


# BAL HARBOUR

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OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 105-2021

To: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council  
From: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager   
Date: July 23, 2021  
Subject: **Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Report for the period of July 16, 2021, through July 22, 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 #2938:** Friday July 16, 2021, through Thursday, July 22, 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	43	Incident	12	Felony	01	Violations	01	Citations	45
Assist Other Agency	07	Crash	02	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	00	Warnings - Verbal and Written	00	Warnings	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>01</b>	Investigations	42	Parking	31
								<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>

**2020 Week #29:** Friday July 17, 2020 through Thursday, July 23, 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	38	Incident	14	Felony	00	Violations	00	Citations	10
Assist Other Agency	01	Crash	01	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	00	Warnings	03	Warnings	34
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>00</b>	Investigations	<b>79</b>	Parking	15
								<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>

## Enforcement Activity Summary

Friday, July 16		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	05	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	02	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	01	04

Saturday, July 17		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	04	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	03	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	05	04
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	01
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	04	06

Sunday, July 18		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	08	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	04	05
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	04	02

Monday, July 19		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	02	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	03	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	07	06

## Enforcement Activity Summary (continued)

Tuesday, July 20		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	01	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	05	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	05

Wednesday, July 21		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	09	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	01	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	03	06

Thursday, July 22		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	02	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	00
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	00	01

## Summary of Activities and Events

### Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Officers (CEOs) conducted re-inspections of properties previously issued warnings for failure to properly maintain lawns and landscaping. Follow-up visits are conducted to ensure all properties remain compliant.

CEOs assisted security personnel from the Bal Harbour Shops in reviewing ordinances related to noise levels and procedures for obtaining sound readings. The Code Enforcement Unit is working with the mall to ensure construction noises remain within acceptable levels.

CEOs assisted the Building Department in the issuance of a building code violation to a beachside condominium complex. The violation was related to recent repairs to the building's roof. Condo officials were directed to obtain proper roofing permits before correcting the deficiencies noted by the Village's Building Official.

### Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) assisted the Patrol Division in the development of an operational plan for enhanced patrols related to the Rolling Loud concert at Hard Rock Stadium. Although the event activities occur outside of Bal Harbour Village, the event draws over 250,000 people to the South Florida area and the beach community hotels. The added police presence will ensure the Village is not affected by peripheral activities related to the Rolling Loud concert.

A Village resident reported their credit card was compromised and used to purchase \$1,000 in gift cards. Detectives linked the fraudulent transactions to a telephone number then linked the telephone number to an individual living Bay Harbour Islands. It appears the person linked to the fraudulent account is also a victim of identity theft. The investigation continues as detectives follow all available leads.

The CID responded to a complaint of a possible theft which occurred approximately three years ago. The complainant believes a housekeeper employed in 2018 may have stolen jewelry from the complainant's home. The allegation was based on a Facebook photo depicting the maid wearing a similar piece of jewelry. Detectives are working to confirm the theft and recover the stolen property.

**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>
10	1	5	0	3	5	114

**Remarks****Marine Patrol:**

Marine units were waved down by a struggling swimmer caught in a strong current and drifting toward the Haulover inlet. The swimmer was pulled by the current from the Sandbar area and was in distress. Marine units rescued the swimmer and returned him to his vessel anchored at the sandbar.

Homeland Security requested Marine Unit assistance after discovering packages of suspected marijuana flowing in the ocean. Marine officers located a package flowing off shore of the Carlton Terrace and turned it over to Border Patrol agents.

Marine Units responded to a call for help from a vessel taking on water near the Sand Bar. The vessel was occupied by three adults and one child. The passengers were moved onto the Bal Harbour Boat and transported to the safety. The Sea Tow service towed the boat to the dock.

A mother and child flipped their jet ski near the Sand Bar. Bal Harbour Marine officers were nearby and quickly responded to the mother's call for help. The family received the necessary assistance and the jet ski was returned to an upright position.

Miami-Dade Police requested assistance after a kayaker reported difficulty breathing. The kayak was in the vicinity of Bear Can Island. Marine Units reponed, located the victim, and transported him to the Fire Rescue dock for further evaluation.

Marine Units assisted the Patrol Division by augmenting patrols during high-traffic hours.

**Beach Safety Detail:**

The Beach Safety Officer met with several fishermen using holes on the Jetty to prop multiple fishing rods. The fishermen were asked to remove the poles and promptly complied.

The Beach Safety Officer worked with local hotels and condos to ensure beach warning flags were properly posted and displayed the correct danger status for the day.

The Beach Safety Officer continued monitoring the beach areas for cleanliness. The Beach Officer collaborate with hotel and condo staff to ensure the sands are kept clean and free of debris.

The Beach Safety Officer encountered three dogs on the beach. Their owners were reminded of the applicable Village codes. Two of the dogs were immediately removed; the third was a service dog.

A truck involved in seaweed collection struck metal railing along the Jetty. The Beach Safety Officer secured the area and made the necessary notifications to have the railing repaired.

## Summary of Noteworthy Calls for Service

<b>07-17-2021</b>	<b>Theft</b>	<b>9700 Collins Avenue</b>
<p>Marni store manager told officers a group of unknown suspects entered the store and began selecting items from display racks. The group then exited the store with the items. Store surveillance footage was requested to be preserved for investigative purposes.</p>		
<b>07-17-2021</b>	<b>Trespass Warning</b>	<b>9700 Collins Avenue</b>
<p>Mall security personnel discovered a woman on mall property during the late-night hours when the mall was closed. The woman claimed she was on the property attempting to find a Wi-Fi signal for her cellular phone. Mall security requested police officers respond to the scene. The woman was issued a trespass warning and instructed to leave the property.</p>		
<b>07-18-2021</b>	<b>Assist other Agency</b>	<b>10200 blk Ocean</b>
<p>A beach patron notified officers of a suspicious package floating in the water near the rear of the Carlton Terrace. Bal Harbour Marine officers responded and retrieved the package, a kilogram of narcotics. Homeland Security officers responded to the area and took possession of the package, no further action was taken.</p>		
<b>07-18-2021</b>	<b>Damaged Property</b>	<b>Jetty Entrance</b>
<p>Miami-Dade was conducting seaweed removal at the rear of the Ritz-Carlton. A dump truck transporting seaweed struck the handrail along the jetty entrance causing it to collapse. Public Works personnel were notified and responded the next day to make repairs.</p>		
<b>07-18-2021</b>	<b>Traffic Arrest</b>	<b>10100 blk Collins Avenue</b>
<p>Officers conducted a traffic stop for unlawful speeding. During the course of the traffic stop, officers determined the driver did not have a valid license. The driver was placed under arrest and transported to jail.</p>		
<b>07-19-2021</b>	<b>Suspicious Odor</b>	<b>9700 Collins Avenue</b>
<p>Officers responded to a store in the Bal Harbour Shops regarding a strange odor. The store employees were concerned the odors could be noxious fumes containing carbon monoxide. A check of the area revealed heavy construction equipment was being used nearby and could account for the strange odor. The fire department arrived and sampled the air. No hazardous chemicals or gasses were detected.</p>		

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

Date: **July 23, 2021**

