

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

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Report Date: 10/12/2018 5:58 PM

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Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Austin Police Dept.

Agency City: Austin

Agency Zip: 78768

Agency Address: PO BOX 689001

Agency State: TX

Director Information

Director Salutation: Lieutenant Director First Name: Kurt

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Thomas

Reporter Name: Kurt Thomas Reporter Email: kurt.thomas@austintexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

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First Name:	Thomas	
Middle Name:	Vincent	
Last Name:	Alvarez	
Suffix:		
Date of Birth:	6/24/1994	Sex: Male
Race:	Hispanic or Latino	
Age At Time Of Death:	23	
Date/Time of Custody (arre	est, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm A	AM/PM):
Date/Time of Custody or Incident:	2/19/2018 6:03 PM	
Date/Time of Death (mm/de	d/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):	
Death Date and Time:	2/19/2018 7:36 PM	
Manner / Cause of	f Death	
Has a medical evaminer or	coroner conducted an evaluation to det	ermine a cause of death?
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Medical Examinor/Coroner	Vec results are	

Medical Examinor/Coroner Yes, results are Evalution?: available

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Homicide (includes

Manner of Death: Justifiable

Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:				
Medical Cause of Death:				
Multiple Gunshot wounds				
Had the decedent been recafter admission to your jail's	eiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death jurisdiction?			
Medical Treatment:	Not Applicable			
If death was an accident, ho	omicide or suicide, who caused the death?			
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Who caused the death?: e	enforcement/correctional personnel			
If a weapon caused the dea all that apply)	th, what type of weapon caused the death? (Hold CTRL to select			
Type of weapon that caused	Firearm			
death?:	unspecified			
Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?				
	Not Applicable;			
Pre existing medical condition?:	cause of death was accidental injury,			
	intoxication, suicide or homicide			
If death was an accident, ho	omicide or suicide, what was the means of death?			

Location / Custody Information

Means of Death: Firearm

Where did the event causir	ng the death occur?			
Street Address:	4900 blk of Edge Creek Dr	City:	Austin	
County:	Travis	Zip:	78744	
What location category bes	st describes where the event causing th	e dea	th 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:			
N/A				
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:				
Entry Date Time N/A.	:			
Where did the death occur	2			
where did the death occur	:			
Death Location:	Scene of incident			
General Information				
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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?
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Offense 1:
Aggravated Assault
Offense 2:
Evading in a Motor Vehicle
Offense 3:
UUMV
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)
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Type of Offense: 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 Yes, mark all that
weapons: apply
Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Discharged firearm
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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

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Appear intoxicated (alcohol or

Make suicidal statements?: Yes drugs): Yes

Exhibit any mental health Exhibit any medical problems?: No Yes

problems?:

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

Barricade self or initiate Resist being handcuffed or Yes

standoff?: arrested?:

Physically attempt/assault Gain possession of officer's

officer(s): weapon:

Verbally threaten other(s) Escape or attempt to Yes Nο including law: escape/flee custody:

Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:

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 2/19/2018, at approximately 5:30pm, the Austin Police Department responded to a 911 call reporting a disturbance in progress at 4812 Nuckols Crossing Road. The female 911 caller reported the roommate of one of her friends, followed that friend to this location in a taxi cab. The caller reported that the occupant of the cab may have been on drugs and may have been carrying a gun. When the initial responding officer arrived on scene, he tried to detain both the driver and other occupant of the cab. The officer was able to detain the driver, but the other occupant re-entered the taxi cab and drove off. Because the officer was alone, and already had the driver detained, he did not give chase to the fleeing cab. Later, other officers located the same cab, attended by a male driver, driving in the area of William Cannon Drive and Interstate Highway 35. Officers attempted to stop the cab, but the driver of the cab began evading. Officers gave chase and a vehicular pursuit ensued. After several minutes, the cab came to a stop at a closed exit gate in a neighborhood located in the 4900 block of Edge Creek Drive. Pursuing and responding officers surrounded the vehicle. The male occupant was observed holding a handgun to his head as officers took up positions surrounding him. Based upon the situation, officers considered the armed occupant of the cab a barricaded subject. Officers took up cover positions and began trying to negotiate the surrender of the occupant of the cab. Having deemed the situation a barricaded subject, officers also requested response by the APD SWAT Team. While waiting on that response, officers continued to negotiate the surrender of the occupant by utilizing the public address system of a patrol vehicle. During the attempted negotiation, the occupant of the cab began displaying his firearm in a manner that was deemed a deadly threat by several individual officers on the scene. Various individual officers, at various points in time, responded to their individually perceived threats by the suspect, with gunfire. The volleys of gunfire, by officers who fired their weapons, were fired

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from a combination of handguns and rifles. The occupant of the cab, having been struck by gunfire, succumbed to his injuries on the scene. He was later pronounced deceased.				