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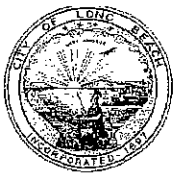
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To: Mayor & City Council

From: Patrick H. West
City Manager

Subject: Crime Statistics

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Date: August 12, 2011
To: Patrick H. West, City Manager
From: Jim McDonnell, Chief of Police
For: Mayor and Members of the City Council
Subject: CRIME STATISTICS

In response to a request from Councilmember Gabelich for current crime statistics for the Eighth District, the following is provided:

Crime statistics are compiled, verified and reported to the California Department of Justice monthly based on the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) criteria. UCR reporting is based on a calendar year from January 1 to December 31. Monthly and year-to-date statistics are reported and compared to the statistics for the previous year, and percentage changes are reported for each crime category.

Standardized UCR criteria for "Part I" crimes allow comparability between law enforcement agencies across the country. Part I crimes include Violent and Property Crimes. Violent Crimes include Murder, Rape Robbery and Aggravated Assault. Property Crimes include Larcenies (Thefts), Burglaries, Auto Theft, Bicycle Theft and Arson.

The Long Beach Police Department aggregates the statistics to reflect citywide crime, as well as crime by geographic Patrol Division. The reports are generally finalized and reported on the 15th of each month for the preceding month. The most current statistics reflect the statistics for the month of June, as well as the first half of the 2011 calendar year. Attachment A provides a tabular presentation of the most current Long Beach crime statistics on a citywide and divisional basis. The North Division statistics include the Eighth District.

The statistics generally reflect continued decreases in the numbers of Violent Crimes, but show increases in most categories of Property Crimes. In assessing these statistics, it is important to recognize that the 2010 statistics, against which the 2011 statistics are being compared, were among the lowest recorded in almost 40 years. While crime increases are never acceptable, and significant efforts are being made to reverse the current trends, given the current economic challenges confronting the City, the State of California and the country, some increases may be unavoidable.

Attachment B provides a similar tabular comparison of citywide crime totals for the January to June timeframe from 2008 to 2011. When you compare the current year statistics to those of 2009 and 2008, the current numbers reflect a far more modest increase and in many cases, a decrease.

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It is difficult to explain changes in crime statistics, whether increases or decreases, because of the wide range of factors that influence crime. In order for a crime to occur, there needs to be a victim, a suspect and a location. Over the past several years, Long Beach has eliminated a number of crime-prone locations with the help of the Redevelopment Agency, which purchased the properties, tore down the hotel, liquor store, crack house or bar, and replaced it with new development. Community education to remind residents to keep their doors and windows locked, and not leave belongings visible in cars, has helped reduce the number of victims. Timely police response, proactive patrol time focused on repeat offenders and on crime hot spots, thorough investigations and effective prosecutions, have all contributed to the decade-long reduction in crime.

The Long Beach Police Department will continue to focus whatever resources the City Council can provide on the reduction of criminal activity, especially in the Violent Crime categories. We shall strive to maintain our superb response times to Priority One calls for service, which are currently averaging 4.3 minutes. We'll also work to maintain the structure of a full service police organization, despite the sworn and civilian staffing reductions dictated by the City's fiscal challenges.

While there may be some service impacts that result from the budget cuts, the outstanding men and women of the Long Beach Police Department, both sworn and civilian, will continue to provide the highest possible levels of public safety and ensure that the people of Long Beach are free to enjoy the unique quality of life available in our City.

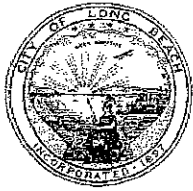
~~If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me, or my Chief of Staff, Commander Farinella, at extension 87301.~~

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Attachments (6)

cc:

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PART I CRIMES CITYWIDE

June 2011

VIOLENT CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Murder	3	3	0	0.0%	14	21	-7
Rape	5	13	-8	-61.5%	42	68	-26	-38.2%
Robbery	90	86	4	4.7%	578	623	-45	-7.2%
Agg Assault	159	120	39	32.5%	727	731	-4	-0.5%
TOTAL	257	222	35	15.8%	1361	1443	-82	-5.7%

PROPERTY CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Res Burg	127	132	-5	-3.8%	974	762	212
Garage Burg	20	26	-6	-23.1%	125	151	-26	-17.2%
Comm Burg	67	62	5	8.1%	440	353	87	24.6%
Auto Burg	240	150	90	60.0%	1211	1017	194	19.1%
Grand Theft	101	99	2	2.0%	641	580	61	10.5%
Petty Theft >\$50	78	88	-10	-11.4%	501	503	-2	-0.4%
Petty Theft <\$50	137	164	-27	-16.5%	836	862	-26	-3.0%
Bike Theft	79	65	14	21.5%	367	296	71	24.0%
GTA	183	169	14	8.3%	1113	1109	4	0.4%
Arson	8	7	1	14.3%	74	39	35	89.7%
TOTAL	1040	962	78	8.1%	6282	5672	610	10.8%

TOTAL PART I	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Violent Crime	257	222	35	15.8%	1361	1443	-82
Property Crime	1040	962	78	8.1%	6282	5672	610	10.8%
TOTAL	1297	1184	113	9.5%	7643	7115	528	7.4%



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PART I CRIMES EAST DIVISION

June 2011

VIOLENT CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Murder	2	1	1	100.0%	5	4	1
Rape	0	4	-4	-100.0%	13	15	-2	-13.3%
Robbery	10	17	-7	-41.2%	80	116	-36	-31.0%
Agg Assault	25	19	6	31.6%	127	144	-17	-11.8%
TOTAL	37	41	-4	-9.8%	225	279	-54	-19.4%

PROPERTY CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Res Burg	51	46	5	10.9%	304	233	71
Garage Burg	6	5	1	20.0%	41	53	-12	-22.6%
Comm Burg	16	26	-10	-38.5%	164	121	43	35.5%
Auto Burg	74	54	20	37.0%	461	454	7	1.5%
Grand Theft	30	37	-7	-18.9%	206	232	-26	-11.2%
Petty Theft >\$50	22	21	1	4.8%	188	174	14	8.0%
Petty Theft <\$50	52	62	-10	-16.1%	318	327	-9	-2.8%
Bike Theft	28	22	6	27.3%	127	123	4	3.3%
GTA	48	49	-1	-2.0%	263	345	-82	-23.8%
Arson	3	2	1	50.0%	17	6	11	183.3%
TOTAL	330	324	6	1.9%	2089	2068	21	1.0%

TOTAL PART I	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Violent Crime	37	41	-4	-9.8%	225	279	-54
Property Crime	330	324	6	1.9%	2089	2068	21	1.0%
TOTAL	367	365	2	0.5%	2314	2347	-33	-1.4%



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PART I CRIMES NORTH DIVISION

JUNE 2011

VIOLENT CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
Murder	1	1	0	0.0%	1	5	-4	-80.0%
Rape	2	4	-2	-50.0%	10	15	-5	-33.3%
Robbery	29	18	11	61.1%	167	153	14	9.2%
Agg Assault	38	34	4	11.8%	195	191	4	2.1%
TOTAL	70	57	13	22.8%	373	364	9	2.5%

PROPERTY CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
Res Burg	28	33	-5	-15.2%	282	225	57	25.3%
Garage Burg	6	4	2	50.0%	29	27	2	7.4%
Comm Burg	19	13	6	46.2%	113	80	33	41.3%
Auto Burg	83	40	43	107.5%	301	233	68	29.2%
Grand Theft	20	24	-4	-16.7%	136	124	12	9.7%
Petty Theft >\$50	24	25	-1	-4.0%	117	110	7	6.4%
Petty Theft <\$50	29	28	1	3.6%	155	147	8	5.4%
Bike Theft	7	9	-2	-22.2%	43	38	5	13.2%
GTA	51	52	-1	-1.9%	359	334	25	7.5%
Arson	2	2	0	0.0%	12	12	0	0.0%
TOTAL	269	230	39	17.0%	1547	1330	217	16.3%

TOTAL PART I	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
Violent Crime	70	57	13	22.8%	373	364	9	2.5%
Property Crime	269	230	39	17.0%	1547	1330	217	16.3%
TOTAL	339	287	52	18.1%	1920	1694	226	13.3%



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PART I CRIMES SOUTH DIVISION

June 2011

VIOLENT CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Murder	0	0	0	0.0%	2	5	-3
Rape	0	4	-4	-100.0%	7	20	-13	-65.0%
Robbery	30	28	2	7.1%	186	158	28	17.7%
Agg Assault	46	39	7	17.9%	179	170	9	5.3%
TOTAL	76	71	5	7.0%	374	353	21	5.9%

PROPERTY CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Res Burg	25	24	1	4.2%	238	140	98
Garage Burg	5	5	0	0.0%	31	35	-4	-11.4%
Comm Burg	14	14	0	0.0%	78	80	-2	-2.5%
Auto Burg	50	28	22	78.6%	252	180	72	40.0%
Grand Theft	29	13	16	123.1%	151	106	45	42.5%
Petty Theft >\$50	19	18	1	5.6%	108	115	-7	-6.1%
Petty Theft <\$50	32	39	-7	-17.9%	191	215	-24	-11.2%
Bike Theft	24	29	-5	-17.2%	139	94	45	47.9%
GTA	32	21	11	52.4%	198	157	41	26.1%
Arson	0	1	-1	-100.0%	18	7	11	157.1%
TOTAL	230	192	38	19.8%	1404	1129	275	24.4%

TOTAL PART I	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
	Violent Crime	76	71	5	7.0%	374	353	21
Property Crime	230	192	38	19.8%	1404	1129	275	24.4%
TOTAL	306	263	43	16.3%	1778	1482	296	20.0%



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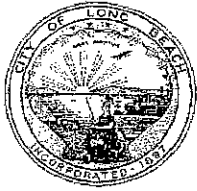
PART I CRIMES WEST DIVISION

JUNE 2011

VIOLENT CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
Murder	0	1	-1	-100.0%	6	7	-1	-14.3%
Rape	2	1	1	100.0%	8	16	-8	-50.0%
Robbery	21	23	-2	-8.7%	142	193	-51	-26.4%
Agg Assault	50	26	24	92.3%	220	222	-2	-0.9%
TOTAL	73	51	22	43.1%	376	438	-62	-14.2%

PROPERTY CRIME	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
Res Burg	22	29	-7	-24.1%	149	164	-15	-9.1%
Garage Burg	3	12	-9	-75.0%	24	36	-12	-33.3%
Comm Burg	17	9	8	88.9%	84	72	12	16.7%
Auto Burg	33	26	7	26.9%	196	145	51	35.2%
Grand Theft	22	25	-3	-12.0%	144	118	26	22.0%
Petty Theft >\$50	13	23	-10	-43.5%	86	102	-16	-15.7%
Petty Theft <\$50	24	34	-10	-29.4%	171	168	3	1.8%
Bike Theft	20	5	15	300.0%	56	39	17	43.6%
GTA	51	45	6	13.3%	289	258	31	12.0%
Arson	2	2	0	0.0%	22	14	8	57.1%
TOTAL	207	210	-3	-1.4%	1221	1116	105	9.4%

TOTAL PART I	JUNE 2011				YTD			
	2011	2010	#	%	2011	2010	#	%
Violent Crime	73	51	22	43.1%	376	438	-62	-14.2%
Property Crime	207	210	-3	-1.4%	1221	1116	105	9.4%
TOTAL	280	261	19	7.3%	1597	1554	43	2.8%



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PART I CRIMES CITYWIDE

January-June 2008-2011 3010 City-wide Crime Stats

VIOLENT CRIME	YTD			
	2011	2010	2009	2008
Murder	14	21	28	19
Rape	42	68	69	65
Robbery	578	623	636	684
Agg Assault	727	731	818	740
TOTAL	1361	1443	1551	1508

PROPERTY CRIME	YTD			
	2011	2010	2009	2008
Res Burg	974	762	963	886
Garage Burg	125	151	141	106
Comm Burg	440	353	437	506
Auto Burg	1211	1017	1418	1286
Grand Theft	641	580	603	374
Petty Theft >\$50	501	503	462	327
Petty Theft <\$50	836	862	735	1302
Bike Theft	367	296	272	137
GTA	1113	1109	1136	1420
Arson	74	39	59	60
TOTAL	6282	5672	6226	6404

TOTAL PART I	YTD			
	2011	2010	2009	2008
Violent Crime	1361	1443	1551	1508
Property Crime	6282	5672	6226	6404
TOTAL	7643	7115	7777	7912