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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 19-316-MJ

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 9/30/2019 10:22
AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Pasadena Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 1201 Davis Street

Agency City: Pasadena

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77506

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Joshua

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Bruegger

Reporter Name: Steven Skripka

Reporter Email: sskripka@pasadenatx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jamal

Middle Name: Ali

Last Name: Shaw

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 8/4/1986

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 32

Date/Time of Custody (arrest, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 3/28/2019 2:26 AM

Date/Time of Death (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Death Date and Time: 3/29/2019 12:15
PM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner
Evaluation?: Yes, results are
available

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Could not be

Manner of Death: determined

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Undetermined

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment: No

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?: Unknown whether
decedent sustained
a fatal injury

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of weapon that caused
death?: Not Applicable

Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?

Pre existing medical
condition?: Could not be
determined

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death: Unknown

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 1201 Davis

City: Pasadena

County: Harris

Zip: 77506

What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category: Law Enforcement
Facility

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody: Municipal Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Jail - multiple occupancy cell

What was the time and date of the deceased's entry into the law enforcement facility where the death occurred (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Entry Date Time: 3/28/2019 2:33 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Medical facility

General Information

Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

Other Agencies Respond?: No

What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death?

Offense 1:

Public Intoxication (Other than Alcohol)

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Violent Crime
Against Persons;
Alcohol / drug
offense

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent display or use a weapon?

Decedent display/use of
weapons: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Attempt to Injure Others?: Yes (select all that
apply)

Ways Decedent Attempted To
Injure Others: Attempted to injure
law enforcement
personnel

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or
drugs): Yes

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health
problems?: Unknown

Exhibit any medical problems?: Yes

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Barricade self or initiate standoff?:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Unknown	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	No
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	No		

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint: Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint:	Other device, specify
Other device, specify:	Handcuffs and a Restraint Chair.

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On March 28, 2019, at approximately 2:26 a.m., officers from the Pasadena Police Department arrested Jamal Ali Shaw (08/04/86) for public intoxication other than alcohol at 829 W. SH 225, which is the location of a Shell gas station. Mr. Shaw was transported to the Pasadena jail where he was booked and confined without incident.

At approximately 6:13 a.m., the jail staff was notified by other inmates that Mr. Shaw was convulsing on the floor of the jail cell. In an attempt to render aid, the jail staff tried to restrain Mr. Shaw; however, he was combative. As a result, the jailers used a Taser in an attempt to subdue him to minimize injury to themselves

or Mr. Shaw through the use of physical force. Mr. Shaw was eventually restrained by the jail staff until emergency medical services arrived and administered medical aid. While Mr. Shaw was being transported to Bayshore Hospital by ambulance, the medical staff had to perform CPR.

After Mr. Shaw arrived at the hospital, he received additional medical care. Unfortunately, he was later pronounced deceased on March 29, 2019, at 12:15pm. The death is currently under investigation by the Pasadena Police Department, the Medical Examiner Service with Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, and the Harris County District Attorney's Office. Pasadena Police detectives have interviewed the other inmates in Mr. Shaw's cell and conducted a cursory review of the jail surveillance video. To this point in the investigation, witness and jail staff statements are consistent with what is depicted on jail surveillance video. This incident is still under investigation.