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To: Mayor Shane Blaser
Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission
Wisconsin Rapids Common Council

From: Erman Blevins, Chief of Police

RE: Report on the Police Department activity for May 2020

Activities of the Chief of Police

- As in the previous months, much of May was almost entirely devoted to Covid-19 planning and response. Attended or teleconferenced in to many meetings regarding response.
- Continuously met with other area Law Enforcement leaders to plan for unified response to Covid-19 contingencies.
- Assisted the Health Department and the National Guard with drive through Covid-19 testing.

Notable activities of the Police Department for May 2020

- WRPD Officers have placed Family Center office hours on hold for the duration of the Covid-19 health emergency.
- WRPD completed yearly firearms training and qualifications department wide.
- Officer Jazdzewski continued with his Community Leadership training.
- School Resource Officers (SRO) have shifted to Patrol duties for the duration of the Covid-19 emergency.
- WRPD continues the emphasis on after hours business checks. The Covid-19 emergency has forced many businesses to close, resulting in a vulnerability to burglaries.

Year to date statistics and previous year comparison:

WRPD responded to **1434** incidents and calls for service in May 2020.

May 2019: **2163**.

Total incidents and calls for service to date in 2020: **7238**

Total for 2019: **9409**.

For month of May 2020:

- OWI- 4 2019- 5
- Traffic Crash Investigations: **25** 2019: **38**

Chronic Nuisance/Blighted Property enforcement activity:

These citations are from a list of ordinances provided to WRPD by code enforcement. Typical citations are for such violations as:

Vehicle parked on grass, Inoperable/Junk car, junk and refuse in yard.

Citations in May 2020: **13**

Restricted Parking citations: **228**

Chronic Nuisance Program letters

4 properties were added in May; properties being added following 3 enforcement actions.

Detectives/Interdiction Overtime operations:

Interdiction

- Due to Covid-19 precautions, no interdiction conducted in May. Operations will resume in June.

Wisconsin Rapids Police Officers and Detectives made **20 arrests** for Controlled Substance offenses in May 2020. These charges include:

- Manufacture/Delivery of Heroin
- Possession of Schedule I and II drugs
- Possession of Methamphetamine
- Possession of Methamphetamine with intent to sell.
- Maintaining Drug Trafficking Place.

Notable investigations and arrests

Patrol:

- On May 21, 2020 Officer Brockman was on patrol, when he noticed a vehicle traveling North on 16th St drive through a stop sign. Officer Brockman made a traffic stop on the vehicle. Deputy Christianson arrived on scene and deployed his K9 partner Ace. Ace indicated on the vehicle and resulted in the discovery of a large amount of drug paraphernalia and white crystal substance in the vehicle. The white crystal substance presumptively tested positive for Methamphetamine. A total of **54.34** grams of Methamphetamine seized. The suspect in possession of the white crystal substance had a large fixed blade knife concealed in his right pant leg.

Suspect was charged with:

1. Possession with intent to deliver Schedule I/II
 2. Carrying a concealed weapon
- Sgt. Burris and Officer Van Berkel were called to West grand Kwik Trip for two subjects in a vehicle behind building possibly having relations. Officers made contact with the subjects in the vehicle, and observed in plain view, drug paraphilia and drugs. Officers detained subjects and conducted a vehicle search resulting in the discovery of more drugs and paraphernalia. Located in the vehicle.
 3. Syringe with liquid inside of it
 4. Baggies containing crystalline material appeared to be Meth 1.3g
 5. Two dark baggies of gray rock substance
 6. Pills later ID as Amphetamine and Dextroamphetamine
 7. Smoking devices

Individuals were charged with:

1. Possession of Methamphetamine x2
 2. Possession of Schedule 2 Narcotic
 3. Possession of Schedule 4 Narcotic
 4. Prescription Drug w/o prescription
 5. Felony Bail jumping
- Officer Burger stopped vehicle for no brake lights and no registration light. Officer Burger detected an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. Driver admitted to smoking blunt 3hrs ago. Officer Burger conducted SFST and arrested driver for drugged driving. Officers conducted a vehicle search and found 118g of THC 91g of individually packaged liquid THC ranging from 80%-90% THC concentrate, and two scales.
 1. OWI 1st
 2. Possession with intent to deliver