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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 20-1936-C

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Report Date: 8/9/2021 7:43 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Houston Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 1200 Travis, 16th
Floor

Agency City: Houston

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77002

Director Information

Director Salutation: Lieutenant

Director First Name: Melissa

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Countryman

Reporter Name: Kimberly Fowler

Reporter Email: kimberly.fowler@houstonpolice.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Patrick

Middle Name: Thomas

Last Name: Kissinger

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/17/1963

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 57

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/6/2020 12:06
AM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/6/2020 1:29 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: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Toxic effects of methamphetamine, heroin and ethanol

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment: Unknown

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?: 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: 1225 W. 15th 1/2
Street

City: Houston

County: Harris

Zip: 77006

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

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:

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?: No

What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death?

Criminal History

Offense 1:

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: 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:

Specify Weapon Displayed:

Metal Pipe

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): Yes

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?: Yes

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): 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: 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:

Patrol Officers were dispatched to a "Criminal Mischief in Progress" at 1225 W. 15th 1/2 street where multiple callers and witnesses described a man who appeared to be intoxicated was walking through their yards and banging on garage doors with a metal pipe at approximately 0006 hours. 911 callers and witnesses described they heard Mr. Kissinger yelling to "call police" multiple times. When officers arrived at approximately 0011 hours and approached the man he was observed sitting on the steps of a residence with the metal pipe lying on the ground within arms length of him. Officers were able to distract the man, take the metal pipe and secure it. After giving verbal commands, the man approached officers in an aggressive manner. During this moment the man walked and fell into a steep drainage ditch. Officers on scene had to use force to

subsequently place the man into police custody. At this time HFD was immediately notified at approximately 0018 hours to respond to the scene as the man was observed to have several cuts to this arms and head. Even while in police custody the man wasn't cooperating with officers and was resisting to enter the patrol vehicle. Officers on scene described the man as being abnormally strong. Officers then sat the man on the ground and a short time later HFD arrived at approximately 0026 hours. While on scene HFD started doing CPR on him, and transported him to Memorial Hermann Greater Heights Hospital where he later died.

The man later became known to officers as (Patrick Kissinger DOB:03/17/1963, TX ID 09444078, SSN: 465-33-2273). Officers on scene recognized the man due to another criminal mischief call nearby on 12/04/2020 where Patrick Kissinger was taken into custody (HPD Case#1614281-20). During this particular incident officers filed an EDO and filed a criminal mischief to be warrant on Mr. Kissinger.