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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: PA16132CJ

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 4/4/2016 12:43 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Potter County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 608 S. Pierce

Agency City: Amarillo

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 79101

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Brian

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Thomas

Reporter Name: Sgt Michael Dunn
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Reporter Email: michael.dunn@amarillo.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Domingo

Middle Name:

Last Name: Cortinez

Suffix: III

Date of Birth: 9/18/1970

Sex: Male

Race:

Age At Time Of Death: 45

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

Date/Time of Custody or 3/12/2016 10:55
Incident: PM

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

Death Date and Time: 4/3/2016 5:58 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: Natural
Causes/Illness

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Complications of MI and open heart surgery

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment: Yes

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?: Not applicable;
cause of death was
suicide, intoxication
or illness/natural
causes

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?: Pre-existing medical condition

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

Means of Death: Not applicable;
cause of death was
intoxication or
illness/natural
causes

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 1501 S Coulter

City: Amarillo

County: Potter

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: County Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Jail - multiple occupancy cell

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:

PV-Indecency with a child-Sexual Contact

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Probation/Parole

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): No

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 standoff?:	Resist being handcuffed or 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: No

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

Deceased was in-custody at the Potter County Jail from an arrest on 3/12/2016 for a Probation Violation warrant, original charge of Indecency with a Child-Sexual Contact. On 3/22/2016, deceased complained of chest pains and shortness of breath. He was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital. Deceased had significant triple vessel coronary artery disease 90-95% stenosis on the LAD and 70-80% on the RCA. Deceased also suffered chronic kidney disease stage IV, poorly controlled hypertension, Diabetes mellitus, COPD from smoking and a history of drug abuse. On 4/1/2016 a Cardiac By-pass times three was performed. On 4/2/2016 the deceased was returned to surgery due to un-controlled metabolic bleeding. Post surgery to ICU in Critical condition. Deceased conditioned worsened early in the morning on 4/3/2016. Dr. Bamgbelu pronounced Time of death at 0558 hours April 4, 2016. Justice of the Peace Gary Jackson ordered an autopsy to be performed by South Plains Medical Service, Lubbock Texas, the results are pending.