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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-1381-UF	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	9/20/2024 3:23 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Desoto Police Dept.	Agency Address:	714 E. Beltline Rd.
Agency City:	Desoto	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75115		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Joe
Director Middle Name:	W.		
Director Last Name:	Costa		
Reporter Name:	Ryan Jesionek	Reporter Email:	rjesionek@desototexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jesse

Middle Name:

Last Name: Martinez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/18/1990 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 34

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/1/2024 4:43 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/1/2024 4:43 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)

Manner of Death: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound of the head

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?: 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:	1251 Springbrook Dr.	City:	DeSoto
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75115

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

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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: 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:

PC 22.02 (b)(2)(B) - AGGRAVATED ASSAULT AGAINST A PUBLIC SERVANT - On View

Offense 2:

AGGRAVATED KIDNAPPING - Warrant (unknown to responding officers at the time of death)

Offense 3:

CONTINUOUS SEXUAL ABUSE OF A CHILD - Warrant (unknown to responding officers at the time of death)

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; Other, specify; Crimes Against Child(ren)

Type of Offense, Other:

Suspicious Activity call

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?: Unknown

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?:	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?:	Yes	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:

On Sunday, September 1st, at approximately 4:06 AM., a call comes in to DeSoto Dispatch regarding a group of people wandering in the 1100 block of Greenbriar Dr. and knocking on residents' doors asking for assistance. At approximately 4:14 AM, the involved Officer makes contact for the first time with the male suspect, who is accompanied by an adult female, a juvenile female, and a one year-old male child. What the Officer does not know at the time is that the suspect is actively wanted for both aggravated kidnapping and continuous sexual assault of a child. What the Officer does observe during this first contact is that the suspect is carrying a handgun in his pocket, and when he verbally confronts the suspect about the weapon, he and the group flee into the darkness of the creek bed behind the homes on the west side of the 1100 block of Greenbriar, and the suspect issues a threat to kill the officer if he sees him again. At this point, the involved officer begins to call in resources to help mediate what has become a very dangerous situation: DeSoto Officers begin to set up a perimeter to contain the group, and additional calls are made to both Dallas PD and Texas DPS for air support, but both agencies are unable to assist. Additionally, a call is placed to the Southern Regional Response Group, the regional special response team that DeSoto is a member of, and its

members begin to head to the area. In the meantime, Desoto officers are able to locate the suspect and the group behind a residence on the East side of the 1200 block of Springbrook Dr. Officers establish verbal contact and attempt to deescalate the situation, but ultimately, the suspect becomes agitated and moves the group from behind a residence into the street in the 1200 block of Springbrook, approaching the perimeter set up by DeSoto Officers. As the suspect approaches, now clearly displaying two handguns, Officers order him multiple times to stop and to show his hands. The suspect verbally refuses. At 4:43 AM, the involved Officer fires a single round from a patrol rifle, striking the suspect and ultimately resulting in his death. The involved Officer was placed on paid administrative leave, per Department policy, pending the investigation of the incident.