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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 17-43-C

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VERSION

Report Date: 2/9/2017 10:29 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Pecos County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 1774 N. Hwy 285

Agency City: Fort Stockton

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 79735

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Cliff

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Harris

Reporter Name: Thomas Perkins

Reporter Email: n/a

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Gerardo

Middle Name:

Last Name: Coronado

Suffix: Jr.

Date of Birth: 12/14/1991

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 25

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 1/28/2017 3:49 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 1/28/2017 3:49 PM

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: Homicide (includes
Justifiable
Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Multiple 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: 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: U.S. Hwy 385 S
Mile Marker 463

City: Ft. Stockton

County: Pecos

Zip: 78735

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: Police Custody
(pre-booking)

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: Scene of incident

General Information

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

Other Agencies Respond?: Yes

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:

Attempted Capital Murder

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: Violent Crime
Against Persons;
Alcohol / drug
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: 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

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?: Yes

Exhibit any mental health problems?: No

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?: No

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: No

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 January 28, 2017, at approximately 11:19 am, a GMC pickup bearing TX LP (redacted) occupied by Gerardo Coronado, driver, and Sergio Daniel Montalvo, passenger, entered the United States Border Patrol checkpoint located south on US Hwy 385 S, south of Marathon, Texas. Coronado and Montalvo were referred to secondary. At that time, Coronado and Montalvo fled from U.S.B.P. traveling north on US Hwy 385, towards Marathon, Texas.

Coronado and Montalvo continued to flee traveling through Marathon and continued north on US Hwy 385 towards Fort Stockton, Texas as they were being pursued by U.S.B.P. and Brewster County Sheriff's Office. As Coronado and Montalvo entered Pecos County, Pecos County Sheriff's Office joined the pursuit and deployed tire spikes in an attempt to end the pursuit.

Coronado and Montalvo continued to flee despite their vehicles tires being deflated. During the pursuit, a Pecos County Deputy was positioned in front of Coronado's vehicle. While the Deputy was traveling in front of

Coronado and Montalvo, Coronado shot through his own windshield at the Pecos County Deputy. Coronado and Montalvo stopped their vehicle on US Hwy 385 S. at mile marker 463. As Coronado exited the vehicle, Coronado had a handgun in hand and began waving the handgun around. It was at this time that Deputies shot Coronado. Coronado was then pronounced dead at 3:49 pm by Pecos County Justice of the Peace Ruben Salinas.

Texas Rangers were then dispatched to investigate this incident. At the time of this report, Texas Rangers are continuing the investigation.