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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: PA16020C

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 1/27/2016 5:01 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: San Antonio Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 315 South Santa
Rosa

Agency City: San Antonio

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78207

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Anthony

Director Middle Name: L.

Director Last Name: Trevino, Jr.

Reporter Name: J. Espinoza #2528

Reporter Email: juan.espino@sanantonio.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Arvell

Middle Name:

Last Name: Howell

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 10/20/1975

Sex: Male

Race:

Age At Time Of Death: 40

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 1/8/2016 10:57 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 1/13/2016 11:57
AM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Yes, results
Evaluation?: pending

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Manner of Death: Alcohol/Drug
Intoxication

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Believed to be an overdose of heroin - pending autopsy report

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?: Deceased

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?: Don't know

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death: Drug overdose

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 1305 SW Loop 410

City: San Antonio

County: Bexar

Zip:

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

Location Category:

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

Type of Custody: Police Custody
(pre-booking)

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Custody of Peace Officer subsequent to 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: At medical facility

General Information

Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

Other Agencies Respond?:

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:

Poss CS PG1 1 < 4 grams

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:

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:

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Attempt to Injure Others?:

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?:

Exhibit any mental health problems?:

Exhibit any medical problems?:

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Barricade self or initiate

Resist being handcuffed or

standoff?:	arrested?: No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Gain possession of officer's weapon:
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint: Yes

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

The deceased was operating a motor vehicle on a public highway when he committed several moving traffic violation in front of the police officer (SAPD16005945). The deceased had four active warrants. The officer was searching the deceased and observed a small plastic ziplock baggie fall out of his pant leg. The baggie contained a brown substance which later tested positive for heroin. The officer placed handcuffs on the deceased and walked him back to his patrol vehicle. The officer checked on the deceased and observed the deceased to be sweating profusely. The officer asked the deceased several times if he was okay but he would not respond. The officer observed the deceased begin to convulse so he requested EMS to make his location. The officer removed the deceased from his patrol vehicle and laid the deceased on the ground. A EMS unit arrived and began to administer aid to the deceased. The deceased was then transported to a local hospital for further treatment. The deceased eventually passed away five days later at the hospital (SAPD16009677). The deceased was taken to the medical examiners's office to determine cause and manner of death.