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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	23-1613-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	12/4/2023 10:23 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	San Antonio Police Dept.	Agency Address:	315 S. Santa Rosa
Agency City:	San Antonio	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78207		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	William
Director Middle Name:	P.		
Director Last Name:	McManus		
Reporter Name:	Russ Van Geffen	Reporter Email:	russ.vangeffen@sanantonio.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Steven

Middle Name: Allen

Last Name: Lopez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 1/7/1978 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

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: 11/27/2023 12:59 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 11/27/2023 1:16 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)

Homicide (includes

Manner of Death:	Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:
Gunshot wounds

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:	4452 W Commerce	City:	San Antonio
County:	Bexar	Zip:	78237

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

Location Category: Parking lot/garage

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:

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 - Police Officer

Offense 2:

Evading arrest / Detention

Offense 3:

Wanted on felony charges

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)
Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	Attempted to injure 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):	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):	Unknown	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 November 27th, 2023, at approximately one in the morning, two San Antonio police officers riding in the same marked patrol vehicle were traveling along West Commerce. The officers observed a vehicle and checked the license plate. Through computer research, officers discovered the vehicle was associated with an individual with several active warrants. Believing the fugitive may be in the vehicle, the officers initiated a traffic stop by activating their emergency equipment. The vehicle did not stop and the driver continued to drive

making several turns. The vehicle then came to a stop and the front passenger (the decedent) exited the vehicle and began to run. The officer in the passenger seat exited the patrol vehicle and pursued the decedent while the second officer drove ahead and entered a parking lot to intercept the decedent. The initial pursing officer gave numerous verbal commands to the decedent to stop, however the decedent continued to flee from the officer. As the officer closed the distance, the decedent drew a handgun and pointed it at the pursuing officer. The officer, in fear of imminent harm, drew his service weapon and discharged several rounds at the decedent. Additionally, the second officer, the original driver, had also caught up to the decedent and also observed the decedent's gun being pointed and feared for the life of the other officer. This second officer also engaged the suspect with several rounds from his service weapon. The decedent was struck multiple times and collapsed. Medical services were rendered to the decedent, however, SAFD EMS would ultimately pronounce the decedent deceased at the scene.