

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 15, 2017

TO Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee:  
Adam Medrano (Chair), B. Adam McGough (Vice Chair), Sandy Greyson, Tiffinni A. Young,  
Jennifer S. Gates, Philip T. Kingston

SUBJECT **Administrative (Police) Reports**

## **NEW CASE PRESENTATION:**

**Control #2017-085**

**Council District: 7**  
**Involved Officers: (1) White Male**  
**Suspect: (1) Black Male**

On April 7, 2017, at approximately 2:00 a.m., the suspect stole a Dallas Police Department Bait vehicle. Officers were notified of the vehicle's activation. After the vehicle was located, officers attempted to perform a felony traffic stop. The suspect fled the location and during the course of the pursuit, the suspect collided with a Police Crimes Scene Response Unit vehicle that was working an unrelated crime scene. The pursuit of the stolen vehicle continued through the Deep Ellum area before being called off. Shortly after calling off the pursuit, an element from the K9 Unit located the suspect and requested Code 3 cover. The suspect drove the stolen vehicle toward Fair Park and crashed through the iron fence of the Pennsylvania Avenue gate. Officers followed the suspect onto Fair Park grounds. The suspect was driving in circles as officers attempted to get into a position to execute a felony traffic stop.

Officers #1 and #2, who were in full police uniforms and driving a marked police vehicle, stopped their vehicle and were attempting to exit it. The suspect made a sudden U-turn and collided with the driver's side of the officers' vehicle. The door to the police vehicle was pushed into the door frame. Officer #1 fired one round, striking the suspect in the head. The suspect was transported to Baylor Hospital and was expected to survive. Officer #1 suffered a cut to his hand when he broke the window on the Bait car to remove the suspect and render aid. No other officers were injured as a result of this incident.

**STATUS:** Under Investigation

**Control #2017-086**

**Council District:** 2  
**Involved Officers:** (1) White Male  
**Suspect:** (1) Black Male

On May 1, 2017, at approximately 11:30 a.m., a witness called 9-1-1 believing her child's father had shot himself inside the residence of 3215 Reynolds Avenue. The witness was frightened and did not want to go back inside the residence. The situation began to change and the witness described her neighbor (the complainant) getting shot in the front yard. Moments later, the complainant's brother called 9-1-1 at which time a Disturbance Active Shooter call was dispatched. The complainant's brother stated his brother had been shot and the suspect was shooting at different houses.

Dallas Fire-Rescue 19 quickly arrived at the scene. When Firefighters #1 and #2 arrived at the location, they observed the complainant lying on the ground. Firefighter #1 exited the ambulance to render aid to the complainant as Firefighter #2 exited the driver's side with his equipment. Firefighter #1 met Firefighter #2 at the rear of the ambulance and told him they had to get out of there because a man with a rifle was walking toward them. Both firefighters were unable to get back inside the ambulance because the suspect was aiming the rifle at them and shooting in their direction. The firefighters then decided to run for safety. Before the firefighters attempted their escape, they observed the suspect shoot the complainant again. Firefighter #2 was able to escape but Firefighter #1 was shot as he ran. Firefighter #1 fell on the grass adjacent to the roadway.

Shortly after Firefighter #1 was shot, Officers #1 and #2 arrived from the east and observed the suspect standing next to the ambulance. As Officers #1 and #2 approached, the suspect fired at them and began to walk across the street. At some point while being shot at by the suspect, Officer #1 received a minor wound to his right calf probably from shrapnel. Officers #1 and #2 approached and made contact with the complainant who was still lying on the ground. Officers #3 and #4 arrived at the location from the West, exited their vehicle, and approached the ambulance. The suspect, who was between two houses across from the ambulance, pointed his rifle in the direction of the officers. At this point, Officer #3 fired his duty issued shotgun in the direction of the suspect. The suspect fled and the officers began to aid the complainant and Firefighter #1 while also setting a perimeter. Additional officers arrived and also began aiding the complainant and Firefighter #1. Officers #5 and #6 carried the complainant to Dallas Fire-Rescue 32 which was posted outside the perimeter. A supervisor at the location loaded Firefighter #1 into his police vehicle and transported him to Baylor Hospital.

The suspect ran into an alley and doubled back into the residence at 3215 Reynolds Avenue. The Tactical Unit arrived and secured the area. Tactical officers were able to isolate the residence where the suspect was and made entry using a robot. Once entry was made by the robot, it was discovered that the suspect was deceased. Upon further investigation, a second deceased male was found inside the residence.

The medical examiner processed the suspect and discovered a defect in his upper right leg. The wound in the upper leg of the suspect is believed to have been caused by Officer #3. The suspect is believed to have died as a result of a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

All officers involved in this incident were in full police uniforms and driving marked police vehicles.

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