



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: MAY 8, 2018

FROM: RIVERSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: DISBURSE \$10,000 REWARD TO TWO SUBJECTS FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF SUSPECT RESPONSIBLE FOR DANIEL DEAN MURDER

ISSUE:

Approve the disbursement of the reward previously authorized by City Council on October 10, 2017, for the murder of Daniel Dean in the city of Riverside.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council disburse the \$10,000 that was approved by City Council on October 10, 2017, to reward two subjects that came forward to supply significant information that helped detectives identify and apprehend the suspect responsible for the murder of Daniel Dean.

BACKGROUND:

On September 1, 2017, at approximately 0428 hours, Riverside Police Department officers responded to the parking lot of Chase Bank at 10355 Magnolia Avenue, in the city and county of Riverside, regarding calls of shots being fired in the area. Upon officers' arrival, they located Daniel Dean in the driver's seat of his vehicle, unresponsive and injured from apparent gunshot wounds. The vehicle had multiple bullet strikes in the driver's door and driver's door window. Before medical personnel arrived, the officers made entry into the vehicle and began CPR on Daniel Dean in an attempt to save his life. Riverside Fire Department personnel arrived and took over CPR. Despite all efforts, Daniel Dean succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

There were no eyewitnesses to the shooting nor have any been identified to date. The reporting parties only described hearing the gunshots and seeing silhouettes of two individuals running from the area of Chase Bank. Detectives recovered video surveillance footage from the area but had been unable to find images of the suspect(s) before, during, or after the homicide that could assist in identifying them.

In May of 2001, the "Riverside Reward Program" was approved by the City Council. Guidelines for offering rewards are listed in section 364 of the Riverside Police Department Policy Manual.

On October 10, 2017, City Council adopted Resolution No. 23234 approving a reward in the amount of \$10,000 for information leading to the identification and apprehension of the person or persons responsible for the death of Daniel Dean, Police Department Case #P17-158226, for a duration of 60 days.

DISCUSSION

Claimant #1

1. Anonymous Claimant #1
2. Anonymous Claimant #1 is eligible to receive payment because the information was provided during the 60-day period that City Council adopted the resolution (10/10/17-12/10/17) and although this claimant provided information prior to the reward, Anonymous Claimant #1 became aware the reward was offered and continued to provide information afterward with the intent to receive the reward.
3. On September 4, 2017, Anonymous Claimant #1 contacted Detective Brandt after seeing the detective's name on a press release. This claimant provided information that led to the suspect's name when detectives, at the time, had no known suspect on which to focus their investigation. This claimant continued to give Detective Brandt information about what family members were saying about the murder and where and when family members could be found. The information was continually provided on an almost daily basis up to the arrest of the suspect on November 14, 2017.
4. It is the Police Department's recommendation that Anonymous Claimant #1 should be paid 50% of the reward money. Anonymous Claimant #1's information was critical because it allowed detectives to focus their investigation on a specific subject and the continued information helped expand the scope of other investigative leads used during the investigation.

Claimant #2

1. Anonymous Claimant #2
2. Anonymous Claimant #2 is eligible to receive payment because the information was provided during the 60-day period the City Council adopted the resolution (10/10/17-12/10/17) and the claimant was aware of the reward and offered information with the intent to receive the reward.
3. Anonymous Claimant #2 gave valuable information that helped locate the suspect, who had fled out of state after the murder. Anonymous Claimant #2 also provided information about family members who were actively hiding the suspect. This claimant's information allowed detectives to serve out-of-state search warrants during the investigation.
4. It is the Police Department's recommendation that Anonymous Claimant #2 should be paid 50% of the reward money. This claimant's information allowed detectives to find the out-of-state location where the suspect was living after the murder and also identified family

members that were involved in attempting to hide the suspect. This information also helped expand the scope of other investigative leads used during the investigation and led to the suspect's arrest.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding in the amount of \$10,000 is available in the Riverside Police Department's Riverside Reward Program Account No. 3100000-459026.

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