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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	21-201-UF	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	4/22/2021 12:03 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	El Paso Police Dept.	Agency Address:	911 N. Raynor
Agency City:	El Paso	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79903		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief Deputy	Director First Name:	David
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Camacho		
Reporter Name:	REX PARSONS	Reporter Email:	2581@elpasotexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: ADAM

Middle Name: BRUCE

Last Name: CONNORS

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/2/1988 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 32

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 2/14/2021 6:13 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/14/2021 6:57 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: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

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GUNSHOT WOUND OF TORSO

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

Medical Treatment: Not Applicable

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:	3444 SUNSET ROSE	City:	EL PASO
County:	El Paso	Zip:	79936

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: 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:

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH DEADLY WEAPON

Offense 2:

EVADING ARREST DETENTION WITH MOTOR VEHICLE

Offense 3:

THEFT OF FIREARM

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:	Displayed firearm without discharge

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)
	Attempted to injure

Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	civilian(s) or other inmate(s)

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?:	Yes
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Unknown	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:	Yes	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	Yes
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:

2-14-2021, approximately 1734hrs, El Paso Police Officers from Pebble Hills Regional Command were dispatched to an aggravated family disturbance in progress at 3444 Sunset Rose. Officers met with the reporter, Abel Lara, who advised that Adam Connors (decedent) had arrived at his home and pointed a shotgun at him. Lara explained that he lived in the residence with his wife and children, along with the decedent’s estranged wife Melissa Herrera and their children. Connors was suicidal and reportedly looking for Melissa Herrera and the children. Connors left the scene prior to officers’ arrival. At 1739hrs, dispatch received a call of a suicidal subject, reference Connors. At 1802hrs, officers located Connors and attempted to conduct a traffic stop. Connors evaded in his vehicle, at which time a pursuit was initiated. Supervisors terminated the pursuit at 1811hrs. Officers returned to 3444 Sunset Rose, believing that the subject may return. Upon arrival at 3444 Sunset Rose, officers observed Connors’ vehicle in the street. Connor was seen

approaching the residence with a shotgun in his hands. Office I. Lujan #3060 fired a single shot with his patrol rifle, striking Connors. Officers provided aid for Connors and summoned FMS. Connors was transported to Del Sol where he was pronounced dead. CAP, CSU, Internal Affairs, and the Texas Rangers arrived to conduct the investigation. Upon conducting interviews with the involved parties, investigators learned of previous suicide attempts by Connors. Detectives obtained text messages sent from Connors, in which he described being suicidal, and sent pictures of the shotgun and shells to Herrera. The investigation continues.