

OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 173-2020

To: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager

Date: December 11, 2020

Subject: Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Report for the period of

December 4, 2020 through December 10, 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

2020 Week #49: Friday, December 04, 2020, through Thursday, December 10,2020

Calls for Service		Reports		Arrests		Code Enforcement		Traffic Enforcement	
Primary	44	Incident	18	Felony	01	Violations	01	Citations	41
Assist Other Agency	03	Crash	02	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	02	Warnings - Verbal and Written	00	Warnings	32
Total	47	Total	20	Total	03	Investigations	27	Parking	38
								Total	111

2019 Week #49: Friday December 06, 2019, through Thursday, December 12, 2019

Calls for Service		Reports		Arrests		Code Enforcement		Traffic Enforcement	
Primary	28	Incident	12	Felony	00	Violations	00	Citations	28
Assist Other Agency	00	Crash	04	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	01	Warnings	00	Warnings	24
Total	28	Total	16	Total	01	Investigations	00	Parking	41
								Total	93

Weekly Marine Patrol Enforcement

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Stops	Police Boat out for Maintenance
Contacts	0
AOA	0
Reports	0
Citations	0
Warnings	0

Enforcement Activity Summary

Friday, December 04		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	12	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	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	01	05

Saturday, December 05		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	05	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	03	03
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	01	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	01

Sunday, December 06		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	01	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	02
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	06	03

Monday, December 07		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	00	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	03	02
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	00	00

Tuesday, December 08		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	06	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	14	06
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	02	00

Wednesday, December 09		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	04	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	01	05

Thursday, December 10		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	10	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	02	03
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	04	02

Summary of Activities and Events

Code Enforcement

Code Officers patrolling the gated community saw demolition crews at work on a property on the 100 Block of Bal Bay Drive. CEOs checked with the building department and determined the crews were properly permitted. Public Works later reported the site had not completed required inspections prior to the start of demolition. CEOs returned to the property and issued a Stop Work Order until all inspections were properly completed. The site complied and was later allowed to resume demolition.

Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division followed up on several retail theft cases originating in the Bal Harbour Shops. All cases were individual occurrences and not the result of an identifiable organized retail theft ring. Despite Covid-19 facial covering requirements hampering the identification process, detectives distributed need-to-identify flyers to neighboring jurisdictions with the available surveillance images.

Detectives investigated an allegation of a theft valued at \$2,500. The victim alleged she paid the suspect to repair the item, but the subject later refused to return the victim's property. Detectives identified the subject and arranged for the return of the item. The subject made counter allegations against the victim claiming she owed her money for unrelated services. The victim opted not to proceed with the theft case. Both parties were referred to the Civil Court system for remedies related to the dispute over monies owed.

Summary of Noteworthy Calls for Service

12-04-2020 Intoxicated Person 10295 Collins Avenue

Ritz-Carlton security personnel advised officers they were concerned for the well-being of a female guest that recently arrived and appeared intoxicated. The female was breathing but unresponsive, security personnel assisted in carrying her to the room. Miami-Dade Fire Rescue responded and began treatment on-scene, the female was subsequently transported to the hospital for further evaluation.

12-04-2020 Theft 10295 Collins Avenue

A Ritz-Carlton guest left her beach bag unattended on top of a lounge chair while she went to the hot tub. She returned a few moments later and discovered the bag missing; it contained a wallet and cash. Ritz-Carlton security reviewed surveillance footage in the area; however, the area of incident was not captured. This case has been forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Division for follow-up.

12-05-2020 Theft 10175 Collin's Avenue

A reporter told officers he hired a contractor to conduct repair and remodeling work inside his apartment. After the work had been completed, he noticed his Colt .38 firearm was missing form his closet; the firearm had been there in the days leading up to remodeling. This case has been forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Division for follow-up.

12-05-2020 Arrest/Battery 9940 Collins Avenue

While conducting the westside Condo checks, a Bal Harbour officer observed where a male and female were on the ground in what appeared to be a physical altercation. The couple was driving home from a day of boating when their vehicle got a flat tire. They pulled the vehicle into the apartment complex and began to argue about an incident that occurred on the boat. The female struck the male in the face causing injuries; the male was attempting to restrain her when officers arrived. The female was arrested and transported to jail and the male was released on scene without further incident.

12-06-2020 Arrest/Battery 9700 Collins Avenue

Officer responded to reports of a male and female fighting on the second floor of the Bal Harbour Shops. Upon arrival, officers detained the male and escorted the female to the lobby of the police station. The couple were recently engaged and began fighting over a previous relationship, the female sustained injuries to her face and there were also signs of injuries being concealed by her makeup. The male was arrested and transported to jail without further incident.

12-07-2020 Arrest/Theft 9700 Collins Avenue

Bal Harbour Shops security reported a suspicious male that was possibly shoplifting. Upon arriving in the area. As officers approached the male, he concealed some merchandise in an outdoor planter and began to flee on foot. After a brief foot chase, officers detained the male, who continued to resist, and was placed in the back of a police vehicle. The investigation revealed the male took merchandise from the Versace store without paying. He was placed under arrest and transported to jail.

12/07/2020 Missing Person Recovery 10200 Collins Avenue

Bal Harbour Police Communications received a call from a concerned citizen regarding a possible DUI driver and provided the tag on the vehicle. Bal Harbour officers responded to the area, but did not locate the vehicle. The officers retrieved the vehicle data from the License Plate Reader and discovered the elderly driver was a reported missing person from Charlotte County Florida. An area check resulted in the officers locating the vehicle and driver in the Haulover area. The male suffers from dementia and was lost and disoriented. As a precaution, Miami- Dade Fire Rescue was summoned to evaluate the male and transported him to Aventura Hospital for evaluation. The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office was notified of the recovery. The victim's family was contacted and the male was reunited with his family. No injuries were reported.

12/10/2020 Ordinance Investigation 9701 Collins Avenue

The contracted company which services the beach equipment for the St. Regis Hotel drove a pick up onto the beach and became stuck in the sand. The company was not authorized to perform work on the beach and they did not have a beach access permit or an off-duty officer to perform the escort. A tow truck was requested to the scene to remove the vehicle. The workers were instructed to smooth out the sand divots created by the vehicle. St. Regis Security Director responded to the scene. The case will be assigned to the Bal Harbour Code Compliance Division for further investigation. In addition, the driver was cited for driving in a restricted area.

12-10-2020 Trespass Warning 290 Bal Bay Drive

Quarzo Hotel Management reported that a male was trespassing and fishing on their property. Bal Harbour police officers responded just as the male had left the property. Officers conducted an area search and based on the description the male was located nearby. The male was trespassed from the site and released after he was cleared of any outstanding warrants.

Completed by: Raleigh Flowers, Jr., Chief of Police Date: December 11, 2020