

**CLEAN AND SAFE MONTHLY REPORT  
AUGUST 2018  
LIEUTENANT RUSS MAGER**

Arrests:	19
Field Contacts:	40
Traffic Contacts:	133
Citations:	139
Extra Patrols:	926

Incident Reports:	111
CAD Reports:	113
Alarms:	22
Walk & Talks:	577
Total Activity:	2,080

**SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS / INCIDENTS**

- 18-11969: Grand Theft (purse)/Battery/Battery on LEO/Resisting w/Violence, 840 E. Atlantic Avenue. Suspect Joshua Baker was arrested after stealing a woman's purse, fighting her boyfriend (who had chased him for it) and then fighting continuously with officers.
- 18-11453: Aggravated Stalking, 25 NE 2nd Avenue. The victim advised on July 28th, at approximately 2030 hours, she was working at Blings and Things (25 NE 2nd Avenue) when her ex- boyfriend (Christopher Pisciotta) came to the business and attempted to give her a gift. The victim has a valid restraining order against Pisciotta to include her place of work and residence. On August 4th, Pisciotta was arrested (for an additional charge of Violation of Injunction) in the OSS parking garage after officers located him upon the victim calling 911 because he had followed her to her car after she left work (18-11564).
- 18-11667: Burglary to Construction Site, 60 SE 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. On August 6<sup>th</sup>, at 0730 hours, officers responded to a delayed burglary occurring over the weekend. The unknown suspect(s) cut locks to all of the job boxes on the first floor. There was no forced entry and the superintendent believed it was an inside job. The estimated loss was \$8,000. There are no surveillance cameras within this construction site.
- 18-11947: Business Burglary, 20 S. Swinton Avenue (Hudson Company). During the overnight hours of 8/10-11/2018, a window was broken by a large rock and the refrigerator was ransacked with food missing. A latent print was recovered but was of poor quality and not identifiable.

**PROBLEM AREAS / CITIZEN COMPLAINTS / VAGRANTS / TRANSIENTS**

- Veteran's Park: Officers continue to monitor this park due to negative activity by vagrants. This continues to be a source of calls for service due to the behavior of many of these subjects. Extra Patrols: 70, Walk and Talks: 101, Arrests: 1.
- Libby Wesley Park: Officers continue to monitor this park for negative activity and eject subjects after park hours end. Extra Patrols: 26 , Walk and Talks: 18.
- Vagrants: Officers continue monitoring negative activity by the vagrant community and enforcing quality of life issues. Frequent offenders Michael Walsh and Leslie Bowens were both released from jail this month. Known vagrant Hodson Laurent was arrested by POP Officers this month after buying crack cocaine with money he panhandled downtown.
- Traffic: Officers continued their enforcement of delivery trucks using the Avenue (violating the City Ordinance) and were directed to conduct documented selective enforcement in response to an emailed complaint. Captain Battiloro had Motor Officer Cramer assist.

### **TRAINING / SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS**

- Officers attended training for active shooters, tactical medical, and body worn cameras.
- Officer Jaworski attended Dive Team training.
- Sergeant Quinn attended the NTOA Supervising Patrol Critical Incidents course.
- Officer Gordon attended the Field Training Officer course.
- Unit officers are tasked with making merchant contacts daily.
- Unit officers completed the BWC/Evidence.com training.
- Sergeant Quinn and Officers Sitz, Gordon, Caceres-Duque and Schumer attended Active Shooter training.

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Officer Brotz continued his work with the Explorers Program.
- Sergeant Baer and Officers Jaworski and Schwartz attended National Night Out.
- Officer Brotz assisted with preparation and breakdown for National Night Out.
- Officer Caceres-Duque volunteered at the library assisting with relocating books on 08-06-18.
- Officer Caceres-Duque participated as Honor Guard at FAU's rescheduled commencement on 08-14-18.
- Sergeant Quinn attended Police Explorer meetings.
- Sergeant Quinn participated in the SW Neighborhood Clean Up on 08-25-18.
- Officers Gordon and Caceres-Duque spent time at the 505 Teen Center.
- Sergeant Quinn and Officers Sitz and Caceres-Duque volunteered at National Night Out on 08-07-18.
- Officer Spooner and Sergeant Quinn attended the Roots Cultural Festival on 08-17-18.
- Sergeant Quinn and Officers Gordon and Caceres-Duque attended the Sutton Chapel Church of God in Christ Youth Festival at Libby Wesley Park on 08-03-18.

### **BUSINESS/COMMUNITY MEETINGS/OTHER**

- Officer Caceres-Duque attended the DDA meeting on 08-13-18.
- Sergeant Baer attended a meeting with Lieutenant Mager, DDA head Laura Simon, and PSC staff regarding downtown issues on 08-29-18.
- Officer Caceres-Duque was Officer of the Month for July 2018.
- Sergeant Quinn participated on the oral board panel for new hire interviews on 08-06-18.

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## **Clean & Safe Division**

**Amanda Skeberis, Clean & Safe Administrator**

### **August Monthly Report**

#### **Operational**

**Pineapple Grove roundabouts** – reflectors requested and added by Streets Department to the roundabouts due to continued concern over drivers hitting the surrounding curbing and landscape. It was also brought to the attention of the Clean & Safe Team that a deterrent, such as a sign or pedestrian barrier may be needed to discourage improper pedestrian crossing at roundabouts.

**Acting Clean & Safe Administrator** – Code Enforcement Officer Henry Thompson was introduced at the DDA Board meeting. He will be filling in for the administrator during her 12-week maternity leave in November.

**Weekly garage inspections** – continuing as requested by Community Improvement Director. The exterior sidewalks of both garages were pressure-cleaned by the Clean & Safe vendor to improve overall appearance.

**8 E Atlantic (former Smoke BBQ)** – active construction site being monitored by Clean & Safe. No issues to date with the exception of one additional construction sign on display. It was taken down in order to comply with LDR 4.6.7 which states “one sign per building frontage, non-illuminated with a sign area of not more than 32 square feet.”

**301 W Atlantic (Doughnut Works)** – after connecting with the business owner at the DDA Restaurant meeting, he expressed concerns over passerbys not being able to see his sign. The Clean & Safe Team trimmed low hanging branches, opening visibility to the new sign from Atlantic Avenue.

**E Atlantic Ave Bridge** – the Clean & Safe Team identified large areas of graffiti underneath the bridge while performing landscape duties. The graffiti as well as a homeless camp were abated by the sanitation officer.

**Smokin’ Culture** – the general contractor requested a meeting with Planning & Zoning representatives to discuss requirements for change of use (retail to restaurant or stand-alone bar). The GC and his architect were advised of the procedures for both changes, with stand-alone bar status requiring a waiver from City Commission as it would be within 750 feet of two other bars. Clean & Safe was invited to remain informed of the status of this business and to provide feedback on sidewalk cafes.

**1045 E Atlantic Ave (Delray Hideaway)** – the administrator along with the Acting Support Services Supervisor met with the business owner to discuss a sign violation (displaying prohibited signs) and liquor extensions. Information provided.



**Atlantic Crossings** – Clean & Safe is involved in regularly held construction meetings. This affords the team the opportunity to relay any concerns, make requests and continue to stay informed of project updates. This networking also allows for issues to be communicated on a daily basis, such as replacing a “One Way” sign on NE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to deter drivers from turning southbound (wrong way) from the Colony Hotel’s 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance. Landscape concerns, such as weeds growing on the outside of the fence and long NE 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, were also promptly addressed when requested.

**E Atlantic/Gleason and E Atlantic/Venetian** – Clean & Safe attended a meeting by City engineers overseeing crosswalk improvements at the previously mentioned intersections. Work will take approximately 90 days beginning the first week of September and includes removing the paver crosswalks and installing stamped concrete. This improvement was required by FDOT due to settlement issues with pavers. Clean & Safe electricians inspected the area prior to work commencing to account for the condition of all City light poles. CRA, DDA, City departments and the hired contractor were present.

**Board meetings** – CRA, DDA, Commission, Pineapple Grove Arts District, the Set Branding Committee, SETAC, Team Delray and TAC.

**Complaints** – 08/22, complaint of an “abandoned” bicycle at NE 5<sup>th</sup> Ave/1<sup>st</sup> St – turned over to PD for monitoring and removal. Update to follow.

### Long Term Projects

**Cigarette litter** – Sidewalk Buttlers were ordered and expected to be delivered prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>. The Clean & Safe Team collaborated with the DDA on a customized label that is in the process of being created. The label will be applied by the manufacturer prior to delivery. The team continues to perform cigarette abatement Monday mornings.

**Garbage liners** – 25 additional liners were ordered and will be delivered in September. Once received, they will be deployed in areas most needed until additional liners can be ordered to replace all liners within the district. The liner maintenance plan will also begin upon receipt of the 25 liners. This involves a coordinated effort between Clean & Safe and the Streets department.

**W 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue terrazzo sidewalks** – the terrazzo has begun to chip in places along W 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. It was confirmed that maintenance is no longer covered by a contract previously held by the CRA and now falls unto the City. Streets was made aware and a copy of the scope of work for maintenance was obtained from the CRA. This will also be forwarded to Streets. Update to follow.



## Policy

**Code Board** – Clean & Safe code officers presented two cases from the district: Capital One Café for lack of sidewalk café permit and 701 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street for work without a permit. The Code Enforcement Board confirmed violations in both cases and assigned fines if compliance is not achieved. Capital One Café has since come into compliance by applying for a café permit.

**Evaluations** – Marrero, completed by Supervisor Rolle.

**GovQA** – ticket W002466-081818 repaired and updated within 24-hours of assignment.

**Alcohol, Beverage, Tobacco training** – Clean & Safe has identified the need for alcohol/liquor license regulation training for commercial properties and special events. Licenses and complaints are handled by ABT but education among the team and businesses, especially for special events, will allow for better communication on the regulations. The administrator will contact Florida's ABT division to inquire if this service is available prior to upcoming event season. The primary events were alcohol violations (serving from areas outside of normal use, etc.) are observed are First Night, St. Patrick's Day parade and the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration.

## Training

**CodeRed** – mandatory training on the mass notification system attended by Administrator on 08/02.

**Web Content Writing Boot camp** – refresher on June's training in preparation for the upcoming City website merger; attended by Administrator on 08/15.

**Intermediate Incident Command System G-300** – mandatory training attended by Supervisors Rolle and McCellion on 08/20-08/22.

**Advanced Incident Command Systems G-400** – attended by Administrator on 08/23-08/24.

**SGR 4th Dimension Servant Leadership Workshop** – attended by Administrator on 08/31.

## Follow up/projects

**Treating Atlantic Avenue Palms** – Clean & Safe met with Assistant Parks Director and City landscape inspector regarding the poor condition of the palms. All parties confirmed action needs to be taken before more trees are lost. Landscape Inspector to inquire of Boynton Beach's tree treating contract and scope of work as it is similar to what is needed for Atlantic Avenue.

**Garbage receptacle replacements** – this project was completed 08/24 with the assistance of the Streets Department. Garbage receptacles on E Atlantic Avenue from Swinton to the railroad tracks were relocated to plant beds at crosswalks. Mid-block receptacles were removed altogether.



**Robert Federspiel Parking Garage landscape projects** – The Clean & Safe Team added new landscape and mulch to the exterior entrance of Robert Federspiel Garage. Parks’ tree trimming team also trimmed the overgrowth from the trees on the west side of the garage that limited natural light.

**Summer landscape enhancements** – Clean & Safe solicited the assistance of the City Landscape Inspector for landscape enhancement quotes. Quotes were obtained for Hands Parking Lot (40 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue), Pineapple Grove and the Worthing Park monument. Plants were installed in the landscape islands in Hands Parking Lot on 08/22. This enhanced the area and brought the islands into compliance with LDR 4.6.16. Quotes for enhancements to two landscape nodes in Pineapple Grove at NE 2<sup>nd</sup> St/NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and the Worthing Park monument were obtained however will not be processed prior to the cannot be processed until FY 18-19. A meeting among Clean & Safe and Public Parks is schedule for September 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss completing enhancements to Libby Wesley Plaza in-house prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Streets** – striping trailer remains in the shop.

**Rodent Prevention Services** – bait boxes were deployed in the Gleason St/E Atlantic Ave area based upon a complaint received last month. The monthly report from the vendor noted that the highest level of rodent activity is from alleyways along the east side railroad corridor. The sanitation officer was asked to closely monitor this area for any sanitation violations to help reduce rodent activity.

**Abandoned/unmaintained newsstands** – additional work on this project delayed due to landscape enhancements taking priority with close of FY 17-18.





## Reports

### **Electricians**

<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>NUMBER SERVICED</i>
GFI replacement	23
GFI covers replacement	4 – metal 8 – accordion
Bulb replacement	48 – 175 12 – 150 4 – 400 watt
Ballast replacement	9 1 – rebuilt
Junction box replacement	1
Yellow globe replacement	4
Glass globe replacement	0
Other	10 – capacitors 1 – LED driver 3 – photo cells

**NW 5<sup>th</sup> Ave/1<sup>st</sup> St** – a light pole was stuck as a result of a traffic homicide on 08/04. A spare pole was located and is scheduled for installation on 09/11 through coordination of equipment operated by Streets and Utilities.

**Sign removal** – an old Chamber of Commerce sign was removed from SE 5<sup>th</sup> Ave due to a complaint of confusion (sign directed patrons to former office location on SE 5<sup>th</sup> Ave).

### **Code Enforcement**

<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>NUMBER</i>
General Code	15
Housing Code	10
Verbal Warnings	0
Door Hangers	0
Right of Way	0
Nuisance Abatement/ Reoccurring Nuisance	2
Rental Housing Inspection	0
Facility Inspections	2
Complaints (internal and external)	Listed under Policy
Landscape Code	2



**Sidewalk café violations** – six violations were written to businesses who did not renew by the July 13<sup>th</sup> deadline. Notices to renew were hand delivered to businesses and signed for from June 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. Warnings that late fees will be assessed as well as violations if renewals were not submitted by the deadline were outlined on the notices.

### **Tree Trimming and Parks**

Not a direct report to Clean & Safe Administrator - reporting handled by Public Works and Parks Maintenance respectively

### **Parking Garage**

Not a direct report to Clean & Safe Administrator - reporting handled by Lanier Parking, contracted by the City for garage maintenance (and parking enforcement).