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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	23-1842-MJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	7/8/2024 1:23 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Pharr Police Dept.	Agency Address:	1900 S. Cage Blvd.
Agency City:	Pharr	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78577		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Juan
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Gonzalez		
Reporter Name:	Alma De La Cerda	Reporter Email:	alma.delacerda@pd.pharr-tx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Lizandro

Middle Name: Estevan

Last Name: Martinez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 7/12/1987 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 36

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/4/2023 10:31 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/4/2023 12:09 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: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Cause of Death: Acute cocaine and methamphetamine toxicity
Other Significant Condition: Cardiomegaly
Opinion on Manner: Accident

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Norma Jean Farley, M.D.

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?:	Decedent

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:	Other, specify
Means of Death Other:	Preliminary drug overdose pending final toxicology report.

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	1900 S. Cage Blvd	City:	Pharr
County:	Hidalgo	Zip:	78577

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

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

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

Type of Custody:	Municipal Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Jail - single 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:	12/4/2023 10:39 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Law enforcement facility/booking center

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:

Possession of Controlled Substance

Offense 2:

Evading Arrest

Offense 3:

Theft

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: Alcohol / drug offense

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:	No

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

Officers conducted a traffic stop on a white in color Honda Accord that was displaying Tx Lp's CNK7210 which came back stolen. As officers activated their emergency lights the white honda driven by the deceased evaded arrest and came to a complete stop by 1301 W.Interstate 2. Officers made contact with the driver and immediately detected an odor of narcotics (marijuana) in the vehicle. During the search of the vehicle Officers located a ripped clear plastic baggie with white powdery substance on the front passenger floorboard which tested positive for cocaine. As officers continued to search the vehicle Officers located another clear plastic baggie with crystal like substance in the glove compartment and one in the deceased front right pocket which tested positive for Methamphetamine. The driver-deceased was arrested on the following charges and booked in and placed in a holding cell. At 11:36 am hours the deceased appeared to be in a medical crisis and was found face down with blood underneath his head area alone in the cell. CPR was conducted and he was transported to the hospital by EMS where he was pronounced dead at 12:09 pm. Toxicology reports are pending.