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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 20-146-C

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 8/27/2020 11:33
AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Kirby Police Dept.

Agency Address: 4130 Ackerman Rd.

Agency City: Kirby

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78219

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Kevin

Director Middle Name: M

Director Last Name: Bois

Reporter Name: Kevin Bois

Reporter Email: kbois@cityofkirby.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Amanda

Middle Name: Lynn

Last Name: Watkins

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 8/31/1983

Sex: Female

Race: Other

Age At Time Of Death: 36

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 2/20/2020 8:37 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/20/2020 11:54
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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

It is the opinion of the Medical Examiner's Office that "Amanda Lynn Watkins, a 26 year old female, died as a result of asphyxia by hanging".

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: Hanging, strangulation

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 4130 Ackerman
Road

City: Kirby

County: Bexar

Zip: 78219

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: Police Custody
(pre-booking)

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Jail - holding 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: 2/20/2020 10:27
AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Law enforcement
facility/booking
center

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:

Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon - Family Violence

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;
Crime Against
Property

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 other weapon, specify;;
Used other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Displayed:

Axe

Specify Weapon Used:

Axe

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 civilian(s) or other inmate(s); Attempted to injure civilian(s) or other inmate(s)

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?: Yes

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: Unknown

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:

Decedent was in custody after she used an axe to attack her domestic partner. Decedent was treated on scene by EMS for an injury she received during the fight. Decedent was transported to a hospital by EMS for evaluation. Decedent received treatment at the hospital and was taken into custody by an officer. Decedent was transported to the police department and placed in a holding cell while officers completed paperwork prior to transporting to the Magistrate's Office. Female officer conducted a prisoner check and found Decedent unresponsive with her pants tied around her neck. Decedent was removed from the cell by officers who began CPR. EMS arrived and took over resuscitation efforts. Efforts failed. Decedent was declared dead at 11:54 am. Decedent affixed one leg of her pants to her neck and the other pant leg to an ADA compliant grab bar mounted to the wall next to the commode. Texas Rangers and Bexar County Medical Examiner's Officer were summoned to conduct an investigation. We received an opinion from the Medical Examiner's Office which indicates "Amanda Lynn Watkins, a 26 year old female, died as a result of asphyxia by hanging". While not listed in the autopsy report the manner of death was confirmed by telephone with Jennifer J. Rulon M.D., Deputy Medical Examiner, to be suicide.