



McAllen Police Department

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Contact Person: Officer Olivia Lopez

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Nature of Call For Service (CFS): Disturbance – In-Progress.

Location: 1600 Block N. Bicentennial Blvd.

Date: 03/11/2024.

Time: 4:28 PM.

At 4:28 PM McAllen Police Officer(s) reported “male [wearing] red shirt banging on the [McAllen Public Safety Building] window ...male has two knives”. Responding Officers made contact with the suspect in the canopy area immediately outside the front lobby doors of the McAllen Public Safety Building. The suspect held two (2) knives, one in each hand.

Multiple Responding Officers attempted verbally engage the suspect, requested the suspect to place his weapons down and offered any assistance he (the suspect) may want. The suspect became more aggressive with Responding Officers.

The Responding Officers next attempted less-than-lethal munitions (pepper ball). Multiple pepper ball munitions were fired at the suspect. These failed and the suspect instead threw one (1) knife at the Responding Officers and charged at another Officer with one (1) knife in hand. The Officer that was charged by the suspect discharged approximately four (4) rounds from his duty weapon at the suspect and wounded the suspect. Preliminary indications indicate that the suspect was wounded on his upper body, leg and hand area. Responding Officers immediately proceeded with first aid care and summoned Emergency Medical Service. The suspect was transported and is under hospital care at this time.

The suspect has been tentatively identified as: Bryan Colunga, 31 years of age, with a last known address at McAllen, TX.

The Officer that discharged his handgun is Officer Kyle Minister a 3.5 YR Officer at McAllen PD.

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