



SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060



MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: September 13, 2020

LOCATION: Depot Park, Santa Cruz

TOPIC: Murder Investigation

CASE NUMBER: 20S-05232

INVOLVED SUBJECTS:

SUSPECT: Withheld

DOB: Withheld

Arrested: Yes

Charges: 187(a) PC-Murder

VICTIM: 43 year old male-Deceased

INFORMATION

On Sunday, September 13, 2020, at approximately 0300 hours, Santa Cruz Police Officers were dispatched to a call for a report of an assault with a deadly weapon in the area of Depot Park. When officers arrived on scene they located an unresponsive male subject near the parking lot suffering from multiple stab wounds. First aid was immediately rendered and emergency medical personnel were called to the scene for further medical treatment. The subject was transported to Dominican Hospital Emergency Room where the victim ultimately succumbed to his injuries. The victim's identification is being withheld at this time, pending next of kin notification.

During the initial dispatch, officers were provided a description of an involved male subject who had fled the scene. Officers were able to locate a subject matching the description who was later positively identified as the second party involved in the incident. The suspect was taken into custody and later booked into Santa Cruz County Jail on charges of 187(a) PC-Murder. Santa Cruz Police Detectives were called to the scene and continued the investigation throughout the early morning hours. The suspect's identification and booking photo are being withheld at this time pending additional witness follow-up.

This investigation is on-going and the Santa Cruz Police Department asks that anyone with information about this case is encouraged to contact the Santa Cruz Police Department Investigations Division at (831) 420-5820.

For additional information, contact: Lieutenant Arnold Vasquez

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