

City Administrator Report

City of Lake Forest Park

Date: October 9, 2025

TO: Honorable Deputy Mayor and Councilmembers

FR: Phillip Hill, City Administrator

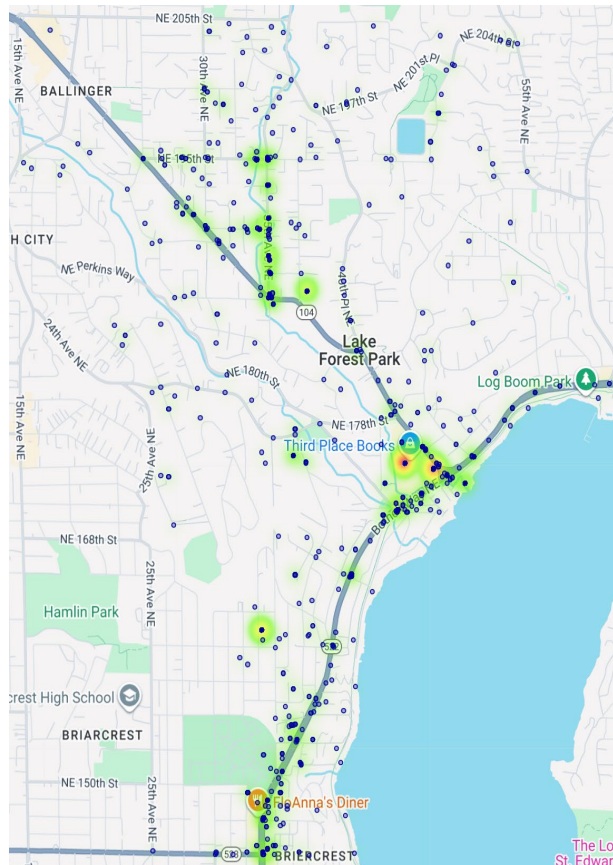
CC: Honorable Mayor Tom French
Leadership Team

The City Administrator Report is meant to provide the council, staff and community an update on the activities of the City and on issues that concern the City. This memo will be provided in each Council packet and is divided into key sections.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information about any of the following items and please feel free to contact any of the department heads for additional information.

I. Intergovernmental and local issues update.

Police Department



Police incidents heatmap for September 2025:

Each blue dot is an incident generated by dispatch or an officer.

This map represents **1001** Call Incidents in **September**

See Traffic Stats in Traffic Safety Section

Questionable Activity	47
Behavioral Health	45
911 Call	43
Warrants	24
Contact of a Person	23
Welfare Check	23
Theft	21
Area Check	20
Alarm	9
Suicide	7
Civil	6
Found Property	6
Motor Vehicle Prowl	6
Disturbance	5
Domestic	5

Case Reports Taken for September 2025

Theft	15
Behavioral Health	7
Motor Vehicle Prowl	4
DUI	4
Domestic	3
Trespass	3
Warrant Arrest	2
Property	2
Death Investigation	2
APS (Adult Protective Services)	2
Fraud	2

Counterfeiting	1
Ordinance	1
Informational report	1
Malicious mischief	1
Burglary	1
Missing person	1
Assist outside agency	1
Assault	1
MV theft	1
Harassment	1

Total – 56

Notable Incidents:**Sex Offense**

A fifteen-year-old female disclosed that she had a sexual relationship with an adult. The case is in the investigation unit, assigned to a detective.

Theft

Theft in progress at the Ross store. The subject (who lives at the Sacred Medicine) was booked and released due to other calls pending and minimum staffing.

A community member contacted the police stating that somebody had taken a package from her front porch. The video showed the suspect on an electric scooter wearing a black helmet. There are no further leads to identifying the thief.

A package was stolen from a mailbox. No leads at this time.

Theft in progress at the Ross store. The shoplifter left before the arrival of the officers.

Another theft in progress at the Ross store. The subject was caught and trespassed from the town center.

A theft in progress at the Safeway store. Suspects' vehicles stopped by the officers in proximity to Acacia. Both suspects were arrested and booked.

Theft of alcohol in progress at the Safeway store. 2 juveniles caught. The parents came and picked up the juveniles.

Patrol responded to a motor vehicle prowling/theft at the Wildwood Apts. No leads.

Behavioral Health

The parents of a twelve-year-old male called the police regarding their son being belligerent and out of control. Officers spoke with the juvenile. He went to the hospital voluntarily.

Juvenile Problem

Several juveniles, who were attending a party, were caught drinking and smoking marijuana. Officers ended the party and spoke with the adults.

Domestic Violence

A verbal domestic incident. The officers explained how to reach our domestic violence advocate for advice and warned the involved parties about consequences of physical violence.

Suspicious Circumstances

A vehicle with four occupants was found at Horizon View Park after hours. They were warned about the park rules and moved along.

There were suspicious subjects in the Ross store. They decided to leave without purchasing anything when they saw the police officers.

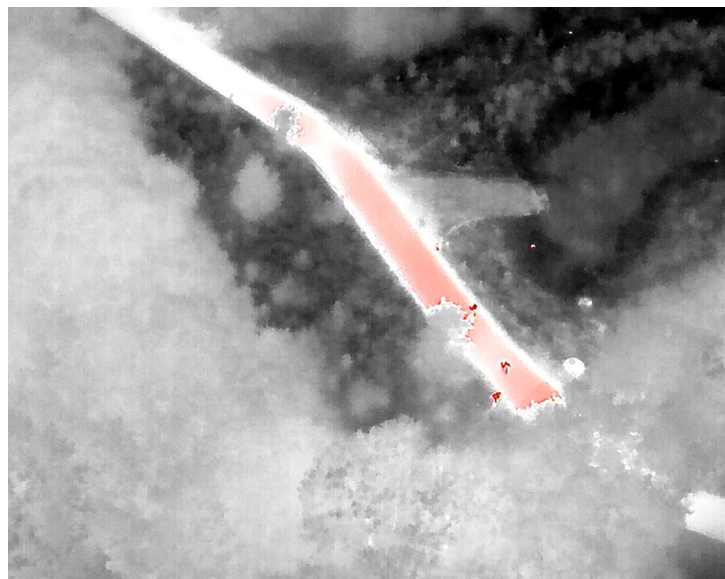
A dispute between neighbors at the Woodland North Apts. Officers deescalated the situation and they were warned about the behavior.

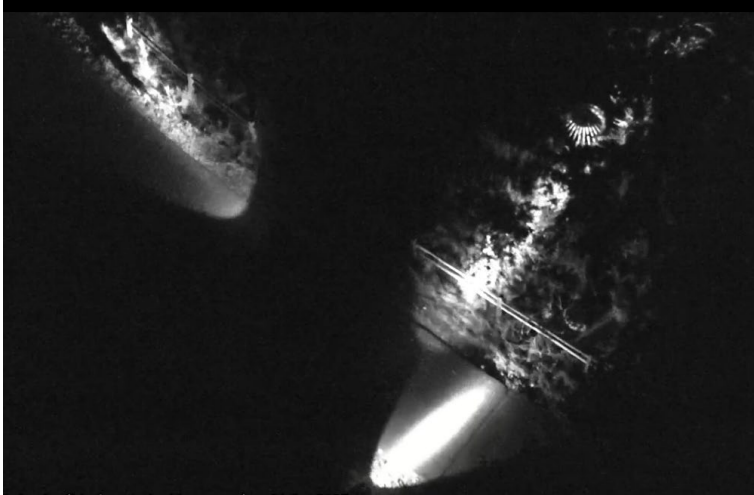
Assist

Officers assisted the Port of Seattle Police with a Hit & Run incident.

LFPPD officers also assisted Bothell PD with a Hit & Run/Eluding call. One of our officers utilized our UAV/drone to assist the K9. This was the first deployment of the UAV from our operators.

Using infrared, the LFPPD drone operator (Carlsud) had overwatch of the Bothell K9 track for the hit and run suspect.





Night Vision of UAV

Stolen vehicle

Ofc. Carlsrud intercepted a stolen vehicle in proximity to Taco Bell. The vehicle eluded the officer and accelerated to a speed above 100 mph. The officer terminated the pursuit (he was about to deploy StarChase) and lost sight at 165th and Bothell Way.

Suicide

A female community member advised she wanted to commit suicide. She was sent to the Hospital for evaluation.

A person tried to overdose (attempting suicide) using Trazodone. She was sent to the hospital for evaluation.

DUI

Patrol officers responded to a traffic accident (18400blk of 35th Ave NE) where an intoxicated female driver got stuck inside her vehicle (no injuries). She was obviously DUI and she was transported to Swedish Hospital - Edmonds for the blood draw. At the hospital she kicked Ofc. Coleman on his knee. She was charged with DUI and assault of an officer.

APS (Adult Protective Services)

ID Theft where the victim is a male born in 1923. Investigation in progress.

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Traffic Safety

Traffic Safety Highlights

September 2025	
Traffic Stops	391
Traffic General	53
Traffic Collisions	11
Parking tickets	7
Traffic Abandon	6
Impound	4
Hit and Run	2

Training:

TSO Johnson attended Basic Traffic Collision Investigations through the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission, where she learned the elements to prioritize and evaluate a collision, the importance of documenting with photographs and obtaining warrants. She also dove heavily into formulas to calculate drag factor, minimum speed, stopping distance and more.

Emphasis Patrols:

- From Ballinger Way NE to 35th Ave. NE via NE 190th St.
- Continued emphasis on 55th Ave. NE
 - Patrol reports average speeds are low to mid 30's

Construction Traffic:

- 35 Officer/ citizen contacts in the construction zone on 35th, 37th, 190th and 195th to include warnings and tickets.

School Zone patrol:

- School Zone patrol continues intermittently. Crossing guard reported noticing people slowing down looking for officer when they weren't there.
- Driver received an NOI for traveling 44 mph in a 25 mph at the 18700blk of 35th

Transit Lane Violation:

- 0830-0930- heavy patrol enforcement

Incidents:

- Driver on 195th/ Ballinger vehicle speeding. Driver not from this area and was educated on local speeds.
- Vehicle stopped for speeding 66 mph in a 40 mph, southbound SR522. Driver was arrested for DUI
- 1900blk of 35th - Distracted driver rear ends another vehicle, no injuries, one vehicle towed
- Vehicle ran red light at 145th, officer engaged pursuit to deploy StarChase then disengaged due to weather conditions and rate of speed. SPD was advised.

Parking:

- Vehicle parked on 195th illegally per 72hr, due to being in jail. RO was warned.
- 195th/ Forest Park Dr. - Expired temp. registration. Tagged for removal.
- Warned driver to display disabled placard properly
- 16500blk of 37th-

**Trees:**

- 178th and Ballinger - Large tree blocked roadway. Approx. 12" diameter, 40' long.

Officers going above and beyond:

Vehicle parked in NO Parking area, possibly related to previous juvenile call. Officers advised homeowner if anyone was too intoxicated to drive, to leave the vehicle and they would not enforce parking violation as that was better than them driving impaired.

Community acknowledgment:

Concerned citizens connect with TSO Johnson

"Thank you for the reply, Amanda. The patrols have been great and I appreciate LFP PD helping out during WSDOTs project."

“We appreciate that LFP is in the process of getting some things going on this street! We understand working with the county can take time and will remain patient.”

“Thanks for the update, I really appreciate for the action taken to ensure the safety of our community.”

2025 Lake Forest Park Inaugural Community Police Academy Graduation



We just wrapped up our first Community Police Academy (CPA) and it was a success! Over the past several weeks, community members learned about the many aspects of police work in our own community. They learned how to become a police officer (selection process, academy, field training, probation, etc.), patrol functions, traffic enforcement, investigation techniques, DUI enforcement, community policing, and even the future of policing. Each class combined theory and hands-on practice. Participants experienced mock traffic

stops, learned how fingerprints and DNA are collected, went through DUI field sobriety tests, and got a close look at the tools officers use in the field, including tasers, BolaWrap, Pepperball, body cameras, drones, and more.

The sessions were interactive, filled with great questions, teamwork, and even plenty of laughter. Chief Harden joined in the first and last classes to discuss the future of policing, answer questions, and personally present certificates to graduates.

The feedback from participants was outstanding! The survey results showed an overall experience of “Excellent” and “Exceeded expectations.”

Some of the comments were:

- “Deeper trust and confidence in the police department”
- “Learning about our tax dollars at work”
- “Officers are more approachable”



- “How involved it takes to become a police officer”
- “The technology is more advanced than I had known”
- “Personal stories from the officers”
- “I looked forward to each class”
- “This program is VERY important for the community to understand the lives of LFP Police”
- “Helped to clarify common civilian misunderstandings”
- “How much time goes into so many things”
- “The passion all members have for their jobs, their duties, and compassion for getting it right and protecting the community”
- “Thank you all for taking the time and making the effort to make the academy happen. It truly does provide excellent community awareness”
- “All classes were extremely valuable in understanding how our police dept works”
- “This class has been informative. I’m incredibly impressed with all you do; you are all so kind”
- “I learned tactics I was not aware of”
- “I love our police force”



We couldn't have done it without the hard work of Cmdr. Zanella and Cmdr. Adams, who organized and led this CPA session. A special thank you goes out to our instructors, Sgt. Gross, Sgt. Walker, Sgt. Czebotar, and Ofc. Carlsrud, all who did an outstanding job leading the classes, sharing the knowledge, and making the academy both fun and engaging. We truly appreciate their dedication and the time they spent with our community members.

Thank you to everyone who joined us, we look forward to the next Community Police Academy! The next opportunity to participate in the Academy will likely be in the Spring of 2026. See you there!



Pink Patch Project – Breast Cancer Awareness

The Lake Forest Park Police Department is proud to participate in the "Pink Patch Project" to raise awareness for the fight against breast cancer. With the sale of our pink patches and pink coins we are committed to support organizations that provide care, hope, and resources to those impacted by this devastating disease. All proceeds will be donated to Cancer Lifeline www.cancerlifeline.org

Pink Patches and Challenge Coins are for sale at the Lake Forest Park Police Department 17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98115 - Contact: Commander Diego Zanella at dzanella@cityoflfp.gov

Patches \$10.00 each or 2 for \$15.00

Challenge Coins \$10.00 each



Hopestream Community

The Lake Forest Park Police Department is proud to continue partnering with Hopestream, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides support, education, and resources for parents whose teens and young adults are struggling with substance use and mental health challenges.

Through this partnership, we're sponsoring free memberships for local moms and female caregivers to access free resources, Narcan, educational events and workshops, and 24/7 support—creating a place for connection, guidance, and hope as they navigate the confusion and isolation that comes with supporting a struggling child.

Hopestream is now offering a limited free membership for all parents, which includes the complimentary course Hope Starts Here - a practical and compassionate introduction to tools and support for families navigating these challenges.

If you or someone you know could benefit, email info@hopestreamcommunity.org to learn more or request a free membership.

I. Internal City Information

II. Council Information

III. Response to Citizen and Council Comments

IV. Contract Reporting

AG-25-039: Adopt-a-Drain Program Membership agreement, \$6,080.25

AG-25-040: Kaiser Foundation On-the-Job Occupational Health Program

AG-25-041: Picnic in the Park Performer agreements

V. Legislative Update

VI. Community Events

VII. Upcoming City Sponsored Events

[Community Preparedness Fair](#)

October 11, 2025, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Third Place Commons

[More Details](#)

[Q&A Session on Police and Public Safety Levy](#)

October 18, 2025, 9:00 AM City Hall

[More Details](#)

[Residential Recycling Event with Kenmore](#)

October 18, 2025, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

[More Details](#)

[Q&A Session on Police and Public Safety Levy](#)

October 22, 2025, 6:00 PM City Hall

[More Details](#)

[New Public Art Installation: "Nature's Repose" by Artist Melissa Cole](#)

October 25, 2025, 10:00 AM

[More Details](#)

VIII. Meetings Calendar

[Planning Commission Meeting \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

October 14, 2025, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM City Hall and via Zoom

[More Details](#)

[North King County Coalition on Homelessness](#)

October 16, 2025, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

[More Details](#)

[City Council Budget & Finance Committee Meeting \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

October 16, 2025, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM City Hall and via Zoom

[More Details](#)

[City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

October 20, 2025, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM City Hall and via Zoom

[More Details](#)

[City Council Regular Meeting \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

October 23, 2025, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM City Hall and via Zoom

[More Details](#)

[Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting \(hybrid meeting\)](#)

October 28, 2025, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM City Hall and via Zoom

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