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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-1327-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	9/10/2024 8:55 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Beaumont Police Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 3827
Agency City:	Beaumont	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	77704		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Timothy
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Ocnaschek		
Reporter Name:	James Sliger	Reporter Email:	james.sliger@beaumonttexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Manuel

Middle Name:

Last Name: Arteaga

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/26/1982 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 41

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 8/24/2024 10:28 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/24/2024 10:35 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: Pending autopsy results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Pending final autopsy results

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: 1840 Harriot St
City: Beaumont
County: Jefferson
Zip: 77705

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

yard adjacent to driveway of residence

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 w/ deadly weapon

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: 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: Used other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Used:

Chainsaw

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 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):	Yes	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:

On 08/24/24 at approximately 2028 hrs, officers arrived at 1840 Harriot St. Officers were dispatched to this location in reference to a male subject assaulting other individuals with tree limbs. Officers detained this

subject in the front yard of the residence. While securing this subject, a second individual, Arteaga, approached the officers and their detainee. Arteaga was carrying a chainsaw, that was operational and running. Arteaga accelerated the chainsaw and approached the officers and the detainee, in a threatening manner. Officers gave verbal commands to Arteaga to drop the chainsaw and pushed the detainee away. However, Arteaga pursued after the detainee, with clear motive to assault him with the chainsaw. Due to Arteaga's aggressive actions and failure to comply with verbal commands, officers were forced to intervene. Officers fired their weapons to stop Arteaga's threatening actions and to protect the detainee.