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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

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Report Date:	10/9/2018 1:41 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Austin Police Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 689001
Agency City:	Austin	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78768		

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

First Name: Hugo

Middle Name: Rene

Last Name: Alvarez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 7/2/1989 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 28

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 3/25/2018 10:49 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 3/26/2018 2:10 AM

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 wound of head and neck

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?: 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?: Rifle/shotgun

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:	5502 Ponciana Dr #A	City:	Austin
County:	Travis	Zip:	78744

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

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: ☑

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Scene of incident

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	
	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:	Discharged firearm

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:	Injured 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):	Unknown	Make suicidal statements?:	No
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?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	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 March 25, 2018, at 10:49 pm, Austin Police Officers were dispatched to a Nature Unknown Urgent call at 5502 Ponciana Drive, side A. The call text stated the complainant was requesting police to this address. Updates to the call text stated that no disturbance was heard, and the complainant sounded calm. The call text listed the caller as a male subject.

Uniformed officers responded to the scene yet failed to receive an answer at the door. The residence was reported as being dark inside, with no movement seen. Attempts were made to contact the complainant with negative results. With no further updates provided, and as officers began to leave the scene, a single gunshot was heard. One of the officers sustained injuries from gunshot wound. Another officer sustained a bone fracture while attempting to seek cover from the gunfire.

Officers fled the immediate area in front of the residence in order to obtain cover as additional gunshots were heard coming from the front of 5502 Ponicana Drive #A. One officer returned gunfire during the initial incident.

The Austin Police Department's SWAT team was then summoned to work the continuing incident as a barricaded subject call. When the SWAT team arrived on scene, officers continued to hear gunfire from within

the residence. At approximately 1:56am, the front door of the residence was breached with a mobile police robot. At approximately 2:00am, an elderly female exited the home while being followed closely from behind by an adult male, later identified as the decedent, Hugo Alvarez H/M DOB 07/02/1989. A SWAT officer who was in a sniper position engaged Alvarez with gunfire. Alvarez was pronounced deceased at the scene at 2:10 am.