

Memorandum



DATE: August 10, 2012

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: I. A. D. Cases to be Presented to the Public Safety Committee on August 14, 2012

NEW CASE PRESENTATION:

Control #2012-210

Council District: 3
Involved Officers: (1) Hispanic Male
Suspects: (1) Black Male

On June 2, 2012, at approximately 5:30 p.m., the Involved Officer was working a one man element in full police uniform and driving a marked police vehicle. While on routine patrol, the Officer observed the suspect commit a traffic violation when he failed to use his turn signal prior to making a right turn into the Spring Ridge Apartment complex in the 3600 block of Folklore Trail. At this point the Officer activated the overhead emergency lights and performed a traffic stop. The suspect, who was the driver of the vehicle, pulled the vehicle into a parking spot. As the Officer approached the vehicle he could smell the odor of marijuana emanating from the driver's window. The Officer asked the suspect if there were any drugs or weapons in the vehicle, to which the suspect responded that there were not. The Officer noticed that the suspect was acting nervous, so he instructed the suspect to exit the vehicle. When the suspect exited the vehicle, the Officer turned the suspect away from him in order to perform a Terry Frisk of the suspect's person. While conducting the pat down search, the Officer observed the butt of a gun protruding from the suspect's right side waistband. The Officer immediately grabbed the suspect's hands and yelled, "Don't grab the gun!" The suspect then began to struggle with the Officer attempting to pull his hands away. During the struggle, the suspect was able to free his right hand and reach for the gun he had in the waistband of his pants. Fearing for his life, the Officer fired one round from his duty weapon, striking the suspect. The suspect was transported to Methodist Central Hospital by Dallas Fire Rescue where he was pronounced deceased. The officer was not injured.

There were two additional occupants in the suspect's vehicle who were transported to the Crimes Against Persons Division, interviewed and released. Recovered at the scene was a fully loaded 40 caliber Springfield Arms handgun that had been reported stolen out of Plano, Texas.

STATUS: Under Investigation

Control #2012-229

Council District: 3
Involved Officers: (3) White Males
Suspects: (1) White Male

On June 24, 2012, at approximately 10:10 a.m., the Involved Officer, who was off-duty and in full uniform, entered the Taco Bell located at 4345 W. Camp Wisdom Road to get something to eat. While inside the establishment, the Officer observed the suspect talking with two other individuals. The Officer observed a marijuana cigarette tucked behind the suspect's ear. The officer asked the suspect to come over and talk to him at which time the suspect became belligerent and began using profane language. Because of the way the suspect was acting, the Officer became wary, drew his duty weapon and again instructed the suspect to come and talk to him. The suspect began running toward the door, and as he was doing so, he began reaching into the front of his waistband. As the suspect ran toward the door, he fell over a metal rail that was positioned in front of the door. At this point, the suspect drew a black handgun from his front waistband. Fearing for his life, the Officer fired his duty weapon at the suspect who then threw his weapon across the restaurant. The suspect was transported to Methodist Central Hospital by Dallas Fire and Rescue where he later died as a result of his injury. The officer was not injured.

The two witnesses, who were with the suspect, were transported to the Crimes Against Persons Division, interviewed and released. A Logan 380 handgun was recovered at the location as well as one marijuana cigarette.

STATUS: Under Investigation

Control #2012-306

Council District: 7
Involved Officers: (2) White Males
Suspects: (2) Black Males

On July 24, 2012, at approximately 5:08 p.m., Officers #1 and #2, who were in full police uniform and driving marked police vehicles, responded to a kidnapping call at 5316 Bourquin Street. When the officers arrived at the location, they heard noise coming from inside the residence. Officer #1 knocked on a side door and then heard someone inside the residence say, "Come in." When Officer #1 opened the exterior door, he was stopped by a metal cage fastened to an interior door. Officer #1 then yelled, "Police," at which time someone inside slammed the interior door closed. Officers #1 and #2 went to the side window but their view was obstructed by the air conditioner. The officer pushed the air conditioner unit out of the way and observed four black male suspects inside the residence. The officers also observed a handgun lying on a table. At this point, all four suspects jumped up, one of the suspects grabbed

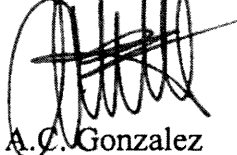
the handgun, and they all fled to the rear of the residence. Officers #1 and #2 then heard glass breaking. Both officers ran to the rear of the residence where they observed the suspects jumping out of the window and attempting to flee the location. Officer #2 took Suspect #1 into custody as he attempted to jump a fence behind the residence. The other three suspects continued running. Officer #1 caught up with Suspect #1 as he attempted to jump the fence. Officer #1 grabbed Suspect #1's legs at which time Suspect #1 kicked Officer #1 in the chest. Suspect #1 continued over the fence with Officer #1 in pursuit. Officer #1 pursued Suspect #1 over three fences before ending up in a horse corral at 3803 Mural Lane. Once inside the horse corral, Suspect #1 turned and began fighting with Officer #1. Officer #1 and Suspect #1 fought violently causing Officer #1 to lose his handcuffs. During the fight, Suspect #1 made numerous statements to the effect that Officer #1 was going to have to kill him. Throughout the foot pursuit and fight, Suspect #1 kept his hand on his pocket. Because Officer #1 had seen a handgun lying on a table in the residence that Suspect #1 fled from, Officer #1 feared that Suspect #1 was armed. Officer #1 and Suspect #1 fought violently two additional times. During the third violent encounter, Suspect #1 again stated something to the effect that Officer #1 was going to have to kill him. Suspect #1 still had his hand on his pocket as if he had a weapon. By this time Officer #1 was overheated and exhausted. Fearing for his life, Officer #1 fired his duty weapon striking Suspect #1. Dallas Fire and Rescue responded to the location and Suspect #1 was pronounced deceased at the scene. Officer #1 suffered scratches on both arms.

A search warrant was executed at 5316 Bourquin Street by Crimes Against Persons and Narcotics detectives. Recovered from the location was one Ruger P95 handgun, one Mosburg 12 gauge shotgun, 171 grams of marijuana, 16.1 grams PCP (38 vials), 30.1 grams of Crack Cocaine inside the residence, 19 grams of Crack Cocaine outside the residence on the path the suspects took when fleeing, 24.1 grams of Xanax, and 52.1 grams of Hydrocodene. Also found were nine cell phones, four digital scales and a partial drug ledger. Also, \$437.00 was recovered from the right front pants pocket of Suspect #1 at the scene.

Suspect #2 was transported to the Crimes Against Persons Division where he was interrogated and subsequently arrested for two alias tickets out of Dallas and Evading Arrest.

At this time it is undetermined who made the telephone call that initiated this incident.

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