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Citations

Tulsa Police officers issue citations for alleged violations of City of Tulsa ordinances. The violations cited are most often traffic related, but may also include criminal code violations as well. City ordinance and Department policy dictate the circumstances under which an officer may issue a citation. Officers have discretion in some circumstances and not in others.

The Tulsa Police Department has no citation quota for officers. Patrol officers are expected to enforce traffic ordinances as a part of their duties, which includes issuing citations. Dedicated traffic units focus their enforcement specifically on traffic issues. All fines received from citation fines go the general fund of the City of Tulsa. The Tulsa Police

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BOLO...BOLO...BOLO...



Sept 2nd – This subject robbed the Walgreens, 1424 S. Yale Ave. He implied that he had a handgun. Loss was controlled drugs. At the time of the robbery, subject wore a black tee shirt (discarded and changed to green) and tan cargo shorts.

If you see this subject, call 911 or Crime Stoppers 918-596-COPS.

Have you seen him?

Crime Tip

Inhalant abuse can kill. Even if it doesn't kill you, it can leave you with severe brain damage. A first time user can end up dead after sniffing or huffing inhalants.

Everyday products such as glue, paint, lighter fluid, fingernail polish, permanent markers are commonly abused.

From the Major's Desk...

Last week we had two robberies reported in Riverside Division, one of an individual, and the one noted above. Burglaries and auto thefts have also decreased slightly.

Don't let your guard down. We still need neighbors to be vigilant. Be a good witness. Report suspicious people and vehicles.

Introducing Officer Herman



Officer Kurt Herman has been with the TPD since 1996. He worked 8 years at Gilcrease Division and 7 years at Riverside Division. He has been a Field Training Officer for over 12 years. Officer Herman served on the Pursuit Review Board and is an Advanced Traffic Investigator. He is married with two children and enjoys golfing and coaching his children's softball team. Officer Herman is currently working as Ida 207.

Catch of the Day...

Two citizens were shot and killed near 1400 East 71st on the evening of August 30th. A subject stole a car the following morning at the Sam's Club, 4420 South Sheridan Road. Officer Don Holloway recognized the description as matching the homicide suspect. He broadcast a detailed description of the stolen car and suspect.

Officer Richard Farmer spotted the stolen car and chased it till the occupants jumped out and fled on foot. Officers Don Deramus and Ben Brandt chased and tackled double homicide suspect Zane Atchison.



Zane Atchison

Have a question?

Send us your question at [TPD Riverside News](#)
We'll answer in an upcoming newsletter.

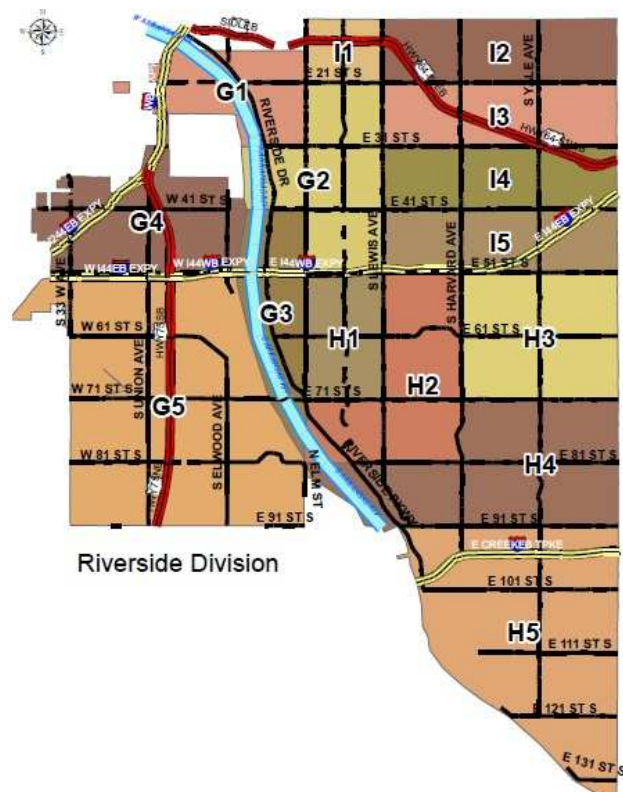
Q: Do you know when there will be another police academy class?

A: We have been told that a class of 30 recruits is approved to begin academy training in November 2011.

Find your beat →

The Riverside Division covers a large portion of south and west Tulsa. Generally, we serve citizens south of 11th Street and west of Sheridan Road to the city limits.

George, Henry and Ida are the names of the 3 squad areas in the Division. Each squad contains 5 beats.



Upcoming Events

Sept 10th

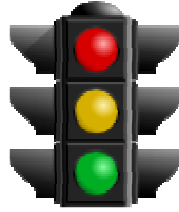
Breaking Chains on Brookside
Street Closings: Peoria – 33rd Pl. to 43rd St., 41st at Peoria.
Sept 10th 8:30 am to 10:30 am

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Route 66 – CPA Run
Street Closings: 11th St – Delaware to Florence, Delaware – 5th to 11th St, 8th – Delaware to Gary, 5th – Delaware to Florence, Florence – 5th St to 5th Pl, 5th Pl – Florence to New Haven.
Sept 10th 7:30 am to 9:30 am

Sept 23rd-25th

OK Greenfest 2011
Street Closings: Boston Ave. – 17th to 18th, 17th St. – ½ block east and west of Boston Ave.
Sept 23rd 9:00 am to Sept 26th 8:00 am



The Traffic Signal

Information from the Riverside Traffic Unit

Recently the Riverside Traffic Unit has investigated several fatality collisions involving pedestrians crossing the roadway. **Remember! Every pedestrian shall cross the street within the crosswalk or at an intersection.**

This provision does not apply to residential neighborhoods (except where a major street passes through such neighborhood or traffic-control devices provided).



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Department does not receive citation fines.

Warning citations have no fine, and do not appear on a driver's record. Officers may issue warning citations for equipment violations only. For example, an officer has the discretion to issue a warning citation for a broken tail light, but may not issue a warning citation for speeding.

Preset fine amounts are set by City ordinance and/or an Administrative Order of the Presiding Municipal Judge. The ordinance or order may require a court appearance, with no option to pay a preset fine. Speeding in a school zone requires a court appearance.

Officers have the discretion to cite or arrest violators for the alleged violation of some ordinances. Driving under Suspension and Trespassing are examples of violations in which the officer may arrest the violator or issue a citation requiring a court appearance.

An alleged violator is required to sign the citation in order to be released on the violator's own recognizance. Refusing to sign the citation will result in the arrest of the alleged violator.

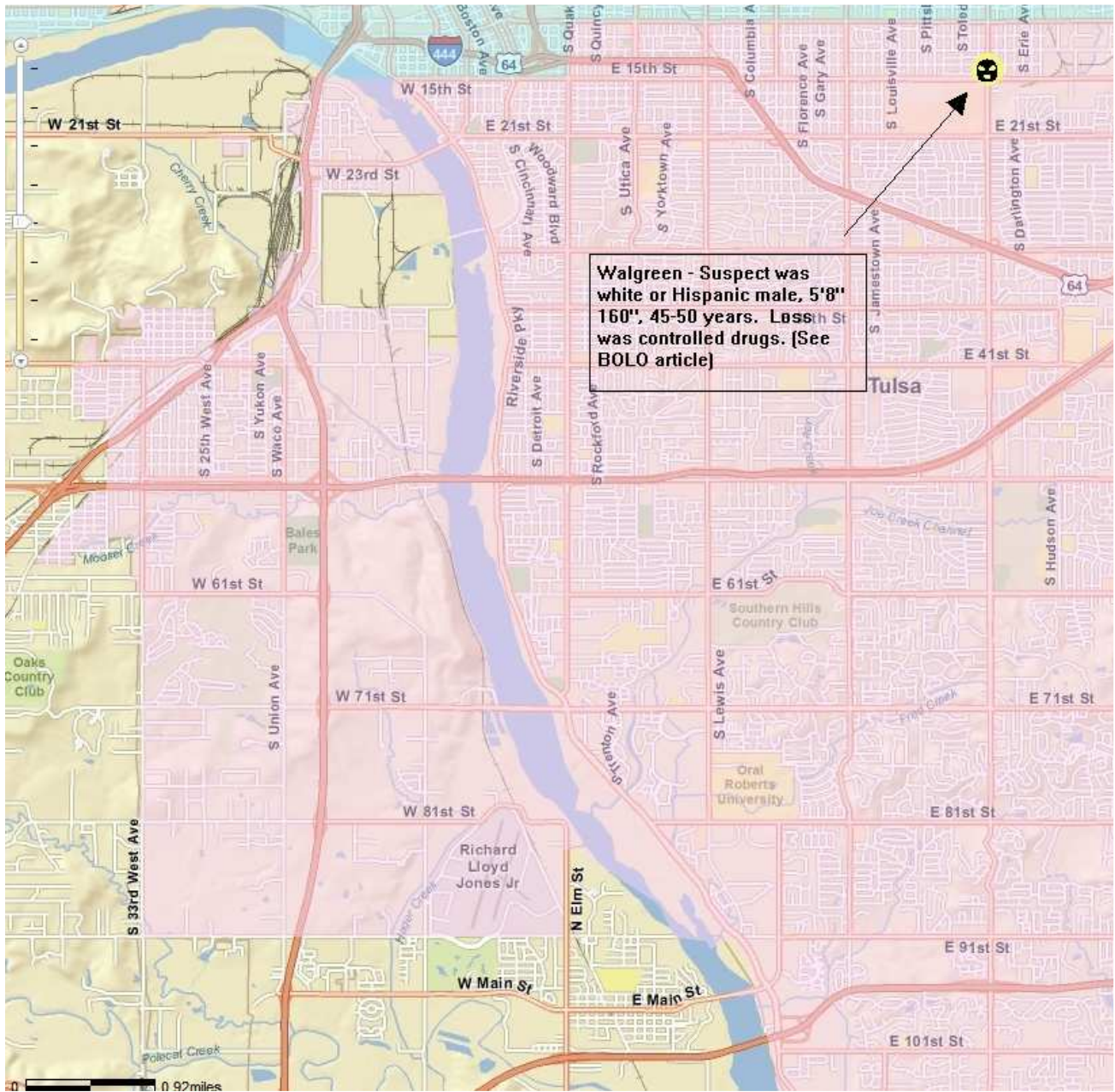
Some alleged violations require arrest, with no option for a citation. DUI and Eluding an Officer are violations that will result in arrest.

Some violations are dismissed upon proof of compliance. A citation for No Proof of Insurance will be dismissed at the Court Clerk's window, if proof is provided within 48 working hours that the vehicle driven was insured at the time of the citation. No court costs are assessed within the 48 working hours. A citation for No Driver's License will be dismissed if proof of a valid driver's license is provided by the citation court date. Court costs, currently \$40, are assessed.

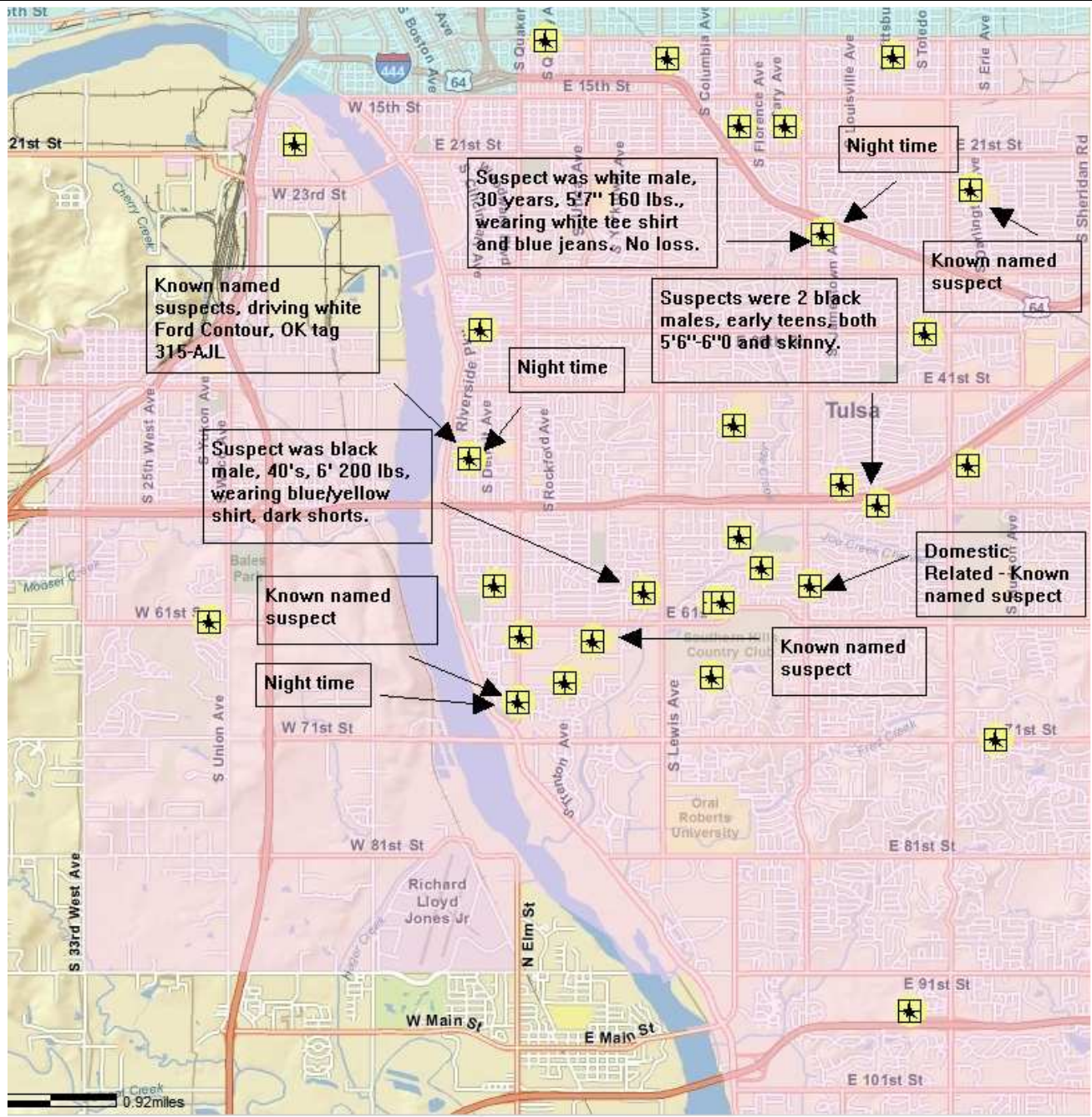
Officers set a court date on the citation of at least 10 working days following the alleged violation. Officers write "Court" in the fine space on the citation when a court appearance is required. If the citation has a preset fine, the alleged violator has until the court date to plead guilty or nolo contendere and pay the fine, plead not guilty and set an arraignment date with the Court, or receive an extension of time from the Court.

The one option strongly discouraged is ignoring the citation. Failure to appear will result in a warrant for the arrest of the alleged violator and suspension of the driver's license.

Crime Bulletin: Commercial Robbery



Crime Bulletin: Residential Burglary



The majority of residential burglaries occur in the daytime when most residents are not home. Those burglaries known to have occurred at night are noted.

Suspect vehicle to watch for: **white Ford Contour, OK tag 315-AJL.**

Crime Bulletin: Auto Theft

