

Community Engagement

- Volunteers Needed for Centennial Planning Committee: The Town of Riverdale Park is seeking volunteers to be part of the Centennial Planning Committee. This Committee will plan events and activities to celebrate the Town's centennial in June 2020.

Please contact Todd Sundberg, Program Specialist, at tsundberg@riverdaleparkmd.gov if you are interested in serving on this committee.

- Social Media Outreach: The Town's Social Media Outreach initiative continues to evolve and expand the reach in sharing information. The Facebook page is an important platform from which the Town can share important news, events, updates, and emergency notifications. We have reached our initial goal of 1000 followers! Our new goal is to reach 1500 followers. As of today we have 1006 followers and 963 likes. If you haven't visited, liked, and followed our Facebook page, please do so. If you already have, encourage your neighbors, friends, and business associates to do the same. Link: <https://www.facebook.com/RiverdaleParkMD/>



- The Town of Riverdale Park (TRP) is also active on the following social media platforms:
 - Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/riverdaleparkmd_gov/?hl=en
 - 278 followers
 - Twitter: https://twitter.com/Riverdale_Park
 - 651 followers
 - Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeaNS8-6xwTyPJculj7vuCQ/videos?view_as=subscriber
 - 2 videos, 7 subscribers, 179 views

- Trash Concerns App Launched: In partnership with Bates Trucking and Trash Services, we have launched a dedicated Trash Concerns app on our website! The Trash Concerns app can be used to order a new trash can, report missed recycling, and any other trash related concerns. http://www.riverdaleparkmd.info/ho.../trash_concerns/index.php.



Environment

- Yard Waste Collection moves to Mondays: On July 1st, yard waste collection moved to Mondays. Yard waste should be at the curbside by 6:00 a.m. Residents are responsible for the following items:
 - Yard waste must be placed in paper bags or reuseable bins that are clearly marked "Yard Waste"
 - Branches and limbs need to be bundled with rope or string (do not use wire), additionally all branches, limbs, and bundles must be:
 - less than 4 feet long,

- individual branches less than 3 inches in diameter
 - weigh less than 60 pounds
- Recycling Collection – important note: Recycling will not be collected if the items to be recycled are placed in any type of plastic bag. Town staff have received reports that this continues to be a concern. Prince George’s County requires that recycling be placed in a blue tote or in a reusable collection container that is clearly marked “RECYCLING” or with an “X.” **NO PLASTIC BAGS OF ANY KIND ARE TO BE INCLUDED IN THE RECYCLING CONTAINER** (i.e., plastic grocery bags, plastic wrappers on soda or water containers). For additional information, please call 311 or 301-883-5810.
 - Replacement Toter: Bates requests that damaged trash cans be setout curbside and turned upside down for collection on Wednesdays. It is recommended to label the cans as “trash”.
 - Weather Related Responses: As a result of weather events with strong winds the Department of Public Works (DPW) has responded to a number of tree issues. Kudos to the DPW team for their quick response and excellent work!



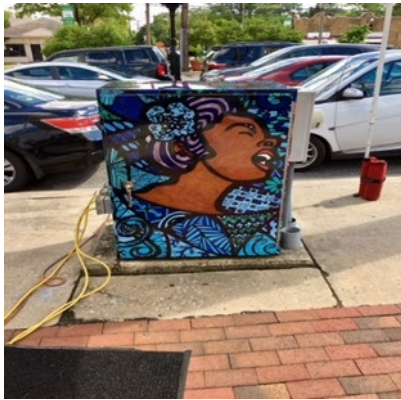
Development

- Competitive Negotiated Sale of 4603 East West Highway: On Wednesday, July 24th, the Town sold 4603 East West Highway under the Competitive Negotiated Sale process. The new owner, Werrlein Properties, Inc., will redevelop the property and is expected to construct a single-family home by the beginning of next year.
- Planning Board Hearing Riverdale Park Station: On Thursday, July 25th, staff attended the County Planning Board Hearing in reference to the proposed amendments to DSP 13009-15 for the Riverdale Park Station Development. In summary, the Board approved the amendments, which include the following:
 - Increase the height of two multi-family residential buildings to seven (7) stories (originally projected to be 3 – 6 stories);
 - Allow walls for the buildings to have windows occupying less than 40 percent of the wall area; and
 - Allow the addition of a trolley car on a parcel near one of the buildings.

- **Neighborhood Public Art Initiative:** As part of the Town's placemaking initiatives to create visible and impactful change, the Town collaborated with Hyattsville Community Development Corp. to install vinyl public art wraps on traffic control / light boxes throughout Town. The art wraps are vinyl-coated, graffiti resistant, and durable, lasting up to 7 years. This project helps reduce blight on public spaces, while creating quality imagery to encourage community and economic development.

A total of (5) wraps have been installed at the following locations:

6200 Block of Rhode Island Ave.



5000 Block of Riverdale Rd.



5300 Block of Riverdale Rd.



5400 Block of Kenilworth Ave.



5600 Block of Kenilworth Ave.



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Public Art Initiative

- **Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation Meeting:** On Tuesday, July 17th, staff met with David Iannucci, President of the Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation, to learn more about EDC and discuss economic development opportunities in Town. EDC hosts events to inform the public on economic development matters and it also has economic development incentives and programs for businesses. For more information, please review EDC's website [here](#).

- Purple Line Construction Notices: Purple Line construction is underway. Residents are encouraged to subscribe for updates via e-mail or text message. For the most accurate and up-to-date information, visit purplelinemd.com, find “Construction” and click on “Subscribe for Updates.” The construction hotline is 240-424-5325.
- TRP-RPS - Riverdale Park Station News: For more information on store openings, events, and development news, check out the Riverdale Park Station transit and general websites and social media pages:
 - Transit Website: <http://www.rpstransit.com/>
 - General Website: <http://www.riverdaleparkstation.com>
 - Facebook: Riverdale Park Station
 - Twitter: @RDPStation
 - Instagram: rdystation
- Notices received by Town:
 - A Site Development (Stormwater) Concept Plan application for Hyattsville Hills Lot 10, Blk 12 (3900 Jefferson Street) has been filed for review by the Prince George’s County Department of Permitting, Inspection and Enforcement (DPIE). The property is located near the intersection of 39th Avenue and Jefferson Street. The nature of the application is to review that conceptual stormwater management plan for the proposed site improvements. For more information, please contact the applicant’s engineer of record at 301-937-3501 or DPIE at 301-883-5710.
 - A Site Development Concept Plan application for Standard College Park located at 4321 Hartwick Road in College Park, was filed on July 17th for review by the Prince George’s County Department of Permitting, Inspection and Enforcement (DPIE). The nature of the application is to develop the property with a mixed-use residential and commercial project. For more information, please contact Joseph DiMarco at 301-809-4500 or DPIE at 301-363-2060.
 - A Preliminary Plan and Detailed Site Plan for East Pines Apartments at 6739 & 6747 Riverdale Rd and 6034 67th Place, Riverdale, MD 20737 has been submitted for review to the Urban Design Section of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. The nature of this review is construction of an apartment building containing approximately 250 units and additionally include 25,000 sq. ft. of commercial space. To become a Person of Record for this application, or to receive further information, you may register online at http://www.mncppcapps.org/planning/Person_of_Record/default.cfm.
- Upcoming Meetings: This feature in the Status and Information reports is provided to ensure awareness of upcoming meetings that may have information or agenda items related to development in or near the Town. Below please find links to the agendas for the Board of License Commissioners, the Planning Board, and the Historic Preservation Commission. Please visit the links for additional information:

Board of License Commissioners: August 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. (Largo)
https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/_08072019-1357

Historic Preservation Commission: *No information available at time of report.*

Planning Board: *No information available at time of report.*

- Development Activities from July 1, 2019 to July 24, 2019

Permits: Building / Storage Containers:

Description	Bi-Weekly Totals	FYTD 2020 Totals
Permit Inspections Conducted	10	10
Permits Issued	1	1
Stop Work Orders Issued	2	2

Permits Issued:

Permit #	Address	Work Description	Est. Investment
2020-B-01	5705 Riverdale Road	Family Restaurant	\$600,000
Est. Investment Bi- Weekly Total:			\$600,000
Est. Investment FYTD 2020 Total:			\$600,000

FY2020 License Renewals:

License Type	Applications Received
Business License	56
Single Family	15
Multi Family Rental	11

- Highlighted reports:
 - On July 17th the Neighborhood Services team conducted a mobile vendor outreach activity. From 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. the team made contact with unlicensed vendors and distributed information regarding the Town’s licensing requirements. Only one vendor was found to be operating without a mobile vendor license during that time. The vendor obtained a Town of Riverdale Park Mobile Vendor decal the next day.

- Neighborhood Improvement Activities from July 1, 2019 to July 24, 2019

Community Standards Violations by Type:

Description	Bi-Weekly Totals	FYTD 2020 Totals
Accumulation of Garbage / Rubbish	4	4
Exterior Conditions	9	9
Interior Conditions	1	1
Overgrown Grass / Weeds	9	9
Safety	0	0
Sanitation	0	0
Total Violations Found:	23	23

Services Provided by Type:

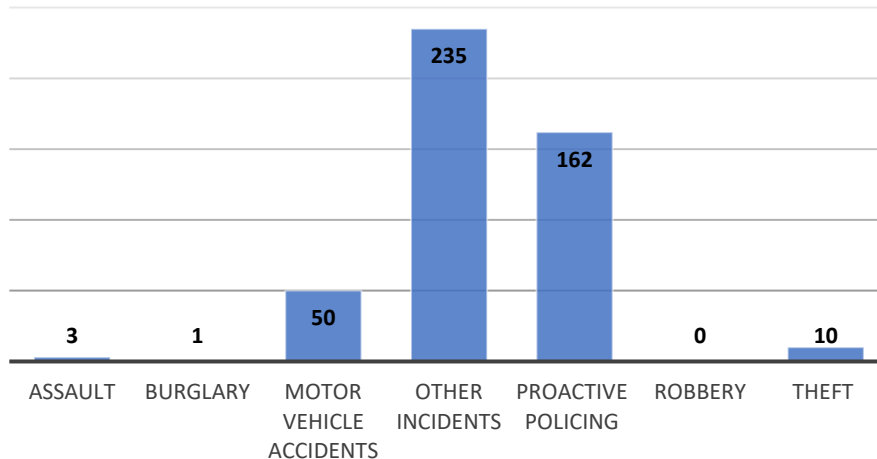
Description	Bi-Weekly Totals	FYTD 2020 Totals
Complaint Responses Performed	18	18
Fines Issued	2	2
Outreach Events / Meetings Attended	1	1
Violation Notices Issued	4	4
Warnings Issued	22	22
Total Services Provided:	47	47

Note:

1. *“FYTD” means Fiscal Year to Date, starting from July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2019.*
2. *“Accumulation of Garbage / Rubbish” includes violations pertaining to the storage of waste materials in interior or exterior property areas.*
3. *“Exterior Conditions” include, but not limited to; chipping, flaking, and peeling paint, graffiti, storage of inoperable vehicles, damaged accessory structures, driveways, doors, overhangs, roofs, stairways, walls, windows, and other exterior components.*
4. *“Interior Conditions” include, but not limited to; cracks and holes in ceilings, floors, and walls, missing stair railings, water-damaged surfaces, and lack of proper ventilation.*
5. *“Overgrown Weeds” include grass or weeds more than 10 inches in height.*
6. *“Safety” includes, but not limited to; damaged/missing electrical outlets, covers, light fixtures, carbon monoxide and /or smoke detectors, lack of escape windows in bedrooms, missing address numbers, major structural damage, and unsafe buildings.*
7. *“Sanitation” includes, but not limited to; insect/rodent infestation, mildew/mold on surfaces, uncleanliness, and storage of hazardous waste.*

Public Safety

461 Calls for Police Service 07/11/19 to 07/24/19



Calls for Service defined: A call for service is any activity performed by a sworn police officer in the performance of their assigned duties. Calls for service covers both proactive activities such as area checks and traffic enforcement; as well as a portion of field investigative reports, traffic accidents, and response to various incidents. Calls received for dispatch are also included in the calls for service total.

Staff are working to enhance reporting capabilities to more accurately differentiate between proactive police actions and responding to dispatched incidents. The above chart illustrates that at a minimum, 162 or 35 percent of calls for service were proactive actions on the part of the Town's police officers.

Proactive Policing includes traffic safety, business and residential checks, field interviews, and quality of life issues.

Other Incidents includes disorderly complaints, fights, suspicious subjects/vehicles, parking complaints, traffic complaints, and citizen assists.

Highlighted reports:

- Officers responded to a business in the 4500 block of Van Buren Street for a commercial burglary. The investigation revealed a suspect entered the business and stole U.S. currency. Through investigative means the suspect was identified as an employee. The management elected not prosecute the suspect, preferring to handle the matter internally.
- Officers responded to the 4700 block of Oliver Street for a hit and run motor vehicle collision involving several vehicles. Witnesses provided the dispatcher with a suspect description and direction of travel. Responding officers located and arrested the suspect a short distance away.

The individual was charged with driving while intoxicated and leaving the scene of a property damage accident.

- Officers responded to a business in the 6200 block of Kenilworth Avenue for a disorderly person. The business owner reported an intoxicated individual refusing to pay their bill. The individual was removed from the property and issued a no trespass order from ownership.
- Officers responded to a motor vehicle collision involving a utility pole in the 5400 block of 54th Avenue. The investigation revealed the operator of a 2009 Nissan was intoxicated, drove off the roadway and struck a utility pole. The operator of the vehicle was placed under arrest for driving while intoxicated.
- Officers responded to a business in the 5700 block of Rivertech Court for a theft complaint. The business manager reported the theft of U.S. Currency. Through investigative means the suspect was identified and charged with theft.
- Officers conducted a traffic stop for a registration violation in the 4900 block of East West Highway. A records check revealed the driver to have an active arrest warrant through the Prince George's County Sheriff's Office for theft under \$1000. The driver was arrested and released into the custody of the Sheriff's Office.
- Officers responded to a business in the 4400 block of East West Highway for a fraud complaint. The business manager reported an unknown suspect cashed two fraudulent checks valued over \$10,000. Through investigative means the suspect was identified and charge with theft and fraud.
- Officers responded to a business in the 5600 block of Riverdale Road for a trespassing complaint. The business manager reported an individual inside of the store causing a disturbance. Officers learned the individual had previously been issued a no trespass order from the business. The individual was escorted from the property and issued a criminal citation for trespassing.
- Officers responded to the 4700 block of Queensbury Road for a domestic dispute. The investigation revealed two people were involved in a verbal altercation. A records check revealed that one of the parties had obtained a protective order against the other. The individual subject to the order was placed under arrest for violation of a protective order and transported to the Department of Corrections.

Respectfully submitted,



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