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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	18-1324-MJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	12/24/2018 9:00 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Dallas/FW Airport DPS	Agency Address:	PO 619428
Agency City:	Dallas/Ft. Worth Airport	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75261		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Charles
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Cinquemani		
Reporter Name:	Andrea Brandt	Reporter Email:	abrandt@dfwairport.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Waweru

Middle Name:

Last Name: Mwaura

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 2/12/1975 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 43

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 11/30/2018 11:45 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 11/30/2018 4:37 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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Hanging

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

Medical Treatment: No

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

Who caused the death?: Decedent

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?: Not Applicable

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: Hanging, strangulation

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	2900 East 28th Street	City:	DFW Airport
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75261

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

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody:	Municipal Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Jail - multiple occupancy cell

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:	11/30/2018 11:45 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Dead on arrival at 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:

DWI Felony Repetition warrant-No bond

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: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Tarrant County Warrant DWI-no bond

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: No

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:

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): No

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?:	No	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?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	No	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	No
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 11/30/2018 at approximately 0820 hours DFW Airport Police Communications was notified by Customs Border Patrol of a wanted person, Waweru Mwaura (B/M, 02-12-75) traveling to Kenya departing out of Terminal E. Mwaura had a Felony DWI repetition warrant (no bond) out of Tarrant Co. At approximately 1042 hours officers were dispatched to the Terminal E United Airlines ticket counter and located Mwaura. He was arrested on that warrant and brought back to the station 1 jail without incident.

At approximately 1145 hours Mwaura was booked in to the jail by Sgt. Christine Carriker and Civilian Detention Officer Paula Carson. Sgt. Carriker asked him the standard questions including if he was suicidal or attempted suicide in the past. He replied no to both questions. There were no indications of suicidal behavior observed by jail staff. Review of jail phone audio revealed 3 phone calls made to his ex-mother in law Patricia Chung and ex-girlfriend, Joanne Young's number.

At approximately 1451 hours CDO Carson enters the jail to check on Mwaura and he is fine.

At approximately 1534 hours Mwaura made his last phone call. In that call he stated he was not ok and would be in jail for a long time.

At approximately 1554 hours CDO Carson enters the jail and finds Mwaura hanging by his jeans and unconscious. Carson notifies jail staff. Staff enter and get the jeans off of Mwaura and start CPR. A call was made for EMS. The AED was used and "no shock" was advised so CPR continued until fire personnel and paramedics arrived on scene. Mwaura was transported to Baylor Grapevine Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Texas Ranger Upshaw #8571 arrived on scene to conduct his investigation.

On 12-01-18 an autopsy was conducted by Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Officer. The cause of death was ruled hanging and the manner of death was ruled suicide. The final report is available.

On the morning of 12-06-18 I received a call from Patricia Chung who identified herself as Mwaura's ex-mother in law. She explained he was married to her daughter for 10 years and they divorced 5 years ago. She said he was an alcoholic and that is what caused his divorce. Chung explained Mwaura had no other family in the United States so she was there for him. She said he called her mom. She explained he stayed at her house on Thursday night (11-29-18). While there he told her he broke up with his ex-girlfriend Joanne Young on the previous Monday. She said he was going back to Kenya to get a fresh start, sell some property there, and get away from his warrants. I asked her if he had been suicidal in the past and she said yes after his divorce. He moved to California and called to tell her he was going to jump off the Golden Gate Bridge. He had also suffered the loss of both of his parents at a young age while in Kenya. I asked about his medical and mental health history. She said she had no knowledge of major medical issues or mental health issues. She was unaware of any medication or prescription drugs.