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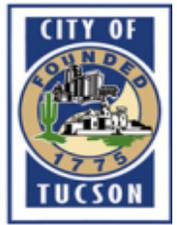
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STOLEN PATROL CAR AND OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING 4300 BLOCK OF EAST CALLE AURORA

On November 6, 2011 at approximately 10:40 a.m., officers from the Tucson Police Department's Operations Division Midtown responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle in the desert area north of East Golf Links Road and west of South Swan Road. An officer located the vehicle and determined it was listed as a stolen vehicle. The suspect fled on foot before the officer could detain him. The suspect fled through the neighborhood to the north of the desert area and eventually climbed over a residential front yard wall in the 4300 block of East Calle Aurora.

Sergeant Kyle Robinson, a 15-year veteran, was approaching the residence in his patrol car when the suspect came over the wall. Sergeant Robinson exited his patrol car and ordered the male to surrender at gunpoint. When the male began to run, Sergeant Robinson chased him on foot. The suspect circled around and was able to get into the driver's seat of Sergeant Robinson's marked patrol car. Sergeant Robinson struggled with the suspect, attempting to put the car in Park as the car began to lurch forward, dragging him. The suspect drove up over the curb onto the sidewalk area, through a mailbox post, and then aimed the driver's side door at a large block wall. Fearing he was going to be run over or crushed by the wall, Sergeant Robinson was able to draw his issued handgun and fire one round at the driver. The shot missed the suspect and before the car struck the wall, Sergeant Robinson was able to drop free from the car. Sergeant Robinson sustained bruising and abrasion injuries and is expected to recover.

As Sergeant Robinson was being dragged down the street westbound, an officer was responding to the area from the east. She saw the suspect dragging Sergeant Robinson and attempted to block the stolen patrol car with her vehicle. Before she could overtake the car and pull in front of it, the suspect swerved off of the curb striking the front left side of her vehicle. As the suspect accelerated from the scene, she began a vehicle pursuit.

The vehicle pursuit went northbound from the area at a high rate of speed. During the pursuit,

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the suspect activated the emergency lights and siren on the stolen police vehicle. When the suspect began to drive eastbound in the westbound lanes of Broadway Boulevard approaching Swan Road at speeds of approximately 90 M.P.H., the pursuit was terminated due to the perceived risk to other motorists on the crowded roadway.

A short time later the suspect and stolen police car were spotted on westbound I-10 near downtown. A vehicle pursuit was again initiated and Tucson Police Department officers chased the suspect westbound towards Marana, while the pursuit and suspect information were being relayed to Department of Public (DPS) Safety Highway Patrol officers. Once the DPS was advised of the pursuit and were able to set up in advance of the fleeing suspect, Tucson Police Department officers slowed down and followed at a distance. The suspect was driving in excess of 100 M.P.H. at that time.

DPS officers engaged the suspect in a pursuit, which continued on westbound I-10 towards Casa Grande at speeds of up to 120 m.p.h. It was in that vicinity that DPS used road spikes to disable one or more of the tires on the stolen police car. The suspect continued to drive until he neared the Sacaton freeway rest area at approximately milepost 182. There the suspect abandoned the vehicle to flee on foot. DPS officers captured him after a short foot pursuit in which DPS officers used a Taser to affect the arrest. Tucson Police personnel transported the suspect back to Tucson for further investigation. The suspect was uninjured except for being struck by the Taser probes.

The suspect has been identified as **28-year old Steven Davis**. He has been booked into the Pima County Adult Detention Center on **one count each of Aggravated Assault on a Police Officer, Theft of a Means of Transportation, and Felony Flight from Law Enforcement**, all felonies. Additional charges are pending the follow-up investigation.

A booking photo will be provided when it becomes available.

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