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Santa Barbara County Sheriff



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03/31/2021

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Administrative Information

Agency Santa Barbara County Sheriff	Report No 21-3520	Supplement No 0018	Reported Date 03/31/2021	Reported Time 08:40	Status Offense
Report Type Outside Agency Assist	Location N H ST/E WALNUT AV				
City Lompoc City	ZIP Code 93436	Rep Dist L155	Area 3	Beat LO	From Date 03/28/2021
From Time 20:04	Officer 3541/ESPARZA, R	Assignment CID DETECTIVES	Entered by 3541	Assignment CID DETECTIVES	
Confidential LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER INVOLVED	RMS Transfer Successful	Prop Trans Stat Successful	Approving Officer 3495		
Approval Date 05/04/2021	Approval Time 09:37:48				

Summary Narrative

This report will document review and booking of in-car video and 9-1-1 traffic.

Property

Item 1	Agency Santa Barbara County Sheriff	Report No 21-3520	Original Incident 21-3520	Original supplement 0018	Involvement Evidence
Invl Date 03/31/2021	In Custody? Yes	Security No	Tag No 09070148	Item No 1	Value \$0.00
Description (4) DVDs containing in-car video				# Pieces 4	
Article Miscellaneous items		Entered Date 03/31/2021	Entered Time 16:24	RMS Transfer Successful	Control 3503 0428210919
Item 2	Agency Santa Barbara County Sheriff	Report No 21-3520	Original Incident 21-3520	Original supplement 0018	Involvement Evidence
Invl Date 03/31/2021	In Custody? Yes	Security No	Tag No 09070148	Item No 2	Value \$0.00
Description CD containing 911 call and radio traffic				# Pieces 1	
Article Miscellaneous items		Entered Date 03/31/2021	Entered Time 16:25	RMS Transfer Successful	Control 3503 0428210919

Narrative

CONTINUATIONS:

None

EVIDENCE:

(4) DVDs containing in-car video footage from Sgt. Morgan, Officer Mendoza, Officer Calderon and Cpl. White were provided to me by Lompoc P.D. Sergeant Magallon. Sgt. Magallon also provided a CD that contained the 9-1-1 call and radio traffic. The DVD's and CD were booked into evidence.

Detective J. Vasquez collected 3 DVD's containing video footage from a city camera, Officer Justice, Officer Strong and Officer Carrillo's in-car video. Detective Vasquez booked the items under supplemental report #15, tag #09070116.

NARRATIVE:

On 4-26-21, I reviewed several in-car video footages from the mounted camera of several Lompoc Police Department vehicles that responded to the dispatched call that ended in the OIS (Officer Involved Shooting). Below is a summary of video footage I believe is pertinent to this investigation.

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File name: Julio Carrillo_202103282002_Unit0214_122494579.mp4
 Date modified: 03/30/2021 11:38 AM
 Type: MP4 Video file (VLC)
 Size: 435,842 KB
 Duration: 27:51

This video begins at 20:02:11, showing the vehicle parked in the Lompoc PD parking lot. Note: There is no audio throughout the video, until 20:17:12, which is after the OIS (Officer Involved Shooting)

At 20:05:40, the vehicle drives out of the parking lot and onto E Street, northbound. Vehicle drives up to Ocean Avenue and turned left, continued Eastbound and turned right onto G Street. It then turned left into the alley that led to the old Lompoc Theatre. Upon reaching the theatre, Officer Carrillo turned right into the alley. He turned the driver side spotlight on and illuminated a subject that was later identified as Krys B. Ruiz. Ruiz was wearing a blue top with dark pants. Ruiz looked back at Officer's Carrillo's location and began to walk northbound, away from his vehicle. Ruiz continued to walk and looked back at Officer Carrillo before walking westbound into the open lot, out of sight from Carrillo's camera view.

At 20:09:03, a black marked SUV is seen driving westbound on Walnut Avenue. Seconds later, Officer Calderon is seen walking westbound near the southern sidewalk on Walnut Avenue. He is seen holding the patrol rifle as he walked next to Corporal White, who had exited the black marked SUV. At 20:09:27, Corporal White and Officer Calderon begin to step backwards, followed by firing their weapons. At this time, Ruiz is seen coming into view, running towards the officers and ultimately falling after being struck by several fired rounds.

Seconds later, Officer Carrillo is seen walking towards their location, but returns to his vehicle and drives up to where Ruiz had fallen.

At 20:11:37, two officers grab Ruiz' hands and drag him several feet east, flip him over and place handcuffs on him.

Video summary

File name: Brian Guerra_202103282004_Unit0023_39779652.mp4
 Date modified: 03/29/2021 1:16 AM
 Type: MP4 Video file (VLC)
 Size: 371,318 KB
 Duration: 23:43

NOTE: This is the vehicle Sgt. Morgan was driving. No audio was captured during the incident

This video begins at 20:00:00, but it skips from 20:02:22 to 20:08:39. At 20:08:39, the vehicle is driving westbound on Ocean Avenue, takes a right turn on G Street, left on E. Walnut Avenue and comes to a stop just east of where Corporal White and Officer Calderon were standing. As the vehicle comes to a stop, the camera captured Cpl. White and Officer Calderon stepping back as they were firing their weapons. Sgt. Morgan is seen immediately exiting the vehicle and running towards the officer's location.

Due to darkness and vehicle positioning, nothing else was seen. At 20:13:29, the vehicle is moved from its location by an unidentified officer. The vehicle is repositioned on E. Walnut and G Street to block traffic.

Video summary

File name: Gabriel Molina_202103282004_Unit0222_35476770.mp4
 Date modified: 03/29/2021 3:18 AM
 Type: MP4 Video file (VLC)
 Size: 403,147 KB
 Duration: 25:45

NOTE: This is the vehicle Officer Calderon was driving. No audio was captured during the incident

At 20:05:48, the vehicle drives out of the parking lot and onto E Street, northbound. Vehicle drives up to Ocean

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Avenue and turned left, continued Eastbound and turned right onto G Street, then turned left onto Walnut Avenue. Officer Calderon drove westbound on Walnut Avenue and stopped on the south curblane, between 112 E. Walnut Avenue and 139 N. G Street and turned off the vehicle's headlights. Approximately 40 seconds later, Officer Calderon moved the vehicle up to the front of 112 E. Walnut Avenue.

Officer Calderon exited his vehicle and walked westbound on Walnut Avenue. Crp. White is seen driving past Officer Calderon's vehicle and parked his vehicle facing south towards the open lot with the spotlight on.

Both officers are seen walking south in the direction of the open lot. At 20:09:27, both officers begin to walk back 2-3 steps before beginning to fire their firearms. An object that appears to be a subject is seen falling, but due to large bushes and the building (112 E. Walnut), nothing else was seen.

Video summary

File name: Unknown_202103282006_Unit0216_102273089.mp4

Date modified: 03/29/2021 3:34 AM

Type: MP4 Video file (VLC)

Size: 350,126 KB

Duration: 22:22

NOTE: This is the vehicle Corporal White was driving. No audio was captured during the incident

This video begins at 20:00:02, but it skips from 20:02:09 to 20:07:47. At 20:07:47, the vehicle is driving northbound on E Street, turns left onto E. Chestnut Avenue, left onto G Street, right onto E. Walnut Avenue and parked the marked patrol vehicle facing south, in front of the open lot. Cpl. White activated the driver side spotlight and illuminated a subject later identified as Ruiz, standing in the open lot area. Ruiz moved eastbound and went out of view due to a large bush.

Approximately ten seconds later, Ruiz is seen walking in a north/east direction, towards Officer Calderon's possible location. Ruiz placed his hands up, but immediately put them down. He then began to run in the north/east location. As he was running, a flashlight appeared to have illuminated Ruiz as he passed some bushes and continued running, but due to the camera positioning, nothing else was seen.

I also listened to the 9-1-1 call, that was made from (805) 729-0049, which was listed as Ruiz' cell phone and also verified to be his phone by his mother.

The following is a summary of the call. For more details, see the CD that was booked under this report.

Call: 2021_03_28_20_04_40

The Dispatcher asked what the emergency was. The caller reported seeing a subject with an object that looked like a gun in the area of the Lompoc theater. When the Dispatched inquired if it was the theater by 100 N. H Street, the called said yes. The caller described the subject as wearing dark clothing and possibly wearing a mask. The caller reported seeing the subject walking down the alley, but was unable to provide any further details.

CASE DISPOSITION:

Follow-up report, investigation ongoing