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POLICE INVESTIGATE OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN LINDA VISTA

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating an officer involved shooting that occurred in Linda Vista last night.

At 10:20 p.m., Western Division patrol officers received a radio call of an armed robbery occurring at the Filbertos taco shop located at 2399 Ulric Street. The caller reported that two Hispanic males entered the restaurant and demanded money. One of the suspects was armed with a handgun. Responding officers located the suspect vehicle and initiated a traffic stop a short distance from the robbery. The passenger fled from the vehicle, running eastbound on Ulric Street, while the driver remained in the vehicle and was taken into custody.

Patrol officers established a perimeter in the area of Ulric Street and Burroughs Street. A witness contacted officers and stated that the suspect entered their residence at 2235 Ulric Street requesting assistance and concealment from officers. When they refused, the suspect fled to the 2200 block of Burroughs Street. The witness believed that the suspect was armed with a handgun. The fleeing suspect was eventually located by patrol officers in front of 2217 Burroughs Street. As the officers were attempting to gain control of the suspect, he pulled his arms forward and reached into his waistband. A patrol sergeant removed his service weapon and ordered the suspect to remove his hands from his waist area. Two additional officers assisted the sergeant, but were not able to gain control of the suspect. Believing that the suspect was armed with a handgun, and fearing for his safety and that of his fellow officers, the patrol sergeant shot the suspect. The suspect was not in possession of a firearm at the time of the shooting however, investigators located a loaded firearm in the apartment complex at 2235 Ulric Street where he confronted the witness. The suspect is being treated for his non-life threatening wounds at Sharp Memorial Hospital.

The sergeant involved in the shooting is a 18 year veteran of the department.

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