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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 23-107-CJ

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 2/3/2023 5:15 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Ector County
Sheriff's Ofc.

Agency Address: 2500 S. Highway
385

Agency City: Odessa

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 79761

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Michael

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Griffis

Reporter Name: Randy
Dominguez

Reporter Email: randy.dominguez@ectorcountysheriff.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: victor

Middle Name: alfonso

Last Name: rubio

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 1/23/1985

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 38

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 10/22/2022 8:30 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/2/2023 4:27 PM

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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

suicide/hanging/strangulation

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

Medical Treatment: Unknown

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

Who caused the death?: Decedent

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?: 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: Hanging, strangulation

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 2500 S. US Hwy
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City: Odessa

County: Ector

Zip: 79763

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

Location Category: Law Enforcement
Facility

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 - single 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: 2/2/2023 4:27 PM

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:

DWI MB

Offense 2:

Fail to stop and render aid MB

Offense 3:

Ice Hold

Were the Charges:: Filed

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

subject was incarcerated for traffic offenses and a Ice Detainer.

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: No

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

Attempt to Injure Others?: No

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?: Unknown

Exhibit any mental health
problems?: Unknown

Exhibit any medical problems?: Unknown

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:	No
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 02-02-2023 Ector County Jail staff located a subject in a rack down cell who was hanging in the cell. The inmate was identified as Victor Alfonso Rubio DOB 01-23-1985, NM-162305981. Rubio was housed in a rack down cell which he occupied by himself. Jail staff was conducting their routinely daily rounds. While checking cell 7115 jail staff observed Rubio hanging in the cell and appeared to be deceased. Jail staff entered the cell and cut down Rubio and began to administering life saving measures. Jail staff was able to contact jail medical personnel who responded and took over CPR. Jail staff was able to call 911 and request an ambulance for assistance. Once the ambulance arrived they took over CPR for a short time and called the time of death. Jail staff notified the Texas Rangers to come and investigate the incident due to a in custody death. Ranger Cody Allen arrived and took over the scene.

At this time it was learned that the incident was caught on camera and a video was viewed of the incident. The video showed Rubio acted alone and showed the means he went through to commit suicide.

Next of Kin was notified of the death.

Rubio was being held in the ECLEC on a DWI MB, Fail to stop and render aid, and a Ice Hold. Rubio was booked into ECLEC on 10-22-2022 at 8:30 PM.