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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 18-790-UF

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 8/23/2018 4:20 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Midland Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 601 N. Loraine

Agency City: Midland

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 79701

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Carl

Director Middle Name: P

Director Last Name: Robinson

Reporter Name: Jerad Fain

Reporter Email: jfain@midlandtexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Oscar

Middle Name: Omar

Last Name: Gurrola

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 10/23/1976

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 41

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

Date/Time of Custody or 8/16/2018 11:00
Incident: AM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/16/2018 11:00
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 are
Evaluation?: 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:

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: Not Applicable

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: 9500 South County
Road 1030

City: Stanton

County: Midland

Zip: 79782

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

Location Category: Field/woods/lake/waterway/beach

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody: Pre-Custodial Use
of Force

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

N/A

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?: 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:

Murder

Offense 2:

Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon on a Peace Officer

Offense 3:

Felon in Possession of a Firearm

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: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Displayed firearm
without discharge

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

Yes (select all that

Attempt to Injure Others?: 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?:	No
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?:	Yes
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:	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 August 16, 2018, at approximately 0015 hours, the Midland Police Department began investigating the murder of a 36 year old woman. A suspect was quickly developed and identified as Oscar Omar Gurrola (H/M DOB: 10/23/76). At approximately 0800 hours, the detective working the case obtained an arrest warrant for Mr. Gurrola and began searching for him. Later that morning, detectives found out that Mr. Gurrola was currently working on a ranch located at 9500 South County Road 1030, Stanton, Midland County, Texas. Detectives obtained directions to the ranch and permission to enter the property from the landowner. Since

the suspect had a warrant for Murder and was suspected to be armed, the Midland Police Department SWAT Team was deployed to apprehend him. The team arrived to the property at approximately 1057 hours and noticed Mr. Gurrola operating a backhoe in an open field. The team was comprised of two four-man elements riding in two separate vehicles. They approached Mr. Gurrola and parked approximately 30 yards away from the backhoe, and even with each other, with approximately 10 yards in between their vehicles. As the team exited their vehicles, Mr. Gurrola exited the backhoe. He looked at the officers who identified themselves and gave him verbal commands to get on the ground. Mr. Gurrola then reached back into the backhoe and pulled out a handgun. At that point, five of the team members fired the AR-15 rifles they were carrying, striking Mr. Gurrola, causing him to fall to the ground. At that point, the team approached Mr. Gurrola, secured the handgun he pull out, handcuffed him, and began medical treatment. EMS was called and pronounced him deceased upon arrival.