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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 22-1034-UF

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 10/26/2022 10:33
AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Houston Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 1200 Travis, 16th
Floor

Agency City: Houston

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77002

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Troy

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Finner

Reporter Name: Kimberly Fowler

Reporter Email: kimberly.fowler@houstonpolice.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Chucker

Middle Name: Lepold

Last Name: Harper

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 7/30/1961

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 60

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 7/27/2022 1:34 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/28/2022 1:45 AM

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)

Manner of Death: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Acute cocaine toxicity

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

Medical Treatment: Unknown

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?: Unknown

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: 13506 Boise Street

City: Houston

County: Harris

Zip: 77015

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

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

Type of Custody: Pre-Custodial Use
of Force

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing arrest

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:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☒

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?: Yes

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:

Evading in a Motor Vehicle

Offense 2:

Aggravated Robbery (Parole Warrant)

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: A probation/parole violation

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

Type of Offense: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Traffic Violation

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?: No

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

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): Unknown

Make suicidal statements?: Unknown

Exhibit any mental health problems?: Unknown

Exhibit any medical problems?: Unknown

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?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	No	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	Yes
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: No

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

On Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 1255 hours, officers assigned to the Houston Police Department Narcotics Division were conducting an investigation in the area of 13400 Granada Street and requested Northeast Division patrol officers conduct a traffic stop on the decedent's vehicle.

Northeast Officers observed the decedent, who was driving a red Dodge truck, commit a traffic violation. Northeast Officers were in marked HPD vehicles; therefore, they initiated a traffic stop on the decedent's vehicle using their emergency equipment. The decedent fled from Northeast Officers. The decedent's vehicle crashed near the intersection of Evanston and East Frwy Service Road, striking a civilian's vehicle and a marquee sign.

The decedent fled on foot from the location and was last seen entering the back yard at 13505 Topeka Street. Northeast Officers set up a perimeter. K9 Officers entered the back yard and located the decedent on the other side of the fence, in the back yard of 13506 Boise Street. The decedent was lying face down in some bushes.

Northeast Officers approached the decedent with weapons drawn and gave the decedent verbal commands. With no response for the decedent and no movement, a Northeast Officer holstered his weapon and placed the decedent in handcuffs at 1334 hours. When the decedent was turned over, the Northeast Officer realized he was not conscious and not breathing. The Northeast Officer checked for a pulse, but could not find one. The Northeast Officer began CPR. CPR continued until the Houston Fire Department (HFD) paramedics arrived at 1345 hours. HFD transported the decedent to Lyndon B. Johnson hospital, where he was declared deceased at 0145 hours on July 28, 2022.

