

## Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 20, 2019

**Attendance:** Penny Sweet, Toby Nixon, Jon Pascal, Kurt Triplett, Tracey Dunlap, Chief Harris, Chief Sanford, Judge Lambo, Tracy Jeffries, Kevin Raymond, Officer Lisenby, Amy Bolen, Rod Steitzer (items 1-3 only), Anneke Davis (items 1-3 only)

### Agenda Item:

### Action Items:

#### 1. Animal Control 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Update

Chief Harris reviewed Attachment 1. PD is currently canvassing for pet licenses and will also have a booth at Wednesday Market and Petapalooza on tour at various Kirkland parks over the summer. Committee suggested possible canvassing at neighborhood picnics (such as Dennyfest). Animal Control Officer is working earlier hours during summer to police off-leash pets in parks. Council noted that overall they are very glad the City took animal control in-house.

- Chief Harris will add Park Ranger's activity related to off-leash pets to the Animal Control dashboard and will look into opportunity to canvass at picnics.

#### 2. Crime Dashboard 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Update

Chief Harris reviewed Attachment 2. Committee members are interested in tracking efforts on crime prevention to share with community. When FBI stats are posted next, would like to see comparison of Kirkland's results to neighboring cities.

- Chief Harris will report back when FBI stats are available and options for reporting on prevention efforts.

#### 3. Fire Station Project Updates

Kevin Raymond gave update on condemnation of Rite Aid property. Tracey provided update on Fire Station 27 site acquisition. Anneke Davis provided update on Station 24 design and preliminary schedule based on next steps in condemnation process. An updated cost estimate will be provided in the CIP update to Council. Fire Station 25 accept work is on the Consent calendar in July and \$81,000 in remaining funding will be moved to Station 24 project.

- No specific actions for this item.

#### 4. Woodinville Jail Contract Update

Tracey Dunlap noted contract negotiation is about 80% complete and she will take the lead to complete it given Marilynne's retirement. Woodinville's representative has also left, so staff will be meeting with Woodinville to establish plan for moving the contract forward to completion.

- No specific actions for this item.

**5. Bothell Court Study**

Tracey Dunlap shared highlights of consultant presentation made to Bothell City Council on June 18 that evaluated options including expanding the Bothell Court, joining the King County District Court, or contracting with another municipal court (with Kirkland as the example). No specific direction was provided and Bothell Council will deliberate further on this topic in the fall.

- The consultant slides are available starting on p. 61 at this [link](#).

**Next Meeting:**

July 18 (keep this meeting if there are agenda items)  
Cancel August 15 meeting



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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Kurt Triplett, City Manager

**From:** Cherie Harris, Chief of Police

**Date:** 05-28-19

**Subject:** Animal Services Quarterly Report – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2019

Staff recommends providing an update on the Animal Services Program for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019 to the Public Safety Committee.

**Expenditures vs. licensing revenue is expected to continue to grow in a positive way:**

2019	Expenditures	Revenue	Donations
1st Quarter	\$42,349	\$62,820	\$1,214

**The following table depicts 1st quarter sheltering and intake activity:**

Everett Shelter Intakes				
Dogs	Cats	Other	Total	Est. Total \$
7	6	1	14	\$2,229.60
KPD Intake				
Dogs	Cats	Other	Total	Est. Total \$
11	8	1	20	\$0.00
Veterinary Care				
Dogs	Cats	Other	Total	Est. Total \$
9	2	0	11	\$1,647.36
Meow Cat Rescue/RASK acceptance of Kirkland Pets				
Dogs	Cats	Other	Total	Est. Total \$
0	0	0	0	\$0.00
Total Intake and Cost				
27	16	2	45	\$3,876.96

**Pet Data activity by month (including City Hall & Police Department):**

Rask - 2016		Kirkland -2018	1 year	2 year	Replace	Total	Kirkland -2019	1 year	2 year	Replace	Total
January	658	January	120	35	1	156	January	467	55	1	523
February	779	February	387	45	6	438	February	488	64	1	553
March	768	March	530	51	4	585	March	581	75	2	658
Total	2205		1037	131	11	1179		1536	194	4	1734

**Animal Control Officer Activity:**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Quantity</b>
Calls for Service Responded To	178
Lost Animals Reunited with Their Owners	4
Off Leash Dog Warnings	17
Off Leash Dog Tickets	9
On-view (Foot Patrol etc.)	8
Community Events / Meetings Attended	12
Warnings Given	20
Criminal Citations Issued	2
Notices of Infraction Issued	23
Cases Written	12
Cases Filed with the Prosecutor	2
Barking Dog Complaints Responded To	7
Hobby Kennel/ Cattery License	0
Dog Bite Complaints Responded To	6

**License Canvassing:**

Canvassing refresher training was conducted in late April. 2019 canvassing efforts will commence in May.

**Parks Enhanced Leash Law Enforcement (Kris Meyers):**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Quantity</b>
Hours worked	48
Written warnings	26
Tickets	9
Contacts	140
License pamphlets handed out	30

**Notes from a selection of calls Animal Services responded to during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter:**

#19-5410 ACO Matison responded to a 7-year-old poodle mix type dog, "Tux", running at large in traffic. Tux did not have a current Kirkland Pet License and was held at EAS for owner pickup. The owner received a civil infraction for violation of KMC 8.09.130 Pet licenses, and 8.09.400 Public nuisances (3) and will pay the impound fee.

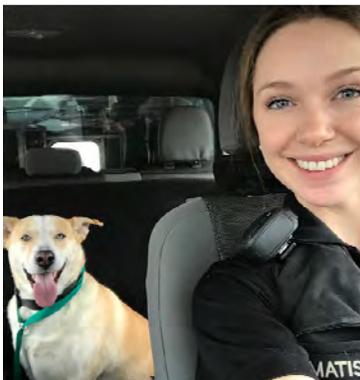
#19-9190 ACO Matison responded to a call for service regarding Two Pitbulls running at large who were reported to have aggressively approached an individual on a bike. The dogs barked, growled, lunged and circled at the individual. The reporting party did not sustain any injuries and was able to calm the dogs down. The owner of the dogs received a civil infraction for dog at large, 14-day notice to obtain a Kirkland Pet License and written warning for animal showing vicious propensities.

- #19-1036 ACO Matison received a voicemail from an elderly woman who stated she was thinking of "ending her life" due to the neighbor's dog barking. The Reporting Party made several complaints and sent multiple emails to animal control regarding the barking. However, the dog barks one or two times and then is brought inside the owner. This does not violate KMC 8.09.400 Nuisance Animal. Based on the voicemail and emails, MHP Kroll was asked to assist and provide resources.
- #19-2780 ACO Matison received a request by an Officer for a welfare-check on a Pitbull that appeared to show signs of neglect. The owner of the Pitbull refused any resources, which resulted in the dog being seized under warrant for veterinary treatment. The dog was transferred to Everett Animal Shelter to be held under investigation while it receiving medical treatment.
- #19-4613 ACO Matison responded to a call for service for two large German shepherds trying to attack a small dog inside the dog park. The reporting party also claimed that she was shoved by one of the shepherds' owners. After speaking with both parties, it appears the two shepherds were merely attempting to play. The owners of the shepherds received a verbal warning for keeping their dogs under control, even in the dog park.

Matison returned a Stuffy Puppy to its rightful owner!



This sweet girl was returned home after escaping the owners backyard



ACO Matison retrieved a 6-foot snake that was found abandoned behind an apartment complex!



ACO Matison picked up this sweet boy after he wandered into Petco. He had no microchip, collar, or tags and eventually he was adopted out of Everett Animal Shelter to a new loving family.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Crime Summary – 2019

**Murder:** There were no murders in first quarter of 2019. The last murder in Kirkland was in 2017.

**Sex Offenses:** This category includes crimes such as rape, child molestation, indecent liberties, and voyeurism. There were 13 cases reported in the first quarter which is up 19% from the weighted average of the same period over the past seven years. This category is prone to fluctuations and the current level is within the expected range.

**Robbery:** There were 9 robberies reported in the first three months of the year. This is up 137% over the weighted average of the same period over the past seven years. An analysis of the robberies shows that two of the cases appear to be related and involve offenders and victims who are known to each other and share criminal activity. In six of the cases the offenders have been identified and charged; and in one more case an identification of the perpetrator is pending. It is important to note that robberies are not a frequent crime in Kirkland and fluctuations in small numbers can result in large percentage changes.

**Aggravated Assault:** There were 14 aggravated assaults in the first quarter of 2019. This is up 66% over the weighted average of the same period over the past seven years. Like robberies, aggravated assaults are not a frequent crime in Kirkland and fluctuations in small numbers can result in large percentage changes. In 12 of the 14 cases, the suspects were either booked or charges were filed. Three of the assaults were domestic violence related. There were two drive-by shootings which are not believed to be related to each other; arrests were made in one case and the other case is being actively investigated.

**Residential Burglary:** There were 21 residential burglaries reported in the first quarter of 2019, representing a decline of 52% from the weighted average of the past seven years. Residential burglaries have trended downward over the past several years.

**Commercial Burglary:** We had 13 commercial burglaries in the first quarter of 2019 which represents a 42% decrease from the weighted average of the same period over the past seven years. After the arrest of a couple of prolific burglars last year, commercial burglaries have returned to low levels.

**Motor Vehicle Theft:** There were 26 auto theft reports in the first quarter, representing a decrease of 39% from the weighted average of the same period over the previous seven years. Auto thefts in Kirkland have slowed after peaking in 2017.

**Car Prowl:** There were 88 car prowls reported citywide in the first quarter of 2019, representing a 42% decrease from the weighted average of the same period over the past seven years. Prowls are at the lowest level in the first quarter since 2012.

**DUI:** There were 73 DUI arrests made in in the first quarter of 2019, reversing a four-year downward trend. This represents a 11% increase from the weighted average of the same period over the past seven years.

**Collisions:** 293 collisions were reported in the first quarter of 2019, a 19% decrease from the weighted average of the same period over the past seven years. Collisions are at the lowest level for the first quarter since before annexation in 2011.

# Kirkland Police Department Dashboard

January 1 to March 31, 2019

Crimes of Interest	2012-2018 Wtd. Avg.	Normal Range	2018	Change from Wtd. Avg.
Murder	0.1	0 to 0	0	-100%
Sex Offenses	11.3	7 to 15	13	19%
Robbery	3.8	2 to 5	9	137%
Aggravated Assault	8.4	6 to 11	14	66%
Burglary - Residential	44.2	34 to 54	21	-52%
Burglary - Commercial	22.3	15 to 30	13	-42%
Motor Vehicle Theft	42.3	30 to 54	26	-39%
Motor Vehicle Prowl	150.8	120 to 182	88	-42%
DUI	65.8	49 to 83	73	11%
Collisions	362.8	336 to 390	293	-19%

### Status Key

Below or Within Expected Range

Above Expected Range

