

Memorandum



DATE: January 10, 2014

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Administrative (Police) Reports
I. A. D. Cases to be Presented to the Public Safety Committee on January 13, 2014

NEW CASE PRESENTATION:

Control #2013-435

Council District: 7
Involved Officers: (1) White Female
(1) White Male
(1) Hispanic Male
Suspect: (1) Black Male

On December 9, 2013, at approximately 2:15 p.m., the complainant called 9-1-1 and reported that multiple suspects had approached him in the 9500 block of Bruton Road at gunpoint and took his vehicle. The complainant stated as he ran from his vehicle the suspects fired at him twice. Based on information received from the complainant, Officer #1 made contact with the lien holder who informed him that based on the GPS tracking data, the vehicle showed to be in the 9500 block of Military Parkway. Covert officers responded to the area, located the vehicle and maintained surveillance of it. At approximately 3:10 p.m., the covert officers observed two suspects enter the vehicle and begin driving away. At this point, the covert officers radioed for uniformed officers to stop the vehicle. Officers #1 and #2, who were working in full police uniforms and driving marked police vehicles, were nearby and observed the carjacked vehicle driving southbound on St. Augustine Road from Military Parkway. Officer #3, who was one of the covert officers, repositioned to a location inside the St. Augustine Townhomes. Officer #2 activated her red lights in order to conduct a felony traffic stop. The vehicle, being driven by the suspects, increased in speed and turned right into the St. Augustine Townhomes and continued westbound through the complex. Officer #3, driving in the opposite direction, observed the suspect's vehicle being followed by Officer #2 driving toward him. The driver of the suspect's vehicle slowed down, opened the driver's side door, exited the vehicle, and began running. As the suspect ran, officers were giving loud verbal commands for the suspect to stop. Officer #3 pursued the suspect on foot. Officer #3 eventually stopped chasing the suspect and returned to the suspect's vehicle when he realized that Officer #2 had not followed him during the pursuit. After the suspect had jumped from the driver's side, the vehicle continued to move forward slowly. Officer #2 approached the vehicle in an attempt to stop its progression, unaware that a second suspect was seated in the front passenger's seat. Officer #2, perceiving the second suspect to be an imminent threat, drew her weapon and discharged it once, striking the second suspect. An independent civilian witness observed the shooting and was transported to the Crimes Against Persons Division where he provided a statement. No officers were injured during this incident.

STATUS: Complete

FINDING: At the conclusion of the Internal Affairs investigation, Officer #2 was "Sustained" on for violating departmental policies and procedures. As a result of her actions, Officer #2 was terminated from the Department.

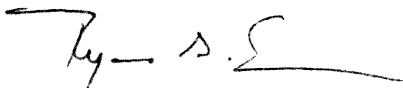
Control #2014-001

Council District: 14
Involved Officers: (3) White Males
(1) Hispanic Male
Suspect: (1) White Male

On January 2, 2014, at approximately 1:39 a.m., Officers #1 and #2, in full police uniform and driving a marked police vehicle, responded to a Burglary in Progress at 2728 McKinnon Street. The suspect, who resided in Apartment #1901, approached the witness, who is an employee at the location, and stated that his apartment was being burglarized. The witness called 9-1-1 and requested police assistance. The suspect then moved to an adjacent hallway and began barricading himself. Officers #1 and #2, who were the first officers on the scene, entered the lobby and spoke with the witness. The witness informed the officers that the suspect was armed and directed them to the suspect's location. According to the witness, as Officers #1 and #2 attempted to speak with the suspect, the suspect shot at the officers. Officers #1 and #2 retreated, took cover, and called for cover over the radio for assistance with an active shooter. Officers #1 and #2 continued to speak with the suspect in an attempt to deescalate the situation. The suspect then moved from the position where he was barricaded toward the officers. By this time Officers #3 and #4, who were also in full police uniform, had arrived at the location. When the suspect started toward the officers, Officers #1, #2, #3 and #4 fired several rounds from their duty weapons, striking the suspect. The suspect was pronounced deceased at the scene by Dallas Fire and Rescue. No officers were injured during this incident.

A female juvenile witness, who was also at the scene, is the daughter of the suspect. A weapon was recovered at the scene. A video recording from the building was obtained.

STATUS: Under Investigation



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