place to sleep and the services he needed.

**Completed by: Raleigh Flowers, Chief of Police**

**Date: February 20, 2020**