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PRESS RELEASE – UPDATE 6/22/18

Case Number: 18-003410
Date/Time: 06/21/18 @ 5:22 PM
Location: Veteran's Park (Third Street at Main Street)
Charges: See updated narrative
Suspect: Dario Mundo Perez, 28-year-old Latino male

Updated Information – *This update is being provided to clarify some misinformation and to provide additional details about the 6/21/18 shooting at the City of Napa Veteran's Park.*

During the late afternoon of 06/21/18 our Dispatch center was contacted by a man who was trying to reach specific Napa Police Officers. Due to officer availability, he was not successful at getting to meet with the officers as he desired. At approximately 5:22 PM the same man called the Napa Police Department and advised he located "an AR-15" in the grass at the City of Napa Veteran's Park. During the initial investigation, this man's identity was not released. His identity has since been confirmed as Dario Mundo Perez, a 28-year-old Napa resident.

Uniformed Napa Police Officers were arriving to Perez' call for service as additional calls were coming in from community members about Perez' behavior. A caller reported they believed Perez may have fired a gun. This information was learned as our officers were arriving. Upon arrival, the officers began speaking with Perez and tried to defuse his frustration. Bystanders quickly moved away from Perez as the situation developed.

During their negotiations, the officers did not see Perez in possession of a rifle, as he had reported. Perez began to move about the lower concrete area while yelling at the officers. The officers had a mixture of lethal (service weapons) and "less lethal" force options present while speaking with Perez. Perez increased his hostility and became threatening toward the officers. As he aggressed toward the officers, Perez told the officers he had a handgun and began to reach for his waistband. Two officers deployed "less lethal" bean bag rounds at Perez. During the volley, he presented a small caliber semi-automatic handgun and fired a round at the officers. Because he had moved positions, the officers were in close contact with Perez. He was struck with additional bean bag rounds and was tackled by the officers. The handgun was taken from him and he was immediately taken into police custody.



None of the officers or bystanders were injured by Perez' gunshot. Perez was struck by multiple bean bag rounds. Perez was transported to the Queen of the Valley Medical Center for medical care. His injuries from the bean bag rounds were determined to be minor and he was medically cleared for incarceration. He was transported to the Napa Police Department then to the Napa County Department of Corrections where he was booked for his violent illegal actions. Once his identity was confirmed, it was determined he was a previously convicted felon. Additional weapon charges were applied based on the new information.

Criminal charges include:

- 664/187 PC Five counts of attempted murder of the police officers
- 29800 (A) (1) PC Convicted felon in possession of a firearm
- 30305 (A) (1) PC Convicted felon in possession of ammunition

It should be noted, no AR-15 or other style rifle was located and it is believed he never had possession of one, contrary to what he told our dispatchers. The handgun he used was recovered and it is not believed additional weapons are outstanding. The ownership of the recovered handgun is still being researched.

We would like to express our appreciation for the assistance of the community who was present at the time of the incident and for the expressed support afterwards. We strive to keep Napa a safe city and we appreciate the relationships we have with our community. We ask anyone with personal or commercial video or other information to please contact Detective Pete Piersig at 707-257-9514 or ppersig@cityofnapa.org.

Original Press Release –

On 06/21/18 at approximately 5:22 PM Napa Central Dispatch received a telephone call from a man who said he found a rifle in the grass at Veteran's Park in downtown Napa. The same caller had called the Napa Dispatch Center three times just prior to this call requesting specific officers by name. The suspect's name will not be released at this time.

Uniformed Napa Police Officers arriving on scene observed a man who was standing on the lower concrete area in the park. As officers approached they recognized him from prior police calls for service and tried to speak with him. Additional resources were called to the park, to include "less lethal" enforcement options. The situation quickly escalated. As the officer approached the man, he raised a semi-automatic handgun and fired at least one bullet at the officers. Two of the officers immediately deployed "less lethal" bean bag projectile rounds at the man. The bean bag projectiles struck the him and he was immediately taken into custody. No officers fired their service weapons.

Per department policy, the man was transported to Queen of the Valley Medical Center where he was treated and released for minor injuries from the "less lethal" projectiles.



We are grateful that none of the officers or citizens were injured or killed by this man during this rapidly evolving encounter and we appreciate the witnesses who remained in the area to provide statements to investigators.

We are looking for anyone with video recordings of this incident, even if you already spoke with an officer at the scene. Anyone with information about the investigation can contact Detective Pete Piersig at 707-257-9514 or ppiersig@cityofnapa.org.

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