



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



**November 2021**

Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	260	279
Traffic Warnings	108	150
Parking Tickets	7	5
Investigations – Cases assigned	18	11
Investigations – Cases cleared	8	9
Investigations – Cases remaining open	11	7
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	12	23
Traffic accidents	61	38
PD Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service	1,182	Year to date – 11,224
PD Officer Initiated Calls for Service	639	Year to date – 7,536
Total Police Calls for Service	1,821	Year to date – 18,760
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,379	Year to date – 13,155

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**

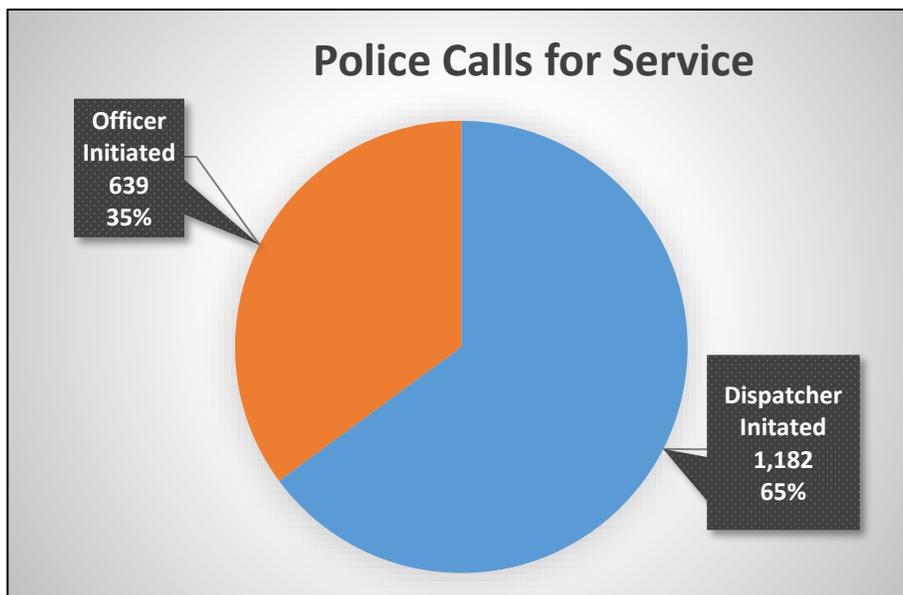
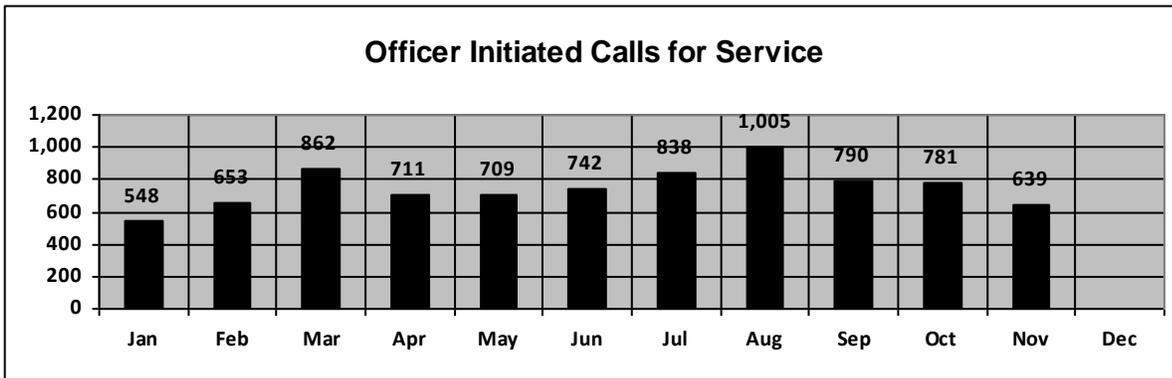
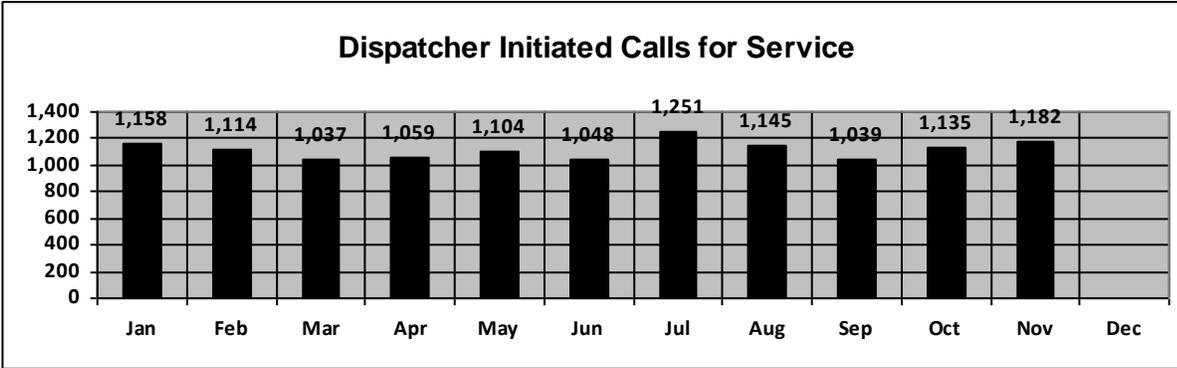
- Attended a groundbreaking ceremony at Summit Plastic.
- Chief McConnell announced his forthcoming retirement in mid-March.
- Staff continues to plan for the Christmas parade activities
- Met with a member of Department of Public Safety concerning annual fingerprint audits.



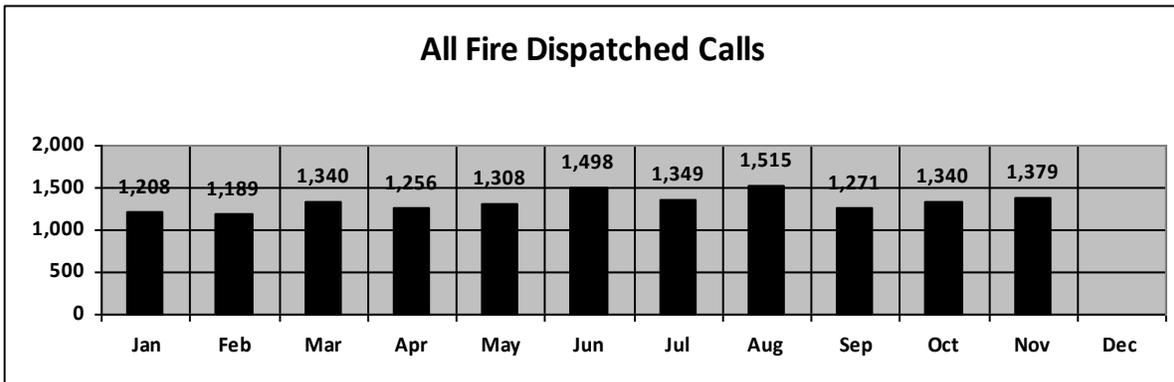
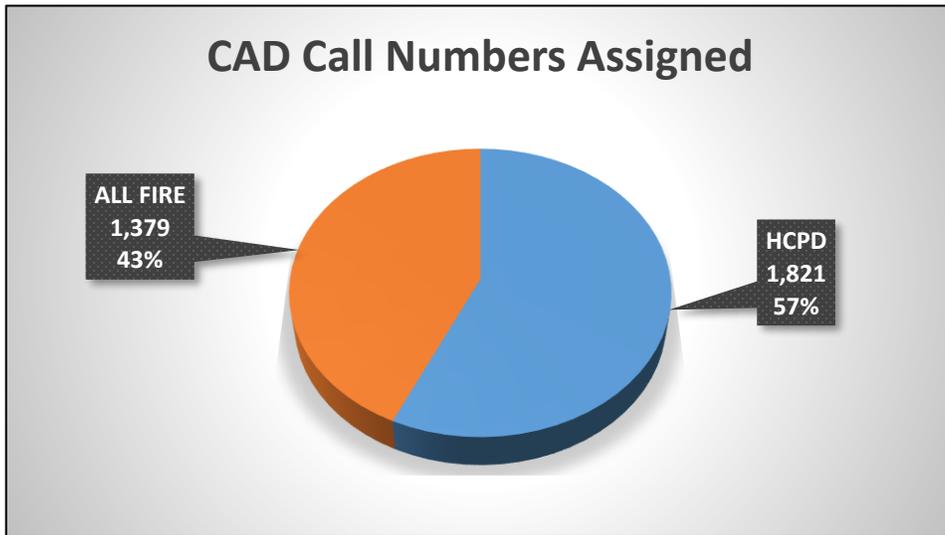
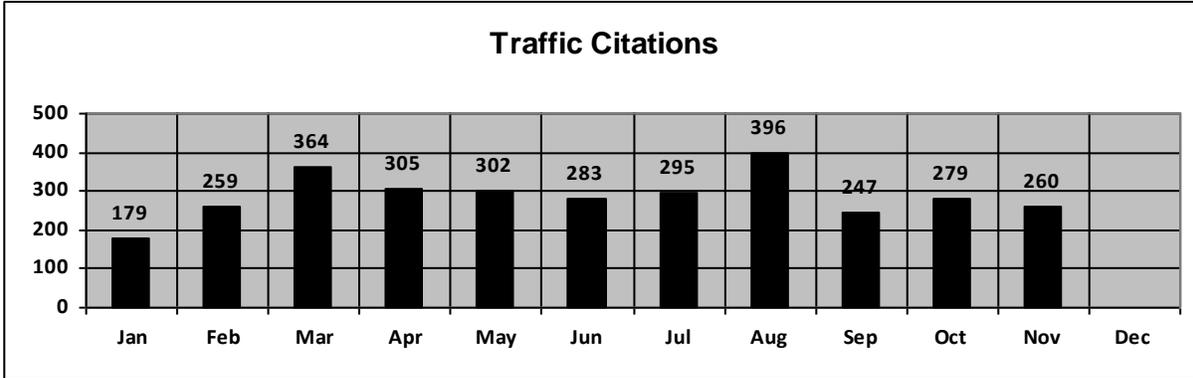
**Career Day at Desert Hills Elementary**



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### COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

*Together as One*

The Horizon Fire Department responded to a vehicle fire at a local Starbucks parking lot. A truck engine caught fire a few feet away from several businesses. The truck driver managed to get out of the vehicle. The fire department and Horizon Police officers arrived on the scene and extinguished the fire within minutes. No injuries or significant damages were reported.



The Horizon Fire Department responded to a gas leak in a residential area in Horizon City. Construction workers ruptured a three-inch natural gas line. Barrels were set up to block off traffic for approximately three hours while Texas Gas crews worked to make the repairs. The gas leak was shut off, and all units cleared the scene.

The Clint, Fabens, Horizon, Montana Vista, Socorro, San Elizario, and Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Fire Departments responded to a large fire in Clint. Approximately 20 callers reported a large structure fire spreading quickly. Upon arrival, Horizon Fire units reported heavy fire and smoke showing from a warehouse with multiple exposures. A staffing request was sent to all districts in the area. Incident command was established and advised of a large pallet yard fully engulfed. Two light poles nearby caught fire and were arcing. El Paso Electric was requested to the scene. Deputies with the El Paso Sheriff's Office evacuated residents as the fire threatened homes nearby. Horizon Fire deployed their deck gun, and multiple hose lines were positioned for fire attack. During fire attack strategy, incident command advised that crews located a natural gas leak and shut down the gas line. The property owner also reported large propane tanks on the scene. County Roads and Bridges were requested to the scene to assist. Mobile Air was requested from the El Paso Fire Department for additional air bottles. A page was sent for a fire investigator. Personnel from 1-800-BoardUp arrived on the scene to assist with rehab. As the fire was being controlled, a semi-truck in the area also caught fire. Units requested the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to the scene. After several hours, the fire was extinguished, and all units cleared the scene.

The Fabens Fire Department responded to reports of a brush fire. Multiple reporting parties reported the cotton field was on fire, and others advised of a cotton gin on fire. Once on scene, fire crews reported a 20x10 field on fire. The line was extended, and the fire was extinguished.

The Clint and San Elizario Fire Departments responded to Socorro regarding reports of a motor vehicle accident that began a gas leak inside a residence. All occupants evacuated the residence as a hissing noise was heard. Once on scene, units advised of gas blowing, and Texas Gas was requested. The Socorro Police Department reported the call was about a DWI. Fire crews cleared, and the scene was turned over to Texas Gas.

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Horizon Fire responded to a motor vehicle accident in Horizon. Callers advised that a vehicle had crashed into a residence, and the vehicle remained in the home wall. Fire units arrived on the scene and assessed patients for injuries. The El Paso Sheriff's Office advised that the vehicle had extensive damage to the front end and requested a wrecker to the scene. Horizon Fire units cleared, and the scene was handed over to the El Paso Sheriff's Office for reporting.

Socorro Fire Department responded to a rollover accident in Socorro. Reporting parties advised of a pickup truck on its roof, possibly with a patient trapped inside. Deputies with the El Paso Sheriff's Office shut down part of the access road and diverted traffic. Socorro Fire units advised of three vehicles involved and assessed patients for injuries. All vehicles were removed from the roadway, and fire units remained on the scene to remove spilled oil.

Clint Fire Department was dispatched to a motor vehicle accident where a vehicle struck a brick wall. Several callers advised of extensive damage to the vehicle and multiple patients on the scene. Upon arrival, units reported that the vehicle had struck a light pole and the rock wall. The light pole was knocked down and was partially blocking the roadway. El Paso Electric was requested to the scene to assess the damage to the light pole. Fire units cleared, and the scene was referred to the El Paso Sheriff's Office.

Socorro, Horizon, and Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Fire Departments responded to an outside fire in Socorro. Callers initially advised that heavy smoke was present in the area, and they were unsure what was burning. Units arrived on the scene and reported the fire was regarding an illegal burn in the back of a residence. The fire was contained to a chicken coop and extinguished. Socorro Police Department assisted and removed the chickens from the coop unharmed.

### **WARRANTS DIVISION & FLEET OPERATIONS**

The warrants officer received and served 10 summonses for service. Twelve 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 14 Child Protective Services cases. The cases were reviewed and closed, or filed with the corresponding case due to allegations of neglect. The warrants officer took 11 vehicles to the shop for oil changes and repairs. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings. The warrants officer conducted four city ordinance violations.

### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE**

Detectives Rodriguez and Labrado investigated cases including an aggravated robbery, indecency with a child, criminal mischief, and issuance of a bad check. Detectives were responded to two unattended death cases. These cases were investigated and ruled out as natural deaths due to medical issues and COVID. Detectives presented 12 cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. Lieutenant Ortega signed 15

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cases at the District Attorney's Office, which were accepted for prosecution. Meetings attended by Lieutenant Ortega were STARS, Border Star meeting and Stone Garden with Border Patrol.

### CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY OUTREACH

#### Coffee with a Cop

Officer Diaz had his first monthly Coffee with a Cop held at Amber's Coffee.



#### Career Day at Desert Hills Elementary



Officer Diaz was assisted by Sergeant Nunez, Officer Chavez, Officer Hernandez and Officer Perez in Career Day. The Career Day was given to the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade level, which is approximately 140 children. The children were taught to recognize a police officer in full uniform as well as a full marked patrol unit.

### FORENSICS UNIT

The evidence technician conducted five open records requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted six requests for videos for cases ranging from DWI to assaults. Twenty-one items were submitted to Texas Department of Public Safety crime lab, including drugs and blood kits that were submitted for analysis. Forensic Tech Nieto worked on the body cams which were having problems reaching the server. WatchGuard assisted with the technical issues.

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Forty-two support tickets were submitted, closed and completed. Four major projects included:

- Alderman Miller's iPad

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- Watchguard docking station
- Unit 6718 computer needed to be restored to factory and install and configure the computer
- Installation of equipment for the new employee in EDC

In addition to the significant projects above, IT staff responded to various tech support requests.

### TRAINING

**Crisis Intervention Training-1850 (40 hours):** The course provides the key concepts, safety techniques, and communication skills when dealing with a crisis. This includes a combination of lecture, scenario role-play, and physical modeling. Attended: Hart, and Gamboa

**Culture Diversity-3939 (8 hours):** By taking this intermediate course, the students will examine the factors that make up our individual cultures and the ways by which culture and law enforcement can merge. The course was completed online through Police One Academy. Attended: Vega

**De-Escalation-1849 (8 hours):** The purpose of this course is to improve the response of Peace Officers to incidents that involve persons in crisis who are behaving erratically. Dispatch Attended: Rebekah Arceo, Leslie Duran, Desiray Flores, and Cynthia Ramirez

**Human Trafficking- 3270 (4 hours):** Course provides history and forms of Human Trafficking, relating terms and examination of the relationship between the trafficker and victim and investigative elements of these crimes. The course was completed Online through TCOLE Online Training. Attended: Vega

**Taser Instructor Course (16 hours):** The purpose of this course is to certify a taser user as an instructor for TASER Energy Weapons and may certify and train others under Axon's guidelines for TASER Energy Weapon Users. Attended: Crespo, Nunez, Diaz, and Delgadillo



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**No in-house training was conducted for the month of November.**

Roll call training are short online videos that are intended for the officers to review before their tour of duty. It is meant to keep the officer focused and aware of the possibilities in which anything can happen at any moment during their shift. All officers are assigned Roll Call on a weekly basis.

**Roll Call Training (Police One Academy) topics covered:**

- Coeur d'Alene Pipe Bomb 911 Calls- 5 minutes
- Collaboration between agencies in Child Abuse- 15 minutes
- Combined Tactical- 10 minutes
- Combined Verbal and Physical Control- 5 minutes
- Communication Skills 3- 10 minutes

**Texas Police Chiefs Association/ Vincible Roll Call:**

No Roll Call training was put out by TPCA for the month of November.

***TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 202***

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police

# HCPD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 12/1/2021 2:00:15 AM

Report Date From: 11/1/2021 00:00:00

Report Date To: 11/30/2021 23:59:59

Count of PD Calls:	1182
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Count of OV Calls:	639
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Count of MVA Events:	61
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# CNTYFD Monthly Count of Events

Report Date: 12/01/2021 03:50:39

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date From: 11/01/2021 00:00:00

Report Date To: 11/30/2021 23:59:59

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Count</b>
CLFD	80
FAFD	127
HCFD	444
MVFD	134
SCFD	274
SEFD	124
WVFD	196
<b>Total</b>	<b>1379</b>



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)	7
<b>Number of CITATIONS</b>	<b>7</b>
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$53.00 (3553)	4
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$53.00 (3569)	2
Parked Facing Traffic - \$53.00 (3561)	1

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	368
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>108</b>
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	24
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	21
No Drivers License (3103)	9
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	6
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	5
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	5
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	5
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	3
Display Unclean License Plates/Obstrcted (3658)	2
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	2
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	2
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	2
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	2
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	2
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	2
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	2
Obstructed View Through Windshield (3132)	1
No Seat Belt - Driver (3032)	1
Failed to Yield ROW (Private Drive/Alley/Building ) (3056)	1
Improper Turn/Illegal Turn (3014)	1

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Cut in After Passing (3092)	1
Duties Upon Striking a Fixed Object (3273)	1
Expired Drivers License (3259)	1
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	1
Disregard Official Traffic Control Device (3059)	1
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	1
Restrictions on Windows (3231)	1
Disregard Crossing Guard (3121A)	1
Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)	1
Equipment/Missing or None (3627)	1
<b>Number of CITATIONS</b>	<b>260</b>
No Drivers License (3103)	41
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	35
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	33
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	14
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	11
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	11
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	8
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	7
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	6
Expired Drivers License (3259)	6
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	6
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	6
Following Too Closely (3017)	5
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	5
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	5
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	4
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	4
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	4

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Improper Turn/Illegal Turn (3014)	4
Turned Left from Wrong Lane (3011)	3
Use Equipment Not Authorized (3628)	3
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	3
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	2
D.O.C. Fighting with Another (1175)	2
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	2
Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)	2
Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)	2
Cut Across Driveway/Private Property to Make Turn (3081)	2
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	2
Open Container (3323)	2
Failed to Yield ROW (Private Drive/Alley/Building ) (3056)	2
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	1
Fail to Yield Row From Private Property (3005)	1
Failed to Yield R.O.W. at Stop intersection (3005D)	1
Ran Red Light (3007)	1
Negligent Collision (3312)	1
Assault (1100)	1
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	1
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	1
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	1
Littering/Illegal Dumping (3358)	1
Failure to Identify (1130)	1
Minor In Possession of Tobacco Products (0055)	1
Drove On Wrong Side of Divided Road (3088)	1
Turned When Unsafe (3080)	1
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	1
Failed to Pass to Right Safely/Improper Passing (3022)	1

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No License Plate Light (3274)	1
Fail to Stop-Designated Point/Crosswalk (3060)	1