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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	22-295-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	3/14/2022 8:32 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Odessa Police Dept.	Agency Address:	205 N. Grant
Agency City:	Odessa	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79761		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Mike
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Gerke		
Reporter Name:	Leonard Phillips	Reporter Email:	wphillips@odessa-tx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: John

Middle Name:

Last Name: Humphries

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 10/20/1976 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 45

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 2/17/2022 3:55 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/17/2022 3:55 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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Autopsy not completed at the time of report.

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?: Handgun

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:	1305 E. 8th	City:	Odessa
County:	Ector	Zip:	79761

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

Location Category:	Business

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:
Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing arrest

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:	2/17/2022 3:55 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?:	Yes

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 on Peace Officer (Felony 1)

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:

Domestic Dispute/Man with a gun

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:	Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel; Attempted to injure

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?:	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?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	Yes
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:	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:

On 02/17/2022 at approx. 1535hrs. Odessa Police Department Officer responded to a call involving a domestic dispute/man with a gun. Upon arrival, Officer Reed Jones located suspect in a vehicle behind the business where original disturbance occurred. The suspect fled in the vehicle and officer pursued suspect. The suspect(45 yr. old, w/m John Humphries) drove around to the front of the building and re-entered the business. The officer observed that the suspect was armed with a handgun and notified others by police radio. The suspect refused commands from the officer to surrender the weapon and began firing his weapon from inside the business. The officer returned fire with his handgun to protect the lives of the citizens and himself. The suspect sustained three bullet wounds. The officer provided on sight treatment to the suspect until the suspect was shortly thereafter transported by ambulance to Ector County Medical Center where he(suspect) was pronounced dead.

No Citizens or officers were injured in this incident.
The Ector County Grand Jury reviewed the case on 03/07/2022 and ruled the case to be Justifiable Homicide.
No charges were filed on the officer.