CARVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

FOLLOW-UP REPORT

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Date of This Report: 04/23/16

DETAILS:

1. On 04/21/16 at 0943 hrs., Deputies Horvath and Hastings along with a Ridgeview ambulance and Chanhassen Fire / Rescue were dispatched to Paisley Park on a report of male down who was not breathing. Paisley Park is located at 7801 Audubon Rd. in the City of Chanhassen. I (Sgt. Breunig) responded also to assist.

2. Deputy Horvath, Deputy Hastings, Chanhassen CSO Sanchez, members of the Chanhassen Fire Department, and two Ridgeview paramedics arrived on scene before I did. When I arrived, I entered the building through the main entrance on the north side. I noted three adults in the lobby on the first floor. I continued to an elevator that's to the right, just past the lobby. On the floor outside of the elevator, I observed an adult male lying on his side on top of a crumpled rug. The male was dressed in pants, socks (no shoes), and some type of shirt. The male was later identified as Prince Rogers Nelson (DOB-[redacted]). I spoke to Chanhassen Fire Chief Johnson (Chief 1) who was one of the first responders to arrive. Chief Johnson told me Nelson was still in the elevator when he arrived. Chief Johnson said he could not detect a pulse on Nelson, but believed he was still warm to the touch. Chief Johnson said he then drug Nelson out of the elevator and initiated CPR.

3. I then spoke to one of the paramedics on the scene. The paramedic told me that he observed signs of rigor mortis on Nelson's body which indicated he had not died recently. The paramedic said they used a heart monitor to check for indications of a heart rhythm, the reading was asystole (flat line). The paramedic then called "med control" at the Ridgeview Medical Center to consult with emergency room staff. It was after that when the paramedics advised that Nelson was pronounced deceased at 1007 hrs. The paramedics spoke to the three people in the lobby and then cleared from the scene.

4. Chief Johnson wanted to rule out the possibility of there being dangerous levels of carbon dioxide in the building. Chief Jonson said one of his firefighters had used a monitor and advised that carbon dioxide levels in the building were safe. Chief Johnson wanted to check the carbon dioxide levels in the parking garage. I had Deputy Horvath accompany Chief Johnson to the parking garage. They returned a few minutes later and Chief Johnson advised the carbon dioxide levels in the parking garage were safe. All members of the Chanhassen Fire Department then cleared from the scene.

5. I stayed near the body to protect the scene. I instructed Deputies Horvath and Hastings to take initial statements from the people in the lobby and to record them. I then contacted my immediate supervisor, Lt. Kittelson. I advised Lt. Kittelson of the situation and requested that he respond to the scene. I then contacted Detective Sgt. Meier and advised him of the situation. Detective Sgt. Meir said he would be responding with a team of detectives. I then requested that Dispatch advise the Medical Examiner. I received a phone call a short time later from a Medical Examiner Investigator. She said she would be responding to the scene after consulting with the pathologist. When Deputy Horvath was done taking initial statements from people in the lobby, I directed him to the entrance of the parking lot on the property

and told him to start a crime scene log.

6. When Detective Sgt. Meier arrived on scene, he asked that I join him and other law enforcement officers in doing a protective sweep of the property. The purpose of this is to find out if anyone else is on the property and to ensure that the scene is safe. An adult male by the name of Kirk accompanied us during the protective sweep. Kirk is a high level staffer who was close to Nelson and had keys for the property.

7. While we were on the second floor of the building during the protective sweep, we noticed a black colored glove and a black colored garment, which appeared to be a jacket, lying in the hallway. Kirk was asked if that seemed normal. Kirk replied it was not normal and for that reason, he didn't touch it. I did not observe anyone or anything suspicious during the rest of the protective sweep of the interior of the building. Detective Sgt. Meir and I then did a protective sweep of the area around the outside of the building. I did not observe anything suspicious.

8. During the remainder of my time on the scene, I assisted with interior scene security, assisted in guiding Hennepin County Sheriff's Office crime scene deputies to various parts of the building, and I left the scene twice for periods of time to get supplies needed at the scene. I completely cleared from the scene at approximately 1645 hrs.

End of Report

Sgt. J. Breunig #822