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From: Raymond Kelly Richardson
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Date: September 27, 2018

Re: Council Response

Councilor Nuon/Councilor Samaras – Request City Manager to instruct Superintendent of Police and all involved to identify any problematic areas in the City and plans to address the situation

Attached, please find a review of the Compstat Crimes produced by the Crime Analysis Unit for June 1, 2018 through August 31, 2018. After review it was discovered that crime has decreased across all neighborhoods with the only exception being a slight increase in Back Central. Both gun shots fired and gang involved incidents have increased during this time period when compared to last year. After careful review the Lowell Police Department (LPD) has utilized several strategies to address these issues. Both the Shannon grant and Staffing grant funds are being utilized to increase staffing in the Hotspot areas. The LPD Sector Captains will continue to monitor and assign Directed Patrols and/or Specialty Units as needed to curtail this increased activity.



Lowell Police Department

June- August 2017- 2018 Crime Comparison

Compstat Crimes

During the time period of June 1-August 31, 2018, Compstat crimes have decreased 29% when compared to the same time period in 2017. All crime categories have declined with the exception of Shoplifting, which increased 79% over the 3 month period, and 30% year-to-date.

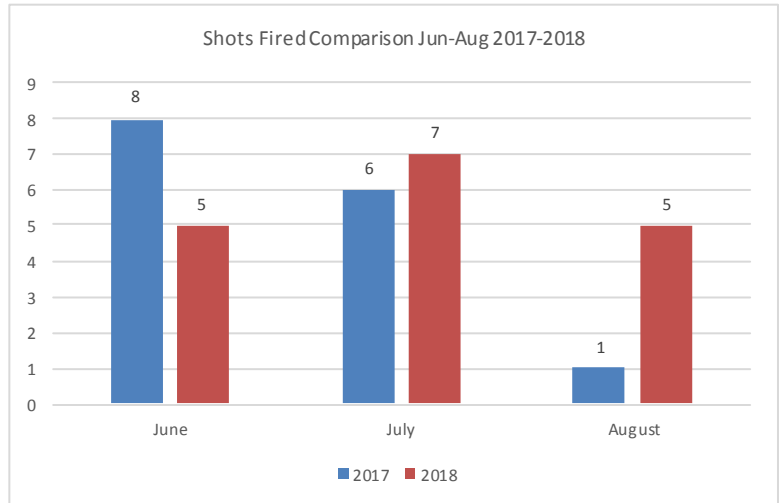
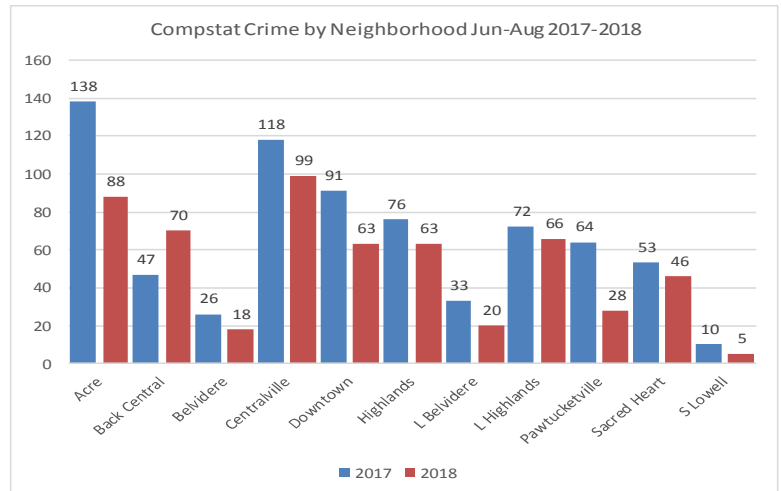
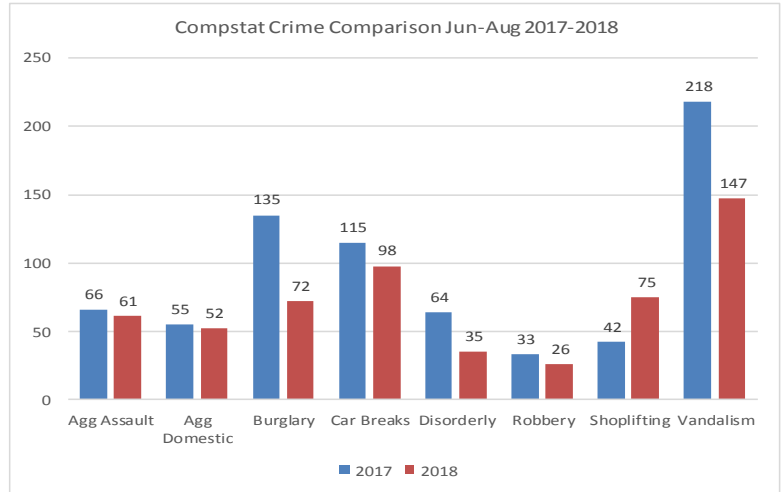
Crime has declined across all neighborhoods with the exception of Back Central, which increased 49%. Vandalism (67% or +8), Aggravated Assault (100% or +6), and Car Breaks (100% or +5) appear to be driving the increase. The summer months have been problematic in this neighborhood, however when looking YTD, the Back Central neighborhood is showing a 5% increase.

Shots Fired/ Discharge of a Firearm

The number of shots fired incidents June -August 2018, have increased 13% (+2) when compared to 2017. Incidents in 2018 differ from the prior year, as shootings appear to target specific people with 5 victims being shot. In all of these cases, the victims, suspects, and/or offenders are known to one another, and all have a gang/drug nexus. Whereas, in 2017 incidents of shots fired appeared random in nature, with no victims. Sixty-four firearms have been recovered year-to-date.

Gang-Related Incidents

Gang involved incidents, June 1 -August 2018 have increased 10% (+7) when compared to the same time period in 2017. The increase is due in part to an increase in Aggravated Assaults (150% or +6), which are discussed above under shots fired, but more so from the increase of motor vehicle stops (63% or +10%) conducted within identified hotspots. Forty-eight suspected gang members/associates were arrested during this time period.





Hotspot: Compstat Crimes June-August 2018

