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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	20-1389-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	10/12/2021 10:09 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Hidalgo County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 1228
Agency City:	Edinburg	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78540		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Jose
Director Middle Name:	E		
Director Last Name:	Guerra		
Reporter Name:	Tony Garza	Reporter Email:	tony.garza@hidalgoso.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Anthony

Middle Name: Lee

Last Name: Villarreal

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 9/7/1995 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 25

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 10/6/2020 6:09 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/10/2020 11:10 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: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Combined effects of probable benzodiazepine and ethanol withdrawal and a cardiomyopathy with coronary atherosclerosis.

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?:	Not applicable

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?:	Could not be determined

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death:	Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	1102 Trenton Rd. W	City:	Edinburg
County:	Hidalgo	Zip:	78539

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Hospital

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

Type of Custody: County 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: 10/6/2020 6:09 PM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: 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:

Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

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: 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:	Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint:	Other device, specify
Other device, specify:	restraint chair was used to keep inmate from hurting himself

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

Inmate Anthony Lee Villarreal was arrested on October 06, 2010 at approximately 5:07 pm, on a Hidalgo County's 389th District Court warrant for Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and was booked into the Hidalgo County Jail.

On 10-10-2020 at approximately 1:25 am, inmate was removed from housing cell block and transferred to jail infirmary. Medical log noted that inmate had a seizure for about 2 to 3 minutes. Inmate had soiled from both bowel and bladder. Inmate was agitated and aggressive and disoriented. Inmate was placed in a restraint chair to avoid self-harm or injury. At 1:38 am inmate had another seizure and was removed from restrain chair. EMS personnel was called to jail for transport to medical facility. At 2:12 am, inmate was transported to

Edinburg Regional Hospital by ambulance. At approximately 3:20 am hospital personnel called jail to inform that inmate had arrived at emergency room in cardiac arrest and was placed on life support in the Intensive Care Unit. At 7:40 am, inmate passed away.

Sheriff's Office Investigators responded to the Hospital along with Texas Rangers to investigate the inmate's death. Hidalgo County Pct. 5 Justice of the Peace Jason Pena pronounced the inmate dead at 11:10 am and ordered an autopsy.

Autopsy results indicate Natural Death.