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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-1560-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	11/22/2024 8:23 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Corpus Christi Police Dept.	Agency Address:	PO Box 9277
Agency City:	Corpus Christi	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78469		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Mike
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Markle		
Reporter Name:	Weldon Weber	Reporter Email:	weldonw@corpuschristitx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Christopher

Middle Name: Allen

Last Name: Smith

Suffix: Jr.

Date of Birth: 4/15/1997 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 27

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 10/22/2024 11:10 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/23/2024 1:06 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:

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"...died as the result of 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:	Not Applicable

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; 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:	6805 S. Padre Island Drive	City:	Corpus Christi
County:	Nueces	Zip:	78412

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:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☑

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Dead on arrival at medical facility

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 on a Peace Officer

Offense 2:

Deadly Conduct Discharge Firearm - Agg. Assault

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; Crime Against Property

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):	Yes	Make suicidal statements?:	Unknown
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?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Unknown	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 10/22/2024 at approximately 2310hrs., several uniformed officers responded to a shots fired call at the Red Roof Inn, 6805 S. Padre Island Drive. Upon arrival, officers were directed to the area of the swimming

pool and determined that the fired shots had originated from within room 217. Officers set up a perimeter and evacuated surrounding and adjacent rooms, as additional resources were requested and arriving on scene. The decedent barricaded himself within room 217 and refused to talk with negotiators. Officers attempted to deploy surveillance equipment into the room, when the decedent who was armed with a handgun, engaged officers through a broken glass window. Several officers responded by discharging their duty weapons, striking the decedent several times, stopping his assault. The decedent was treated at the scene by Fire Department personnel and transported by medics to a local hospital where he later succumbed to his wounds. No other persons were injured.