

# BAL HARBOUR

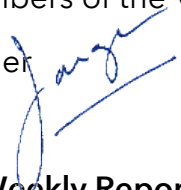
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OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 089-2021

To: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager 

Date: June 25, 2021

Subject: **Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Report for the period of June 18, 2021, through June 24, 2021**

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

**2021 Week #25:** Friday June 18, 2021, through Thursday, June 24, 2021

<i><b>Calls for Service</b></i>		<i><b>Reports</b></i>		<i><b>Arrests</b></i>		<i><b>Code Enforcement</b></i>		<i><b>Traffic Enforcement</b></i>	
Primary	47	Incident	15	Felony	00	Violations	01	Citations	47
Assist Other Agency	01	Crash	01	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	00	Warnings - Verbal and Written	05	Warnings	50
<b>Total</b>		<b>Total</b>		<b>Total</b>		Investigations	82	Parking	33
							<b>Total</b>	<b>130</b>	

**2020 Week #25:** Friday June 19, 2020 through Thursday, June 25, 2020

<i><b>Calls for Service</b></i>		<i><b>Reports</b></i>		<i><b>Arrests</b></i>		<i><b>Code Enforcement</b></i>		<i><b>Traffic Enforcement</b></i>	
Primary	18	Incident	09	Felony	00	Violations	00	Citations	07
Assist Other Agency	01	Crash	01	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	00	Warnings	00	Warnings	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>00</b>	Investigations	<b>91</b>	Parking	10
							<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	

## Enforcement Activity Summary

Friday, June 18		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	05	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	01	01
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	01
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	03	06

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Saturday, June 19		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	06	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	03	05
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	08	09

Sunday, June 20		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	05	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	01
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	01	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	10	10

Monday, June 21		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	10	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	07	07
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	05

## Enforcement Activity Summary (continued)

Tuesday, June 22		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	07	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	03	01
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	05	04

Wednesday, June 23		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	00	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	00	00

Thursday, June 24		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	00	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	02	00

## Summary of Activities and Events

### Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Officers (CEOs) noticed a large pile of waste stacked on a driveway on the 100 Block of Bal Bay Drive. The debris was clearly visible from the public right of way in violation of Village codes. CEOs issued the homeowner a code violation warning.

While patrolling the gated community, CEOs noticed two construction sites along Bal Bay Drive were in need of maintenance. Both properties were unsightly with overgrown lawns along their curb. CEOs spoke with the property manager about the deficiencies and issued the properties a code violation warning.

Code Officers continue to work with Village residents to ensure bulk waste is placed on the curb on the proper days. CEOs patrolling the area of Park Drive noticed bulk items on the curb too early in the week. CEOs issued the property a code violation warning reminding the homeowner to place items on the curb no earlier than 24 hours before scheduled collection.

CEOs reinspected a property on Balfour Drive after issuing a code warning the previous week. The property was in violation of maintenance and appearance standards. When CEOs returned to the property, they discovered the vegetation to be further overgrown than when the warning was issued. Since the deficiency was not corrected, CEOs issued the property owner a code violation.

### Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) continues to assist Bal Harbour Shops' retailers with several retail theft investigations. Detectives reviewed video footage from two separate locations and obtained images of the suspects involved in the thefts. Camera angles and face coverings made the suspects difficult to identify. Regardless, detectives prepared Need-to-Identify flyers and distributed them to neighboring jurisdictions in an attempt to garner additional leads.

A resident of a beachside condominium was targeted as a potential victim to the Cartel Text Scam. The scam involves sending the target gruesome pictures followed by threats to do harm if money is not paid. The resident contacted the police and was able to learn about the scam from detectives prior to falling victim to the scam. The victim did not lose money to the scammers.

The CID continues its investigation of a wire fraud theft involving a beachside condominium. Unknown suspects spoofed a vendor's email account and convinced condo management to wire money to an anonymous Green Dot cash account. Detectives requested a subpoena for the Greed Dot account in search of additional leads.

### Marine Patrol / Beach Safety Officer Details

<b>Stops</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Warnings</b>	<b>Arrests</b>	<b>Reports</b>	<b>AOA</b>	<b>Contacts</b>
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<b>Remarks</b>						
<p><b>Marine Patrol:</b>  Marine Units assisted Indian Creek Marine Patrol on a suspicious vessel call along the island's seawall. The officers stopped a pontoon-style vessel and warned its occupants not to trespass on the island of Indian Creek.</p> <p>Marine Units and a Good Samaritan vessel helped a swimmer who was stranded on the Haulover Inlet. The swimmer refused medical attention and was transported to the Haulover Marina.</p> <p><b>Beach Safety Detail:</b>  Officers patrolling the Jetty area discovered graffiti on the "Danger Jetty" sign attached to the lighthouse. An alert notice was issued to all patrol personnel and Public Works was notified so the graffiti could be promptly removed.</p> <p>The Beach Safety Officer met with management at the Ritz Carlton after receiving a complaint of garbage on the beach. Hotel staff were reminded to monitor the area for garbage. A follow-up investigation revealed hotel personnel actively cleaning the beach.</p> <p>The Beach Safety Officer met with fishermen on the jetty to ensure all were aware of fishing rules and the need to police their fishing spots. Follow-up visits confirmed the fishermen were cooperating.</p> <p>The sea turtle nests were checked regularly to ensure they were properly cordoned off and protected.</p>						

## Summary of Noteworthy Calls for Service

06-19-2021	Parking Violation	North Municipal Lot
Handicap parking spaces are marked for the benefit of persons with disabilities. Officers patrol Village parking areas to ensure persons do not abuse special parking privileges. Officers discovered a driver using an expired handicap permit assigned to another person to park in a reserved space in the North Lot. The driver was cited for unlawful use of a handicap permit and seized the expired permit to prevent future parking violations.		

06-21-2021	Theft	9700 Collins Avenue
A retailer at the Bal Harbour Shops reported a theft of items valued at approximately \$10,000. The store reported a group of suspects entered the store and collected various articles of clothing and left the store. The group's activities were captured on video. The Criminal Investigation Divisions is conducting a follow-up investigation.		

<b>06-23-2021</b>	<b>Theft from Vehicle</b>	<b>9700 Collins Avenue</b>
Officers were summoned to the Bal Harbour Shops parking garage regarding a theft. Victim alleges someone removed a jacket and a pair of sunglasses from the vehicle. Officers investigating the case noted no signs of forced entry and the shopper could not recall if the vehicle was left locked.		

<b>06-24-2021</b>	<b>Assist Other Agency</b>	<b>Town of Surfside</b>
The town of Surfside received numerous calls of a building collapsing on the 8700 block of Collins Avenue. Bal Harbour officers responded to the scene and assisted first responders with rescue and crime scene management. Additionally, Bal Harbour officers assisted with the management of the Family Re-unification Center and implemented the family tracking database.		

Completed by: Raleigh Flowers, Jr., Chief of Police

Date: June 25, 2021

