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NEWS RELEASE: SHOOTING INVESTIGATION UPDATE

FORT WORTH, Texas (September 5, 2024) - The off-duty Fort Worth Police Officer involved in a hit-and-run shooting investigation that occurred on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, was placed on restricted duty on Thursday, September 5, 2024.

When an officer is placed on restricted duty, the officer is reassigned to an administrative position where he/she has no police powers and his/her badge and gun are taken away. As per policy and standard procedure, the names of officers involved in shootings are not released pending the active investigation.

Concurrent criminal and administrative investigations are being conducted. Per policy, in cases where an officer is involved in a shooting, the following occurs:

- Administrative and criminal investigations are initiated.
- The officer and witnesses and other involved parties are interviewed.
- Evidence is collected and reviewed.
- The findings of any criminal case investigated by the Major Case Unit is turned over to the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office (TCDA) for review.
- TCDA will determine what charges, if any, are to be pursued.
- Internal Affairs will conduct an investigation based upon the completion of the information received above.

Typically, unless an arrest is made in cases such as this, the names of the parties involved are not released.

At this time, no one, including the driver who was shot during this incident, has been placed under arrest. The investigation into both the hit-and-run and the shooting will determine if any charge(s) will be filed.

The Fort Worth Police Department is asking for the community's help by providing any pictures or videos of the incident. Please call the Major Case Unit at (817) 392-4430 with this information.

The Fort Worth Police Department encourages drivers to not engage with other drivers who appear to be agitated or showing signs of road rage. Call 911 immediately to report the incident. If possible to do so safely, gather the license plate information and description of the driver and vehicle involved.

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FORT WORTH, Texas (September 3, 2024) - On Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at approximately 4:06 p.m., an off-duty Fort Worth Police Officer called 911 and said that he was involved in a hit-and-run that had just occurred on I-35W SB at Morningside Drive.

The off-duty officer stated that his vehicle was struck by another vehicle and that the driver did not stop to exchange information and instead drove away.

The off-duty officer told the 911 call taker that he started following the vehicle, which he described as a red Ford F-150.

During the 911 call, the off-duty officer then said that the vehicle he was following attempted to ram his vehicle.

The off-duty officer then advised that shots were fired.

This vehicular incident continued southbound on I-35W until it came to a stop on the southbound service road of I-35W at Bellvue Dr., when at 4:13 p.m., the Fort Worth Police Department responded.

Officers found that the driver involved in the hit-and-run had been struck by gunfire multiple times. The driver received immediate medical treatment on scene and was taken to an area hospital where he is currently being treated for his injuries, which are believed to be non-life threatening.

This investigation is in its preliminary stage and remains ongoing. Further details will be released once they are gathered and confirmed.

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