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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 24-701-CJ

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 5/16/2024 4:46 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Tarrant County
Sheriff's Office

Agency Address: 200 Taylor St.,
Plaza Bldg. 7th
Floor

Agency City: Fort Worth

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 76196

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Bill

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Waybourn

Reporter Name: Richard Harwell

Reporter Email: rbharwell@tarrantcountytx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Anthony

Middle Name:

Last Name: Johnson

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 10/20/1992

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 31

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 4/21/2024 8:50 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 4/21/2024 9:39 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 are
available

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

Manner of Death: Homicide (includes
Justifiable

Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

asphyxia (mechanical and chemical)

Significant contributing conditions Methamphetamine use

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?: Unknown whether
decedent sustained
a fatal injury

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?: Other Weapon,
specify:

Other weapon, specify:

HANDS/FEET OC SPRAY

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?: Could not be
determined

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

Means of Death: Other, specify

asphyxia
(mechanical and

chemical)
Means of Death Other: Significant
contributing
conditions
Methamphetamine
use

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 100 N Lamar

City: Fort Worth

County: Tarrant

Zip: 76102

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 - 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: 4/20/2024 4:41 PM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Medical facility

General Information

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

Other Agencies Respond?: No

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:

TAMPER/FABRICATE PHYS EVID W/INTENT TO IMPAIR (37.09(c)) - F3

Offense 2:

EVADING ARREST DETENTION (38.04(b)) - MA

Offense 3:

POSS CS PG 1 >=4G<200G (481.115(d)) - F2

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: 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: No

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: Injured 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):	Unknown	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?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Yes	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: Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint: Handcuffs

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

first notification of the in-custody death of Tarrant County Inmate JOHNSON, ANTHONY, black male, DOB: 10/20/1992 CID # 0768939, who had been housed at the Tarrant County Jail at 100 N Lamar St, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas 76196. Inmate Johnson had been in TCSO custody since 04/20/2024 on three (3) charges, Tamper/Fabricate Physical Evidence, Evading Arrest or Detention, and Possession C/S PG1 =4G<200G. Inmate Johnson died on Sunday, April 21, 2024 at approximately 0957 hours at John Peter Smith Hospital, 1500 S. Main, Tarrant County, Texas 76102. Inmate Johnson had refused to leave his cell for a cell search and began to fight and kick detention officers. He was sprayed with OC gas and became unresponsive on his way to be decontaminated. He was transported via ambulance to the hospital and pronounced by the doctor.

The Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office was notified and took possession of Inmate Johnson. The Texas Rangers are leading the investigation. Ranger Dendy Samuel.Dendy@dps.texas.gov has been assigned the death investigation (TCSO report 2024-05248). Further documentation and reports will follow the investigation as they become available.

TCME ruled death Homicide due to asphyxia (mechanical and chemical)

Significant contributing conditions Methamphetamine use