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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 25-906-UF

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 11/12/2025 11:15
AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Temple Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 209 E. Avenue A.

Agency City: Temple

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 76501

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Allen

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Teston

Reporter Name: Gary Smith

Reporter Email: gesmith@templetx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Michael

Middle Name: R

Last Name: Bishoff

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/3/1977

Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 48

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 10/23/2025 9:51 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/23/2025 10:40 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)

Manner of Death: Homicide (includes Justifiable

Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

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: Yes

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: 600 S 25th Street

City: Temple

County: Bell

Zip: 76504

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Rail Road Tracks

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?: 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 on a Public Servant

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

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: Used other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Used:

Lighter and Mechanic Pencils

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?: Yes

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?: 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: Yes

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 10/23/2025 at approximately 2151 hours, two Temple Police Officers arrived at the 1200 block of West Avenue G to contact a suspicious individual later identified as Michael Bishoff. When approached, Bishoff walked away despite repeated commands to stop. Officers reported that Bishoff was armed with a knife and placed him at gunpoint. Bishoff made verbal threats toward the officers and refused to comply with their instructions.

A foot pursuit ensued through nearby streets and along the railroad tracks. During the pursuit, Bishoff continued to ignore verbal commands, removed his shirt, and made additional threats. He expressed that he would not return to jail and challenged the officers while advancing toward them with an object in his hand. Despite repeated orders to stop and drop the weapon, Bishoff continued to move toward one of the officers. In response, both officers discharged their firearms. Bishoff fell to the ground, and officers immediately began life-saving measures, including chest compressions, noting bleeding from his chest and mouth. Bishoff was then transported to the hospital.