Memorandum



DATE: January 15, 2010

To: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Administrative (Police) Reports

I. A. D. Cases to be Presented to the Public Safety Committee on January 19, 2010

NEW CASE PRESENTATION:

Control #09-423 Council District: 17

Involved Officers: (1) White Male Suspect: (1) Black Male

On November 24, 2009, at approximately 10:20 p.m., Involved Officer was working Northeast Deployment in a covert capacity as a one-man element. The Involved Officer was dressed in civilian clothes, wearing a ballistic vest with "POLICE" written in large letters across the chest area and driving a covert gray vehicle. While listening to the police radio, the Involved Officer heard a broadcast from the police dispatcher of an Aggravated Robbery of an Individual that had just occurred in the 5100 block of Greenville Avenue. A suspect description was also given. As the Involved Officer searched for the suspect, he observed a male matching the description running across Mockingbird Lane at the intersection of Matilda Street. At this point the Involved Officer notified the dispatcher that he had a visual of the suspect. The Involved Officer turned into an alley off the 4900 block of Greenville Avenue and observed the suspect slowly walking towards him. The Involved Officer stopped his vehicle where he and the suspect made eye contact. The suspect then walked quickly toward the driver's side of the Involved Officer's vehicle. Fearing that the suspect was going to rob him, the Involved Officer exited the vehicle with his duty weapon drawn and stated, "Police, get on the ground." The suspect turned and fled down the alley. As the suspect fled, he was grasping the front of his waistband as if he was holding something. The Involved Officer gave verbal commands to the suspect to stop, but the suspect continued running down the alley. The suspect then climbed a rear chain linked fence at 5716 Winton Street. As the suspect was climbing the fence, he stopped, raised his right arm with his hand canted to the side and appeared to be holding an unknown dark object. The Involved Officer, believing that the suspect was pointing a gun at him, moved to get out of the line of fire. The suspect continued over the fence. The Involved Officer, with his weapon and flashlight drawn, approached the fence and observed the suspect standing in the backyard of the residence with his right arm raised pointed in the direction of the Involved Officer. The Involved Officer then heard the suspect state, "I am going to kill you." Believing the suspect to be armed, and fearing for his life, the Involved Officer fired three rounds at the suspect. The suspect was struck once in the right calf. The suspect was taken into custody and transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital by Dallas Fire Rescue where he was listed in good condition. The Involved Officer did not receive any injuries. The vehicle used by the suspect had been reported stolen earlier in the evening. Money believed to belong to the complainant as well as other evidence was recovered with the vehicle.

The suspect has been charged with Aggravated Robbery, Felony of the First Degree.

STATUS: Under Investigation

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Control #09-447 Council District: 2

Involved Officers: (1) White Male Suspect: (1) White Male

On December 18, 2009, at approximately 2:20 a.m., the Involved Officer in full uniform and driving a marked police vehicle, responded to a call from the police dispatcher regarding a disturbance at 5215 Belmont Avenue. When the Involved Officer arrived at the location, he spoke with the complainant, who stated that her former boyfriend came to her apartment and engaged in an argument. The complainant further informed the Involved Officer that during the argument, the suspect head-butted her causing her nose to bleed, choked her and then grabbed a steak knife from the kitchen counter stating he had nothing to live for. The complainant stated the suspect had been staying at the location for the past few months. The suspect had fled the location prior to the Involved Officer's arrival. Because the suspect had fled the scene, Involved Officer completed an Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon (Family Violence) offense report and left the location. At approximately 4:35 a.m., a second call came out at the same location involving the suspect. The Involved Officer requested to be added to the call since he had taken the original call at the location. The Involved officer was the first officer to arrive at the scene. As he was walking through the breezeway towards the complainant's apartment, the Involved Officer observed the suspect walking in his direction wearing a hooded jacket with his head lowered and his hands in his pocket. The Involved Officer drew his weapon and gave loud verbal commands for the suspect to show his hands and get on the ground. The suspect looked at the Involved Officer, grinned, and charged the officer, head-butting him in the nose. At this point, a struggle ensued at which time the Involved Officer struck the suspect with his weapon. The suspect then fled on foot being pursued by the officer. As the Involved Officer rounded a corner of the apartment building, he and the suspect collided causing both to fall to the ground. The Involved Officer still had his weapon drawn and after falling to the ground, the suspect pinned the Involved Officer's arm to the ground and attempted to pry the officer's weapon from his hand. As the Involved Officer and the suspect, who both had hands on the weapon, struggled for the weapon, the weapon discharged, striking the suspect in the left knee. The suspect fled the location and was found a short time later hiding under a vehicle in the 5000 block of Manett Street by cover officers. The suspect was transported to Baylor Medical Hospital by Dallas Fire Rescue. The Involved Officer suffered minor injuries and was treated at the scene.

The suspect has been charged with Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon (Strangulation) Family Violence, Assault on a Public Servant and Attempt to Take Officer's Weapon.

STATUS: Under Investigation

Control #09-457 Council District: 11

Involved Officers: (1) Hispanic Female
Suspect: (1) Hispanic Male

On December 20, 2009, at approximately 2:15 a.m., the Involved Officer was off-duty, in civilian clothing and driving her personal vehicle southbound on Dallas North Parkway

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Officer observed the vehicle swerving in and out of traffic lanes with the suspect slumped over in the driver's seat. As the Involved Officer followed the suspect's vehicle, she called 9-1-1 to request backup on-duty officers. The Involved Officer continued following the suspect who pulled in the Davenport Apartments located at 14500 Dallas North Parkway. The suspect drove slowly through the apartment parking lot before pulling into a parking space where he exited the vehicle. After the suspect exited the vehicle, the Involved Officer approached the suspect and identified herself as a Dallas Police Officer. The Involved Officer's badge was displayed and her duty weapon was drawn. The Involved Officer then ordered the suspect in both Spanish and English to put his hands up and to get on the ground. The suspect complied but when the Involved Officer turned to look around because she felt as if someone was walking up behind her, the suspect got up and charged at the Involved Officer. The suspect placed his arm around the Involved Officer and began grabbing for her weapon. Fearing for her safety, the Involved Officer fired one round striking the suspect. The suspect continued struggling with the Involved Officer at which time she struck him on the top of his head with her weapon. The suspect then stated, "Fuck you, Fuck the Police" as the struggle continued through the breezeway and into another area of the complex. As the struggle with the suspect continued, the Involved Officer, still being in fear for her life, fired several more rounds at the suspect. After the suspect fell to the ground, on-duty officers arrived at the scene. The suspect was transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital by Dallas Fire Rescue where he was listed in critical condition. The Involved Officer was treated at the scene for minor scratches to her hands.

The suspect has been charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Attempt to Take Peace Officer's Weapon.

STATUS: Under Investigation

Control #09-459 Council District: 5

Involved Officers: (10) White Males

(1) Hispanic Males(2) Black Males

(2) Mesquite Officers

Suspect: (1) Black Male

On December 27, 2009, at approximately 9:15 p.m., Mesquite Officers became involved in a vehicle pursuit involving a white Chevrolet Impala whose occupants were suspected of robbing a Papa John's Pizza at gun point. The vehicle being driven by the suspect was traveling at a speed of 120 mile per hour as it entered the City of Dallas. As the suspect vehicle entered Dallas, Air One alerted Dallas officers of the suspect's direction of travel but no Dallas officer entered the chase. The driver of the suspect vehicle exited the vehicle, as it was moving, near the intersection of Mesita and Muskogee. At this point, the pursuing Mesquite officers temporarily lost sight of the suspect, but Dallas officers who were in the area located the suspect as he ran onto the front porch of a private residence at 10008 Mesita Drive. As the suspect stood on the porch, he held an automatic pistol in one

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hand and a cellular phone in the other. A Dallas supervisor on the scene attempted to talk the suspect, who was talking to his mother on the cellular phone as he held the pistol to his head, into putting the gun down but the suspect refused. The fifteen Involved Officers, two Mesquite Officers and fifteen Witness Officers from both Dallas and Mesquite took up positions of cover. As the officers stood in their positions, the suspect continued to talk on the phone while moving the pistol from the side of his head to under his chin. As the suspect was moving the pistol from under his chin in a downward motion while moving the pistol back to the side of his head, the Involved Officers felt in fear of their lives and fired several shots at the suspect striking him multiple times. The suspect was transported to Baylor Medical Hospital by Dallas Fire Rescue where he died as a result of his injuries. No injuries were sustained by the officers.

The other suspects involved in the robbery of Papa John's Pizza were apprehended about a block away at 1445 Algonquin Drive.

STATUS: Under Investigation

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