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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

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Report Date: 5/10/2021 3:08 PM

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Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Texas Department
Of Public Safety

Agency Address: PO BOX 4087

Agency City: Austin

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78773

Director Information

Director Salutation: Director

Director First Name: Steven

Director Middle Name: C

Director Last Name: McCraw

Reporter Name: Joanne
Scarborough

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Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Brittany

Middle Name: Shantell

Last Name: Teichroeb

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 4/15/1994

Sex: Female

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 26

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 6/29/2020 8:30 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 6/29/2020 11:29
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:

Gunshot wound of the back

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?: 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?: 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: SH-1919 MP 276

City: Midland

County: Midland

Zip: 79707

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

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing arrest

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: 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:

Attempted Murder

Offense 2:

Evading Arrest/Detention

Offense 3:

Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle

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: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Fugitive from Justice

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?: 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?: 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: 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:

On June 29, 2020, Trooper Ryan Finnie was assisting officers with the DPS Criminal Investigations Division and US Marshals Service apprehend fugitives from justice in Ector County, Texas. The fugitives, Christopher Chad Price and Brittany Shantell Teichroeb, were wanted for numerous offenses and Price was known to be armed. Trooper Finnie attempted to stop a black Ford Focus driven by Teichroeb and occupied by Price. Teichroeb failed to stop and a pursuit ensued.

Shortly after the pursuit started, officers observed Price leaning out the passenger window with a shotgun, firing multiple rounds in the direction of the officers. The pursuit continued for a short distance in Ector County on SH-191 before Trooper Finnie fired two rounds from his rifle through the windshield. Teichroeb continued evading on SH-191 when the car spun in a grass barrow ditch onto the north service road of SH-191 in Midland County. Once the vehicle stopped, Price and Teichroeb exited and fled on foot. Trooper Finnie fired

three more rounds at Price who was holding the shotgun. Officers with the Midland County Sheriff's Office also fired at Price as he was running next to Teichroeb.

Price and Teichroeb were both hit with gunfire and transported to the Midland Memorial Hospital with injuries. Teichroeb was taken into surgery and later pronounced deceased at 11:29 PM by Dr. Marshall Early. Price survived his injuries and is currently in critical condition.