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LVMPD Investigates 20th Officer Involved Shooting of 2017

On November 6, 2017 at approximately 1:53 p.m. a citizen discovered a deceased male in the front yard of a residence located in the 7300 block of Newcrest Circle. Homicide detectives were called out. During their investigation, detectives uncovered a second victim, who was also deceased, inside the same residence.

During the course of their investigation, homicide detectives developed sufficient probable cause to obtain a search warrant for the next door neighbor's residence.

The SWAT Section was called out to serve the search warrant. SWAT followed standard protocol of attempting to establish contact with the suspect and have him exit the home. After several failed attempts at establishing contact with anyone inside the residence, SWAT officers made entry into the home.

As SWAT officers cleared the upstairs portion of the residence, they came upon a locked bedroom door. The K9 unit was deployed into the room. The K9 handler and SWAT officers made entry into the room and found a male suspect actively engaged in a fight with the police dog. Officers were able to see that the male suspect was armed with a firearm. When the suspect pointed the weapon in their direction, two officers fired at the suspect and he was struck twice. Officers rendered aid and had the suspect immediately transported to UMC Trauma where he was pronounced deceased.

Preliminary information indicates the suspect that SWAT officers encountered was also the suspect involved in the double homicide.

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Captain Kelly McMahon of the Office of Internal Oversight and Constitutional Policing provided a brief statement regarding this incident. The video can be viewed by clicking on the following link: <https://youtu.be/4JVIN8qvgcl>

This is the 20th officer involved shooting of 2017. Per LVMPD policy, the identity of the officers involved will be released after 48 hours.

Anyone with any information about this incident is urged to contact the LVMPD Force Investigation Section at 702-828-8452. To remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 702-385-5555, on the internet at www.crimestoppersofnv.com. Tips leading directly to an arrest or indictment processed through Crime Stoppers may be eligible for a cash reward.

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