Darien Police Department

Monthly Report

September 2019



General Information

Resolution of Problems

Periodically you may hear at a City Council meeting during the communications portion of the agenda a comment an alderman may make to the police that a resident contacted them regarding a certain problem. Generally this is not the first time the police are hearing about the complaint. Typically an alderman is not holding the complaint to be discussed at the City Council meeting. At the City Council meeting, the alderman is discussing situations where they were contacted by a constituent about a particular problem. For the most part the alderman has already contacted the police to have the problem resolved. However, some problems require a longer term fix other issues can be rectified with one interaction.

Also just because it wasn't brought up at the City Council meeting doesn't mean your alderman hasn't the police department to rectify the situation. More times than not I receive communications in between council meetings with issues and they are resolved and it doesn't get discussed at a council meeting.

When we (police) do get a complaint from an alderman and depending on the type of complaint they are forwarding from a constituent guides our response. For example, if it was a situation where it was a one-time thing and the situation too late to have police intervention there isn't much we can do about it. For this situation it would have been best to call 9-1-1. If however, it is a reoccurring situation then it is best to give more information. For example, speeding along Plainfield Road doesn't give us much to go on. If we opt to enforce during the weekend when the speeding is during the weekdays we were in the wrong place at the wrong time taking the wrong enforcement action. When you complain to an alderman please remember to provide time of day, day of the week and specific location. We would like to respond where we are most likely to resolve the situation. Comments, typically born out of frustration, such as all the time, or every day, or 100 MPH over the limit doesn't give much direction. When we spend time and see no violators then no one is satisfied.

We have software called Frontline. Some of you may be familiar as we use Frontline to monitor overnight parking. The software does more and one of the items we use Frontline for is directed patrols. When various complaints come in (e.g. parking, speeding, stop sign, etc.) we will log it into Frontline. When an officer monitors the situation s/he will document the date and time so we know that officers are taking action on resident's complaints.

One last comment and it isn't to cut the alderman out of the process as you can always do both, but remember you can call 9-1-1 and have an officer respond at the time. For example, a car parked across the sidewalk by the time you go through your alderman and your alderman contacts me and I send it to patrol for action the violator is most likely going to be gone. Call 9-1-1 and if an officer is not on a more serious call they will handle it at the time. If it is a constant reoccurring problem a call to myself or the deputy chief or your alderman is also advised. Telling the 9-1-1 operator does not get forwarded to the chief or deputy chief.

Resolutions of problems don't always take the form of enforcement. In fact many times people see enforcement as a cost of doing business, will hope that they don't get caught, are at times

motivated by conflict between neighbors, personalities, etc. Police approach these residents' complaints with a philosophy of Problem Oriented Policing. Not to enforce the situation, but to solve the situation. Enforcement, either a warning or a citation, typically is only part of the solution.

Here are some examples of complaints received and how they were resolved / acted upon.

	Complaint Status									
Type	Location	DOW	HOD	Enforcement Action						
				From 09/05 to 09/19 officers monitored the location for a total of 99.43 hours. During that						
	800 Block			time officers made 26 traffic stops; issuing 17						
Speeding	67th Street	Weekdays	6:00AM	written warnings / 9 citations.						
				From 09/24 to 10/04 officers checked the						
			Early	location 21 times for violators. Officers saw						
Zoning	DTC	Frequent	Morning	one violation and issued 1 warning.						

Your alderman and police are here to help the best we can so please ask.

Calls for Service

Due to a switch to a new software to manage Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) we are unable to provide data regarding calls for service at this time.

Crime Summary

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Part 1 Offenses											
	<u>Sep</u> 2019	<u>Sep</u> 2018	<u>Sep</u> 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	YTD 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change	
Murder	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	2	0	-100.0%	0.0%	
Sexual Assault	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	3	11	1	-72.7%	200.0%	
Robbery	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	1	1	3	0.0%	-66.7%	
Assault & Battery	0	0	1	0.0%	-100.0%	1	3	7	-66.7%	-85.7%	
Violent Crime	0	0	1	0.0%	-100.0%	5	17	11	-70.6%	-54.5%	
Burglary	3	4	5	-25.0%	-40.0%	25	16	34	56.3%	-26.5%	
Theft	11	20	40	-45.0%	-72.5%	104	112	262	-7.1%	-60.3%	
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	3	0.0%	-100.0%	8	6	4	33.3%	100.0%	
Arson	0	0	4	0.0%	-100.0%	0	0	19	0.0%	-100.0%	
Property Crime	14	24	52	-41.7%	-73.1%	137	134	319	2.2%	-57.1%	
Part One Crime	14	24	53	-41.7%	-73.6%	142	151	330	-6.0%	-57.0%	

Part 2 Offenses											
	<u>Sep</u> 2019	<u>Sep</u> 2018	<u>Sep</u> 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	YTD 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change	
Assault	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	4	3	0	33.3%	0.0%	
Battery	2	4	0	-50.0%	0.0%	29	30	0	-3.3%	0.0%	
Domestic Battery	0	3	0	-100.0%	0.0%	23	51	0	-54.9%	0.0%	
Criminal Damage	3	3	0	0.0%	0.0%	26	26	0	0.0%	0.0%	
Criminal Trespass	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	11	7	0	57.1%	0.0%	
Disorderly Conduct	4	8	0	-50.0%	0.0%	29	35	0	-17.1%	0.0%	

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Murder	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Sexual Assault	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Robbery	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	2	0.0%	-100.0%
Assault & Battery	0	0	1	0.0%	-100.0%	1	1	5	0.0%	-80.0%
Violent Crime	0	0	1	0.0%	-100.0%	1	1	7	0.0%	-85.7%
Burglary	0	1	0	-100.0%	0.0%	4	1	1	300.0%	300.0%
Theft	4	5	9	-20.0%	-55.6%	25	47	106	-46.8%	-76.4%
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	2	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Arson	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Property Crime	4	6	9	-33.3%	-55.6%	31	48	107	-35.4%	-71.0%
Part One Crime	4	6	10	-33.3%	-60.0%	32	49	114	-34.7%	-71.9%

Part Two Offenses

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Assault	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Battery	0	2	1	-100.0%	-100.0%	3	9	10	-66.7%	-70.0%
Domestic Battery	1	2	0	-50.0%	0.0%	11	25	14	-56.0%	-21.4%
Criminal Damage	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	5	4	5	25.0%	0.0%
Criminal Trespass	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	7	2	1	250.0%	600.0%
Disorderly Conduct	1	4	2	-75.0%	-50.0%	10	26	14	-61.5%	-28.6%
Alcohol Possession	0	2	0	-100.0%	0.0%	2	4	1	-50.0%	100.0%
Alcohol Consumption	0	1	0	-100.0%	0.0%	6	8	8	-25.0%	-25.0%

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Drug Related Offenses										
	<u>Sep</u> 2019	<u>Sep</u> 2018	<u>Sep</u> 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	YTD 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change
Cannabis	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	2	23	-100.0%	-100.0%
Controlled Substance	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	6	4	7	50.0%	-14.3%
Hypodermic Syringes	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	1	0.0%	-100.0%
Drug Paraphernalia	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	1	18	-100.0%	-100.0%
Methamphetamine	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Adult / Juvenile										
	<u>Sep</u> 2019	<u>Sep</u> 2018	<u>Sep</u> 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	YTD 2014	1 Year Change	5 Year Change
Adult	14	20	0	-30.0%	0.0%	133	239	34	-44.4%	291.2%
Juvenile	0	6	0	-100.0%	0.0%	16	36	4	-55.6%	300.0%
Warrants										
Served	<u>Sep</u> 2019	Sep 2018 1	<u>Sep</u> 2014 6	1 Year Change 600.0%	5 Year Change 16.7%	YTD 2019 31	YTD 2018 41	YTD 2014 28	1 Year Change -24.4%	5 Year Change 10.7%

Traffic Summary September 2019

Accidents											
Type of Accident	<u>Sept</u> 2019	<u>Sept</u> 2018	Percent Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	Percent Change					
Property Damage	41	42	-2.4%	395	422	-6.4%					
Personal Injury	7	5	40.0%	50	54	-7.4%					
Fatal	1	0	0.0%	1	0	0.0%					
Total	49	47	4.3%	446	476	-6.3%					
Fatalities	1	0	0.0%	1	0	0.0%					
Hit & Run	6	5	20.0%	54	63	-14.3%					
Private Property	13	20	-35.0%	160	164	-2.4%					
DUI	0	0	0.0%	3	1	200.0%					

Traffic Summary (continued) September 2019

Enforcement

	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Sept</u>	Percent	<u>YTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>	Percent
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	Change
Traffic Stops	365	375	-2.7%	3349	2863	17.0%
Moving Citation	102	95	7.4%	809	878	-7.9%
Moving Warning	160	176	-9.1%	1373	1182	16.2%
Total Moving	262	271	-3.3%	2182	2060	5.9%
Non-Moving Citation	51	71	-28.2%	594	552	7.6%
Non-Moving Warning	107	102	4.9%	1078	752	43.4%
Total Non-Moving	158	173	-8.7%	1672	1304	28.2%
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Total Warning	267	278	-4.0%	2451	1934	26.7%
Total Citations	153	166	-7.8%	1403	1430	-1.9%
Total Enforcement Actions	420	444	-5.4%	3854	3364	14.6%
DUI Arrests	5	4	25.0%	48	59	-18.6%
Category						
Speed	178	167	6.6%	1436	1334	7.6%
Registration	49	47	4.3%	505	410	23.2%
Traffic Sign or Signal	41	48	-14.6%	304	353	-13.9%
Equipment	41	38	7.9%	471	281	67.6%
Distracted Driving	30	37	-18.9%	284	249	14.1%
Insurance	19	26	-26.9%	191	179	6.7%
Lane Violation	17	25	-32.0%	194	178	9.0%
License	14	14	0.0%	170	130	30.8%
Signal	12	14	-14.3%	85	75	13.3%
Yield	5	5	0.0%	49	43	14.0%
Seat Belt	1	7	-85.7%	23	43	-46.5%
Other	5	7	-28.6%	47	31	51.6%
Accident	8	7	14.3%	82	38	115.8%
Parking	0	1	-100.0%	8	14	-42.9%
Alcohol	0	1	-100.0%	2	6	-66.7%
Reckless	0	0	0.0%	3	0	0.0%