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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 24-1301-CJ

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 9/3/2024 8:52 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Midland County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 400 S. Main Street

Agency City: Midland

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 79701

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: David

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Criner

Reporter Name: Adam Hilliard

Reporter Email: ahilliard@mcounty.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Enrique

Middle Name:

Last Name: Hernandez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 2/8/2002

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 22

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 8/27/2024 8:45 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/29/2024 9:30 AM

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: Could not be
determined

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Blunt Force Head Injuries-----The decedent was seen on video trying to do back flips and hitting his head. He also appears to be hitting his head against the door. These multiple self-inflicted hits to his head resulted in his head trauma and with resultant death. It is difficult to know whether the manner of death would be suicide or accident, therefore the manner of death is best left undetermined.

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?: 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: Unknown

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 400 S. Main St.

City: Midland

County: Midland

Zip: 79701

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: 5/25/2024 5:33 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?: 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:

Assault Public Servant

Offense 2:

Harassment of Public Servant

Offense 3:

Assault Causes Bodily Injury

Were the Charges:: Filed

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

Type of Offense: Violent Crime
Against Persons

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?: Yes

Exhibit any mental health
problems?: Yes

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):	Yes	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:

Enrique Hernandez was on suicide watch and placed in a violent cell. During his time in the violent cell, he attempted to do what appears to be a back flip landing on the side of his head. (Seen on camera at a later time) Hernandez was cleared out of the violent cell and was being moved back to his previous housing while remaining on suicide watches. It was discovered that he was unresponsive to stimuli at this time. EMS was called and Hernandez was transported to Midland Memorial. While at Midland Memorial Hospital, it was discovered that Mr. Hernandez had an inoperable brain hemorrhage. He was flown to Lubbock Hospital via helicopter where he passed away 2 days later.