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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 22-1574-UF

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 11/30/2022 7:02
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: Alfredo

Middle Name: Gonzales

Last Name: Garza

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 6/19/1996

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 26

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 10/25/2022 8:00 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/25/2022 8:13 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: Homicide (includes Justifiable

Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Multiple Gunshot wounds.

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

Medical Treatment: Not Applicable

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

Who caused the death?: Law
enforcement/correctional
personnel

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?: Handgun

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?: Not Applicable;
cause of death was
accidental injury,
intoxication, suicide
or homicide

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

Means of Death: Firearm

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 1700 Wirt Road

City: Houston

County: Harris

Zip: 77055

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

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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: Scene of incident

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:

Aggravated Assault Against Police Officer DW

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Not filed at time of death

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

Type of Offense: Violent Crime
Against Persons;
Crime Against
Property

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: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Displayed other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Displayed:

Knife and Metal Flagpole

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 civilian(s) or other inmate(s)

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?: Yes

Exhibit any medical problems?: No

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

Barricade self or initiate standoff?: Yes

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: 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 Friday, October 25, 2022, around 0753 hours, a citizen called 9-1-1 and requested the police due to male striking her vehicle with a flagpole and cracking her windshield as she drove in the 7700 block of Long Point Road. Other citizens also call 9-1-1 to report the suspect for Aggressive Panhandling. A uniformed Houston Police Officer, riding alone, assigned to the Northwest Patrol Division responded to the scene and located the suspect at the corner of Long Point Road and Wirt Road. The officer confronted the suspect to detain him, but the suspect became aggressive, produced a knife, and quickly walked directly toward the officer. The officer held the suspect at gunpoint, gave him commands to drop the weapon and increased his distance from the suspect. The suspect stopped advancing toward the officer after pushing the officer back beyond his patrol car. He then returned to where he was initially standing and took an elevated position on a brick structure by the roadway and continued to refuse the officer's commands to drop the knife.

The suspect, still armed with the knife, walked southbound on Wirt Road, grabbing the large flag with metal flagpole as he went. He walked southbound on Wirt Road, grabbing the large flag with metal flagpole as he went. He walked south on the sidewalk and the officer followed, continuing to give the suspect commands to drop the weapons and to stop while also calling for back-up. The suspect then abruptly turned to face the officer and came towards the officer with the weapons still in his hands. The officer discharged his duty weapon four times and struck the suspect. Officers provided immediate first aid until the Houston Fire Department arrived and pronounced the suspect deceased at the scene.