

Administration

- Meetings with Staff: Staff are available for virtual meetings while the Town buildings are closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Virtual meetings can be scheduled by phone or by e-mail. If you need assistance with scheduling a virtual meeting, please call 301-927-6381.
- Remote Notary Services available: Staff are available to perform Remote Notary Services for Town residents. Remote Notary Services will be performed through a virtual platform approved by the Maryland Secretary of State. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Keith Robinson at krobinson@riverdaleparkmd.gov, Denisa Caballero at dcaballero@riverdaleparkmd.gov, or call 301-927-6381.

Council Direction Summary

The Mayor and Council provided direction to staff through the following Legislative Actions:

1. Motion to authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with Bates Trucking to settle existing contractual disputes under the six terms discussed during the Closed Meeting - ***Approved***
2. Fence Permit Request: 6-foot cedar picket fence in the backyard of 5408 Taylor Road - ***Approved***
3. Fence Permit Request: 6-foot wooden privacy fence in the backyard of 4808 Somerset Road - ***Approved***
4. Motion to authorize the Town Manager to sign a contract and subsequent documents to participate in the Ford Credit Municipal Lease/Purchase Finance Program through Hertrich Fleet Service, Inc. and upfit vehicles with Front Line Mobile Tech - ***Approved***
5. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-05 extending sunset of Farmers Market Dollars Program - ***Adopted***
6. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-06 extending sunset of Business Growth Grant Program - ***Adopted***
7. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-07 extending sunset of Business Improvement Grant Program - ***Adopted***
8. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-08 extending sunset of Resident-Restaurant-Town Partnership Program - ***Adopted***
9. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-09 extending sunset of Emergency Repair Grant Program - ***Adopted***
10. Motion to authorize residential permit fees to be waived until December 31, 2021 - ***Adopted***

Community Engagement

- Second Dose COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic to be held at Town Hall: On June 17th Luminis Health will be holding a second dose Vaccination Clinic at Town Hall. The Town is also working with Luminis to schedule a pop-up vaccination clinic at the Farmers Market in the coming weeks.
- Community Input: Input from the community is welcomed and encouraged as we navigate a new medium for holding public meetings. The public is invited to join the meetings virtually or e-mail comments to community_input@riverdaleparkmd.gov. The internet or a smart phone are

not the only ways to join in. You may also call from a landline telephone to listen to the meeting and provide comments or call Town staff prior to the meeting and we will assist you with submitting your comments. We look forward to hearing from you!

- International Property Maintenance Code: Currently the Town follows the Prince George’s County Property Maintenance Code which is based on the 2000 International Property Maintenance Code. The County’s code is only applicable to residential structures. The 2018 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) applies to both residential and commercial structures and has been discussed at Council meetings over the last several months. The 2018 International Property Maintenance Code is available for review on the Town’s website at <http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov/2018%20IPMC.pdf>. Community Input is encouraged and welcomed. Comments may be e-mailed to Community_Input@riverdaleparkmd.gov.

- Trash Concerns App Streamlines Process: In partnership with Bates Trucking and Trash Services, the Town has 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.



- Social Media Outreach: We reached (and surpassed) our goal of increasing our followers to 2,000 by the end of May! Thank you to those who follow the Town on our social media platforms. The Town’s social media continues to expand our reach in sharing information. The Town’s website remains the primary source for electronic information. Facebook and secondary Twitter accounts expand efforts to amplify our messaging. At this time of great change, it is important that residents and businesses assist the Town in growing our social media outreach. As of today, you have increased followers to 2,021. If you have not 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 and ask that you join us:
 - Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/riverdaleparkmd_gov/?hl=en
 - Twitter: https://twitter.com/Riverdale_Park
 - YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeaNS8-6xwTyPJculj7vuCQ/videos?view_as=subscriber

Environment

- Mosquito Control Program: The Town will once again participate in the Maryland Department of Agriculture’s Mosquito Control Program. Spray season began at the end of May and is anticipated to end in mid-September.

Spraying will take place after dark on **Tuesdays** and may continue until midnight or later. Spraying will commence as soon as it is dark. As a precaution, it is advised that residents stay inside their homes and close their windows while the spray truck is in the vicinity, bring in any pets, and remain in the home for 20-30 minutes after the spray truck has passed by. If there are

people outside when the truck passes by, no spray will be released, and the truck will not make another pass down that street.

The spray schedule will rotate every 3 weeks meaning that Riverdale Park may not be sprayed each week. The frequency of spraying will be determined by surveillance data collected and complaints received. In order to determine if your community will be sprayed on its scheduled spray night, please contact 301-422-5080 between 2-4 p.m. that day. Any unscheduled sprayings will be announced on the Maryland Department of Agriculture's webpage www.mda.maryland.gov or on Twitter @MdAgMosquito and @MdAgDept.

For more information regarding the Department of Agriculture's Mosquito Control Program, visit http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito_control.aspx.

- **WSSC Notification System:** If there is a water or sewer emergency in or near your neighborhood, get alerts via text or email. Visit <http://wsscwater.com/cns> to register.
- **Bates Bulk Trash Pick-up Services:** As a reminder, Bulk Trash Collection is provided by appointment only. To schedule an appointment for pick-up, call 301-773-2069. Only 3 bulk items are permitted per week.
- **Yard Waste Mondays:** Yard waste collection is every Monday. Yard waste needs to 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 reusable 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:** The Recycling Collection Program is provided by Prince George's County. Items will not be collected if the items to be recycled are placed in any type of plastic bag. Town staff continue to receive reports that recycling items placed for pick-up are in plastic bags. 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.

Development

- **Emergency Repairs Grant Available:** The Town is soliciting grant applications from homeowners and businessowners. This grant program is designed to assist with emergency repairs in homes and businesses that would otherwise not be addressed. Successful applicants can be reimbursed for up to \$2,000 after work has been completed and paid for. An "emergency repair" is defined as a situation that is life-threatening or one that prohibits someone from living in decent, safe, and sanitary conditions or is needed for the safe and continual operation of a

business. For more information, please visit

http://www.riverdaleparkmd.info/residents/emergency_repair_grant.php.

- **Purple Line Updates:**

- Temporary Lane Closures on River Road and Rivertech Court: Beginning on or about June 9, 2021, crews will resume underground utility relocation at the intersection of River Road (MD 431) and Rivertech Court for approximately three weeks, weather permitting. Temporary lane closures along both River Road and Rivertech Court will occur. Work may take place from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays, and as needed, on weekends.
- Pedestrian Detour on Baltimore Avenue and Rossborough Lane: On June 1, 2021, the Purple Line implemented a pedestrian detour along Baltimore Avenue (Route 1) between Hotel Drive and Fraternity Row. This detour will remain in effect until approximately August 31, 2021. The bus stop adjacent to Ritchie Coliseum will remain open during this time. The detour can be viewed here: bit.ly/3yw0KKSQ
- Work Zone Safety: As work increases along the alignment, the Purple Line team remains committed to keeping everyone safe. Pedestrians and motorists are advised to follow construction signage and use the open sidewalk(s). For the safety of the public and the construction team, entry into construction work zones is not permitted.
- Temporary Lane Closures on River Road and Rivertech Court- Update: Beginning on or about June 14, 2021, crews will resume underground utility relocation at the intersection of River Road (MD 431) and Rivertech Court for approximately three weeks, weather permitting. Temporary lane closures along both River Road and Rivertech Court will occur. Work may take place from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays, and as needed, on weekends.

- **Purple Line Construction Notices:** Residents are encouraged to subscribe for updates via e-mail or text message. For the most accurate and up-to-date information, visit www.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:

- General Website: <https://thestationrp.com/>
- Facebook: Riverdale Park Station: <https://www.facebook.com/TheStationRP/>
- Twitter: @thestationrp: <https://twitter.com/thestationrp>
- Instagram: thestationrp: <https://www.instagram.com/thestationrp/>

- **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:

Historic Preservation Commission: June 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Virtual Meeting.

http://www.pgparcs.com/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/_06152021-550

Planning Board: June 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Virtual Meeting.

<http://mncppc.iqm2.com/Citizens/FileOpen.aspx?Type=14&ID=1587&Inline=True>

Board of License Commissioners: *No information available at time of report.*

- Development Activities from May 27, 2021 to June 9, 2021

Permits: Building / Storage Containers

Description	Bi-Weekly Totals	FYTD 2021 Totals
Permit Inspections Conducted	1	36
Building Permits Issued	2	34
Stop Work Orders Issued	1	17

Permits Issued:

Permit #	Address	Work Description	Est. Investment
2021-B-33	5408 Taylor Road	Install 6 Foot Fence	\$10,000
2021-B-34	4808 Somerset Road	Install 6 Foot Fence	\$15,500
Est. Investment Bi- Weekly Total:			\$25,500
Est. Investment FYTD 2021 Total:			\$3,240,980

Licenses:

Description	Bi-Weekly Totals	FYTD 2021 Totals
Multifamily Rental Inspection Conducted	1	22
Multifamily Licenses Issued	0	20
Single-family Rental Inspection	2	69
Single-family Licenses Issued	0	68
Business License Inspections Conducted	0	132
Business Licenses Issued	0	132

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- Neighborhood Improvement Activities from May 27, 2021 to June 9, 2021

Community Standards Violations by Type:

Description	Bi-Weekly Totals	FYTD 2021 Totals
Accumulation of Garbage / Rubbish	4	78
Exterior Conditions	3	138
Interior Conditions	2	133
Overgrown Grass / Weeds	4	29
Safety	6	87
Sanitation	4	18
Total Violations Found:	23	483

Services Provided by Type:

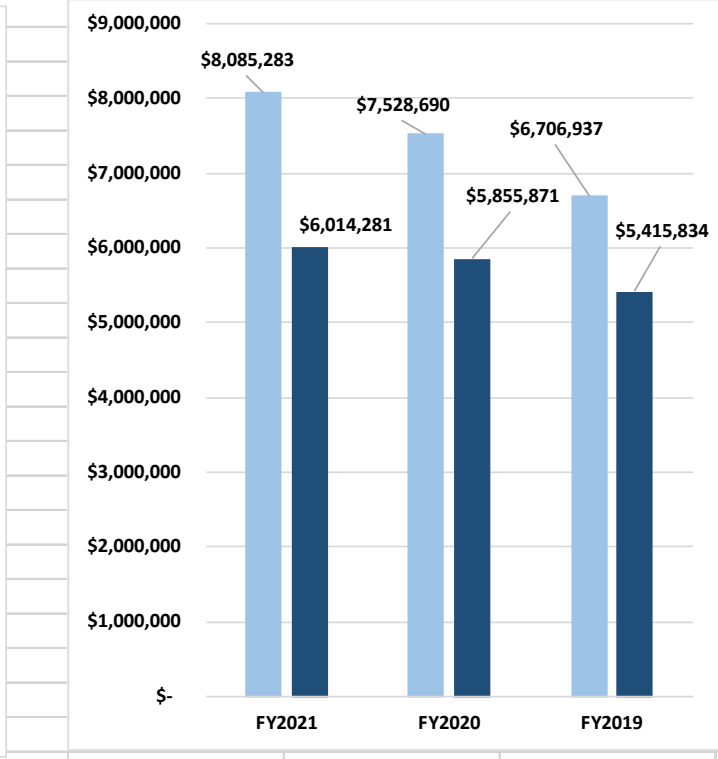
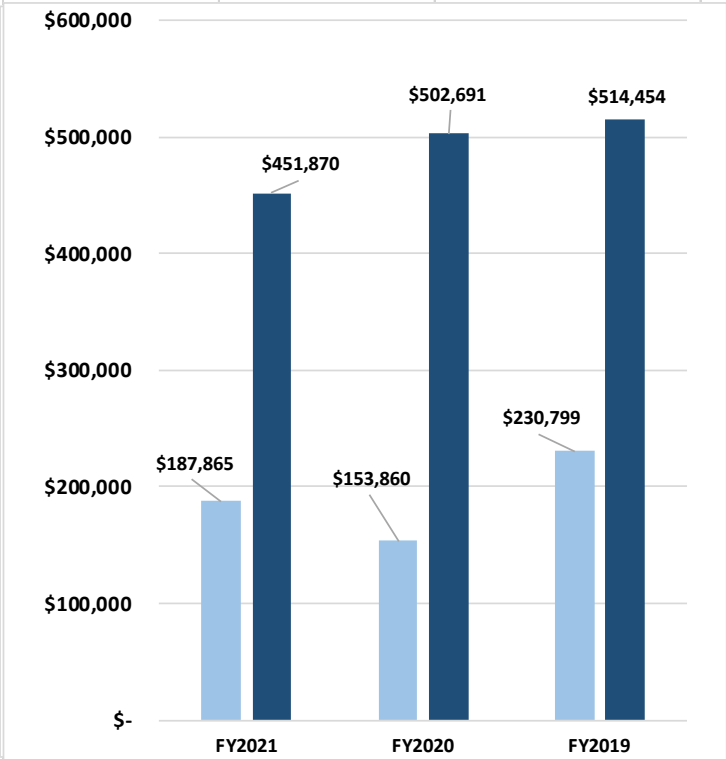
Description	Bi-Weekly Totals	FYTD 2021 Totals
Complaint Responses Performed	13	191
Fines Issued	3	11
Outreach Events / Meetings Attended	1	53
Violation Notices Issued	7	144
Warnings Issued	8	136
Total Services Provided:	32	535

Note:

1. *“FYTD” means Fiscal Year to Date, starting from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021.*
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.*

Finance

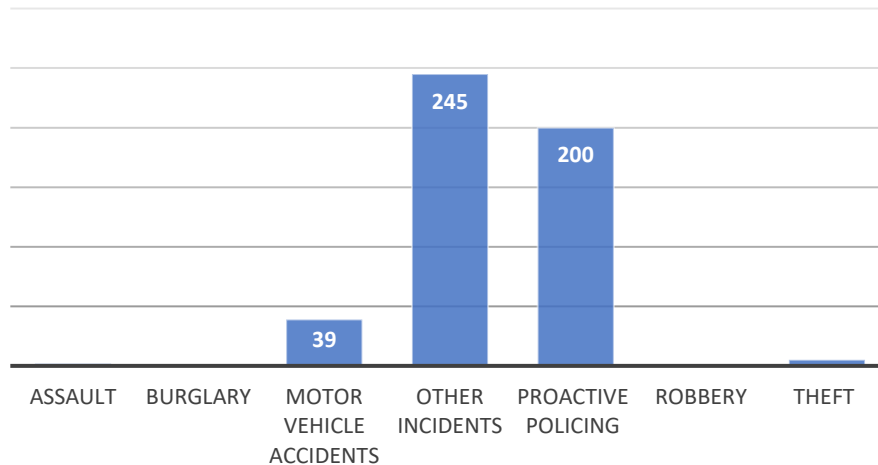
May			YTD Total		
FY2021	FY2020	FY2019	FY2021	FY2020	FY2019
\$ 365,367	\$ 312,195	\$ 218,777	\$ 8,085,283	\$ 7,528,690	\$ 6,706,937
\$ 438,747	\$ 510,598	\$ 548,839	\$ 6,014,281	\$ 5,855,871	\$ 5,415,834
\$ (73,380)	\$ (198,403)	\$ (330,062)	\$ 2,071,002	\$ 1,672,819	\$ 1,291,103



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Public Safety

492 Calls for Police Service 05/27/2021 to 06/09/2021



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, 200 or 41 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 assisting individuals.

Highlighted reports:

- Officers responded to a business in the 5400 block of Kenilworth Avenue for a disorderly complaint. The business manager reported that an intoxicated individual was inside the business harassing customers and refusing to leave. The individual was removed from the business and issued a criminal citation for trespassing.
- Officers responded to a business in the 5800 block of Riverdale Road for a trespassing complaint. The individual was contacted, and a records check revealed an active arrest warrant for failure to appear. The individual was placed under arrest and transported to the Department of Corrections.

- Officers responded to a business in the 5600 block of Riverdale Road for a check on the welfare. An employee reported an individual inside the restroom who appeared to be under the influence of drugs. The individual was contacted, and a records check revealed an active arrest warrant for larceny. A search incident to arrest revealed the individual was possession of suspected Heroin. The individual was placed under arrest and transported to the Department of Corrections.
- Officers responded to the 5600 block of Riverdale Road for a stolen vehicle. The owner reported that his 2015 Ford Explorer was stolen by an unknown suspect. A few days later officers located the vehicle occupied and placed the suspect under arrest for motor vehicle theft.
- Officers responded to a business in the 6600 block of Baltimore Avenue for a suspicious person. An employee reported an individual inside the business who was causing a disturbance. The individual was contacted, and a records check revealed an active arrest warrant for a parole retake order. The individual was placed under arrest and transported to the Department of Corrections.
- Officers responded to a business in the 5700 block of Riverdale Road for a robbery. The investigation revealed the victim was approached from behind by two unknown suspects while using the ATM machine. One of the suspects produced a handgun and demanded the victim withdraw funds from the ATM. The victim complied and the suspects fled in a red colored SUV. The victim was not injured, and the investigation is ongoing.
- Officers responded to a business in the 5600 block of Riverdale Road for a motor vehicle collision. The driver of the striking vehicle failed field sobriety testing and was placed under arrest for driving while intoxicated.
- Officers conducted a traffic stop in the 5500 block of Kenilworth Avenue. A records check revealed the driver to have an active arrest warrant for 2nd degree assault. The driver was placed under arrest and transported to the Department of Corrections.

Respectfully submitted,



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