



**Horizon City Police Department
Monthly Activity Report
Chief of Police, Michael G. McConnell, PhD**



January 2020

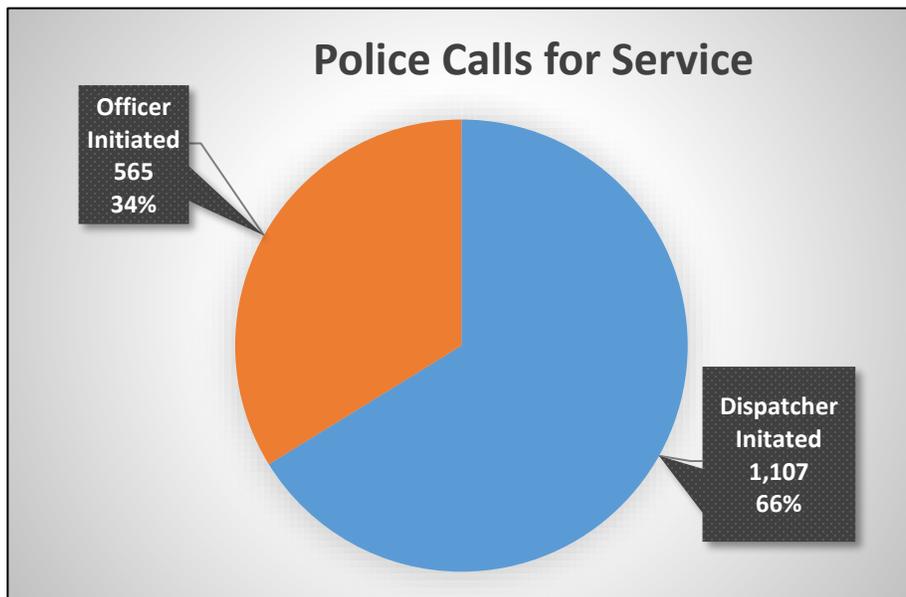
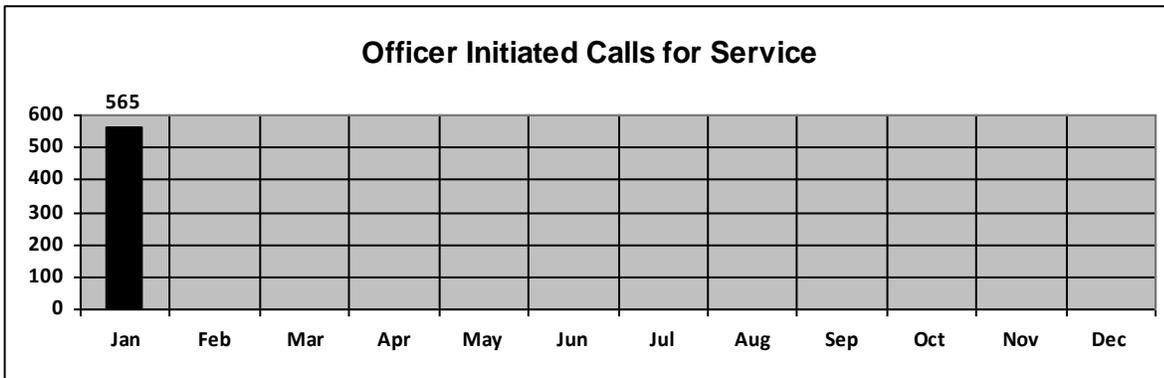
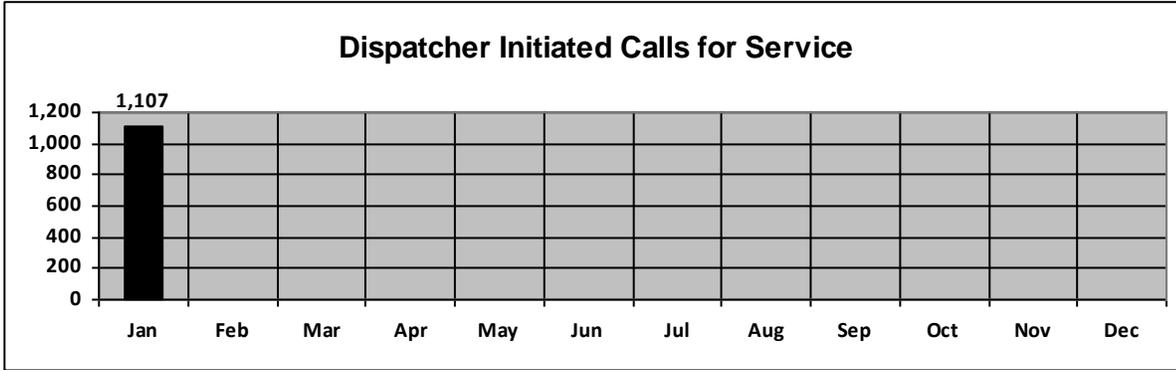
Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	276	291
Traffic Warnings	61	88
Parking Tickets	27	7
Investigations – Cases assigned	26	22
Investigations – Cases cleared	15	14
Investigations – Cases remaining open	13	12
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	16	23
Traffic accidents	49	48
Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service	1,107	Year to date – 1,107
Officer Initiated Calls for Service	565	Year to date – 565
Total Police Calls for Service	1672	Year to date – 1,672
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,050	Year to date – 1,050

ITEMS OF INTEREST

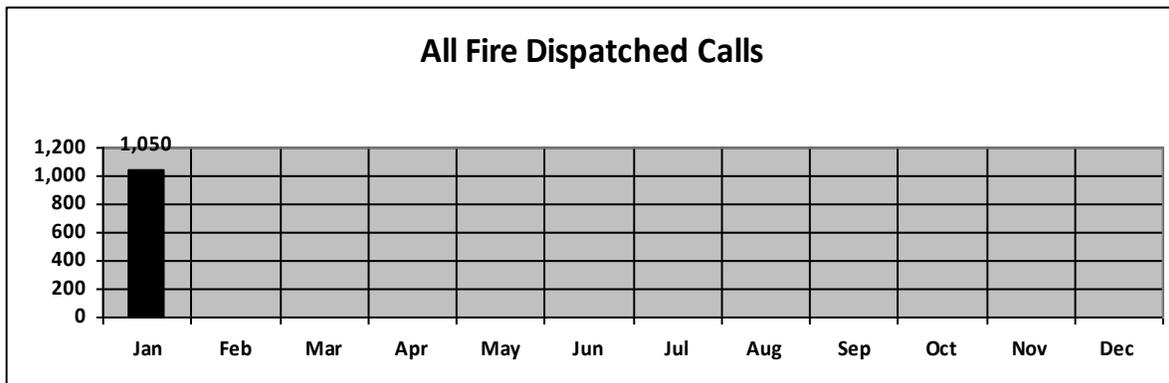
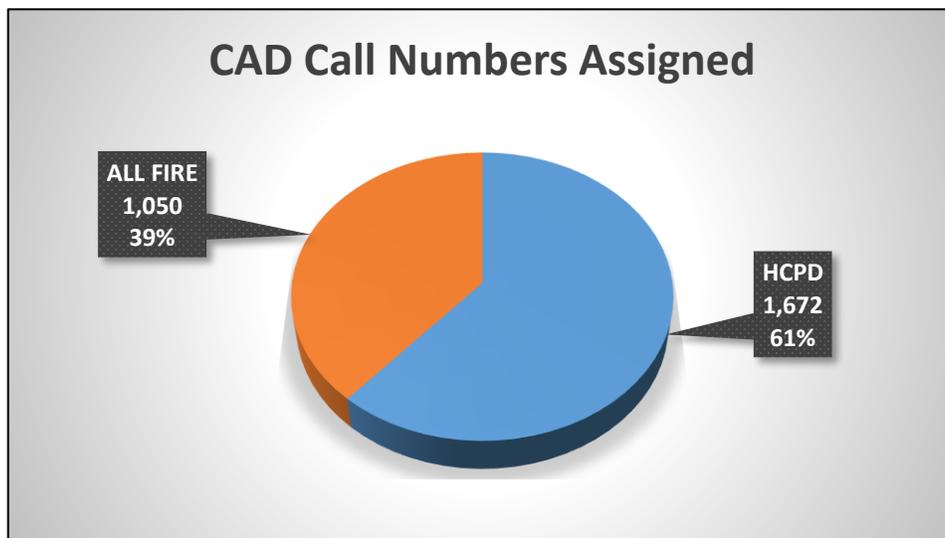
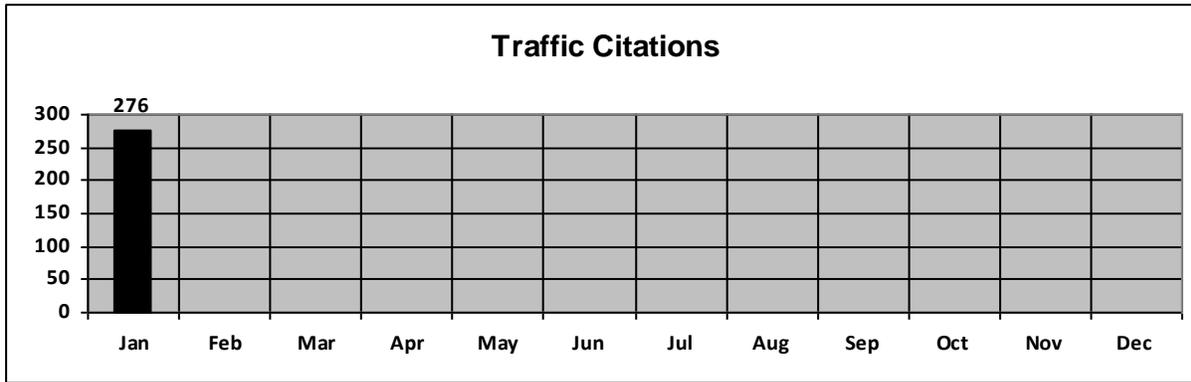
- Chief McConnell attended the annual grant informational meetings through the Rio Grand Council of Government. Attendance is required to remain eligible for certain state and federal grants.
- Chief McConnell and Communications Manager Ramos met with ESD 1 & 2 officials concerning Elite Medical Transport communication polices. Everything is in place for a March 1, 2020 transition.
- Chief McConnell and staff assisted in providing logistics in the recent Tunnel to Towers home dedication ceremony.
- Chief McConnell and staff attended the IDEA school ground breaking ceremony.
- Chief McConnell attended an El Paso County 911 District meeting.



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COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Together as One

The Horizon, Clint and Socorro Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in Horizon City. A phone charger exploded and caught fire setting off the smoke alarm. The fire department and police department cleared within minutes of arrival. There were no injuries reported.



The Montana Vista, Horizon and Clint Fire Departments to mobile home on fire in Montana Vista. Once on scene, units reported a fully engulfed structure without further exposures in the area. Texas Gas, El Paso Electric, El Paso Sheriff's Office and Life Ambulance also assisted with incident. No injuries were reported.

The Horizon Fire Department responded to a motor vehicle accident in Horizon involving a passenger vehicle and a fire hydrant. On scene, units advised of a single-vehicle accident and water coming from the fire hydrant. The water company was requested due to a complete break of the hydrant stand and large amounts of water potentially causing property damage. Lanes of traffic were closed off and Horizon City Police Department assisted with traffic control. The water was shut off and the water company remained on scene as fire units cleared.

The West Valley Fire Department was dispatched to a structure fire involving a recreational vehicle. Two people were evacuated from the structure. Police units assisted in evacuating the surrounding residences due to ammunition inside of the engulfed residence going off. The Anthony Fire Department provided assistance and manpower. The fire spread to a second structure. The home was declared a total loss and the second structure, which appeared to be a work trailer, had significant damage. The electric company responded and a fire marshal was requested to the scene.

The Socorro Fire Department responded to a motor vehicle accident in Clint where a vehicle struck a gas meter. The damage to the gas meter caused an active gas leak and the gas company was requested to respond. The scene was handed over to police units and the gas company.

The Montana Vista Fire Department responded to a single-vehicle rollover in Montana Vista. Multiple callers advised of the accident and one occupant. Arriving units established command and advised of one vehicle rolled over and one patient with minor injuries. El Paso Sheriff's Office Deputies assisted with traffic control and fire units cleared.

The Clint, Fabens, San Elizario and Tribal Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in Fabens. Upon arrival, fire units established command and advised of a mobile home fully engulfed. Crews made entry and began attack from the inside. A fire marshal was requested to the scene along with gas and electric companies. The structure was a total loss and the Red Cross was notified to assist the family company.

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Thirty five support tickets were submitted, completed and closed including four major projects. The major projects included:

- New network equipment installation
- Court new staffing setup
- Census website page
- Working with PDS in new software for Courts

In addition to the major projects above, IT staff responded to a variety of tech support requests.

WARRANTS DIVISION & FLEET OPERATIONS

The warrants officer received 34 summons for service. All summons was served. Three people were arrested for traffic warrants. Collections were made on traffic warrants and those unable to post bond, were booked into the El Paso County Jail. The warrants officer reviewed nine Child Protective Services cases. These cases were reviewed and closed, or filed with the corresponding case due to allegations of neglect. The warrants officer took eight vehicles to the shop for oil changes and repairs. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE

Detectives Rodriguez and Labrado investigated cases ranging from online solicitation of a minor, forgery, and sexual assault. Detectives presented fifteen cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. Detectives were called to investigate a suspicious death. During the course of the investigation, detectives requested the assistance of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office for additional resources. The case was turned over to the Sheriff's Office for further investigation. Detectives have been conducting forensic interviews on sexual assault cases involving minors. Detectives met with Homeland Security personnel who are assisting in an online solicitation case. The investigation has a large amount of data that detectives have to review prior to submission of the case. The investigation continues by preparing the case and obtaining addition information to include additional forensic interviews. Lieutenant Ortega signed twenty-four cases at the District Attorney's Office, which were accepted for prosecution. Meetings attended by Lieutenant Ortega were Gangs, STARS, SHOCAP, and JOIC.

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CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY SERVICES

Child Passenger Seat Inspections

Sergeant Mitre conducted three child passenger seat inspections. One inspection was generated from a mother coming in as a walk-in at the Horizon City Police Department. The other two seat inspections took place at Walmart. Sergeant Mitre found two of the seats had been installed properly. Sergeant Mitre also provided parents with literature on car seat installation. Car seat inspections are available by appointment or walk-in basis at the Horizon City Police Department headquarters.

Explorer Program

The Explorer Program conducted the following activities which included weekly meetings which took place on Wednesday nights.

January 1 – No Meeting

January 8 – Tactical decision making

January 15 – Recruiting Night

January 22 – No Meeting

January 29 – Tactical decision making/ hands on scenarios

The Explorer Program is seeking to begin recruiting for the spring of 2020 in area schools.

Citizen Police Academy Development

Additional planning took place for the department's third citizen police academy. The academy will start on February 26th and will begin accepting applications as early as January 31st. The academy will cover topics such as:

- Meet the Chief
- Patrol Operations & Equipment
- Internal Affairs
- Crime Scene Investigation Unit
- Criminal Investigation
- Emergency Communications
- Mechanics of Arrest
- Crisis Intervention
- DWI
- Family Violence
- Sex Crimes
- Civilian Active Shooter Response
- Burglary
- Robbery
- Homicide
- Traffic Enforcement
- Firearm Safety
- Animal Cruelty
- Recruiting



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- Online Safety
- Crime Prevention
- HCPD Explorers/ Horizon City Police Association

Applications are now being accepted at www.horizoncitypd.com/citizen-police-academy

Career Day at Desert Hills Elementary School

Sergeant Mitre was honored to attend the fantastic career day event at Desert Hills Elementary on January 17, 2020. Sergeant Mitre presented students with a close look at one of our patrol vehicles as well as some of our day-to-day police equipment. Students had the opportunity to come aboard our patrol car and see what it feels like to be in the driver's seat!

Other Community Events

While assigned to Walmart security detail, Sergeant Mitre took the opportunity to meet with people from the community. Sergeant Mitre was able to exchange pleasantries and ideas regarding problems with traffic and other concerns. Sergeant Mitre provided members of the community with information on TIP41. In addition, information was also provided on shopping safety tips on how to prevent theft of wallet/ purses, burglary of vehicle, and identity theft prevention as well as child safety seat inspections.

FORENSICS UNIT

The evidence technician conducted twenty-six open records requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted twelve requests for videos for cases ranging from DWI to assaults. Twelve items of evidence were submitted to the Texas Department of Public Safety for drug analysis. The forensics technician assisted in processing fifteen public requests for fingerprints. The forensic technician responded to one call to process a crime scene.

EMPLOYEE TRAINING

Cell Phone Use in Drug Trafficking Investigation (16 hours): Course introduces how cell phone data can be used by investigators to enhance drug trafficking investigations. Attended by G. Rodriguez.

Missing and Exploited Children (8 hours): Course is a basic overview of trends and background information relevant for a first responder or investigator responding to a missing or exploited child report. Attended by Chavez.

Taser Instructor Certifications (16 hours): Instructor course to teach students how to develop and safely execute scenarios and isolation drills and provide more in-depth scenario training. Attended by Flores, Crespo and Nunez.

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Crime Scene Investigation (12 hours): Course is a method to review topics in Crime Scene Procedures, collections and analysis of different types of physical evidence. Attended by Nieto and Labrado.

Behavior Analysis and Interviewing Techniques (24 hours): Course teaches the concepts and methods associated with effective and rapid behavior recognition, interviewing, and interrogation techniques. Attended by G. Rodriguez.

Special Investigative Topics (8 hours): Course is designed to teach students with a better understanding of Texas State Laws concerning Child Abuse, and Child Protective Services. Attended by Diaz and Chavez.

Annual Employee Evaluation Process (2 hours): Course is designed to emphasize the understanding and process behind the purpose of the performance evaluations. Attended by Flores, Rico, Ortega, Rosas, JC Rodriguez, Nunez, Greseth, Ramos, Arceo, Tarango, and Molina

TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 158 hours

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell
Chief of Police

HCPD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 2/3/2020 9:10:10 AM

Report Date From: 1/1/2020 00:00:00

Report Date To: 1/31/2020 23:59:59

Count of PD Calls:	1107
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Count of OV Calls:	565
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Count of MVA Events:	49
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CNTYFD Monthly Count Of Calls

Report Date: 2/3/2020 12:00:00 AM
Report Date From: 1/1/2020 0:00
Report Date To: 1/31/2020 23:59

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Count of CNTYFD Calls: 1050

Count of all Events

County Fire Dept Detailed	
CLFD	59
FAFD	99
HCFD	369
MVFD	89
SCFD	215
SEFD	84
WVFD	135



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	337
Number of CITATIONS	276
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	64
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	31
No Drivers License (3103)	24
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	18
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	11
Disregard Official Traffic Control Device (3059)	11
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	11
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	10
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	8
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	8
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	7
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	7
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	6
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	4
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	3
Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)	3
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	3
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	2
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	2
Failed to Yield R.O.W. at Stop intersection (3005D)	2
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	2
Consumption of Alcohol By Minor (3803)	2
Failed to Yield ROW (Private Drive/Alley/Building) (3056)	2
Negligent Collision (3312)	2
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	2
Expired Drivers License (3259)	2

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Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog (0088)	2
No License Plate Light (3274)	1
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) (3302)	1
Fail to Yield Row From Private Property (3005)	1
Minor In Possession of Tobacco Products (0055)	1
Improper Turn/Illegal Turn (3014)	1
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	1
Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)	1
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	1
Turned Right from Wrong Lane (3012)	1
Assault (1100)	1
Drove Center Lane (Not Passing/Not Turning Left) (3089)	1
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	1
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	1
Unsafe Backing (3316)	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Displaying Insigni a Assigned to Another M/V (3666)	1
Equipment/Missing or None (3627)	1
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) (3001SB)	1
Failed to Yield at Yield Intersection (3053)	1
Possession of Alcohol By Minor (3800)	1
Open Container (3323)	1
Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)	1
Ran Red Light (3007)	1
Defective Turn Signal Lamp(s) (3172)	1
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	1
Failed to Stop at Proper Place (Traffic Light) (3063)	1
Disregard Crossing Guard (3121A)	1
Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)	1
Number of WARNINGS	61

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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	7
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	7
No Drivers License (3103)	6
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	5
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	5
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	4
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	3
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	3
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	3
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	3
Disregard Official Traffic Control Device (3059)	2
No License Plate Light (3274)	2
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	2
Coasting (3194)	1
Following Too Closely (3017)	1
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	1
Turned Left from Wrong Lane (3011)	1
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	1
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	1
Drove Center Lane (Not Passing/Not Turning Left) (3089)	1
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	1
Drove Wrong Way in Dessignated Lane (3090)	1

Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)	27
Number of WARNINGS	10
Parked Facing Traffic - \$53.00 (3561)	5
Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00 (3552)	1
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$46.00 (3553)	1



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Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)	1
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$53.00 (3569)	1
Parking on Parkway or Curb - Not a moving violation - Fine \$53.00 (0093E)	1
Number of CITATIONS	17
Parked Facing Traffic - \$53.00 (3561)	6
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$46.00 (3553)	3
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00 (9000)	2
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$53.00 (3553)	2
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$53.00 (0093B)	2
Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00 (3552)	1
Parked Double - \$53.00 (3284)	1