

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL EXPRESSES CONCERN ABOUT - US Fed News (USA) - June 12, 2018

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ROCKVILLE, Md., June 12 -- Montgomery County issued the following City Council news release:

Today Montgomery County Council President Hans Riemer expressed concern on behalf of the Council about the officer-involved shooting that occurred yesterday afternoon on Three Oaks Drive in Silver Spring that resulted in the death of **Robert Lawrence White**. According to the Montgomery County Police, Anand Badgular, a 3rd District patrol officer, requested assistance while investigating "a suspicious person nearby in the 9200 block of Three Oaks Drive." A physical altercation ensued and Mr. White, a 41-year-old African American man, was shot by the officer and died shortly thereafter.

"I want to assure the public that all nine Councilmembers are paying close attention to the officer-involved shooting that occurred yesterday," said Council President Hans Riemer. "We have requested the body camera footage that is part of the ongoing investigation. Anyone with information regarding this shooting is asked to contact the Major Crimes Division and may remain anonymous."

Police Chief Manger and investigative personnel have reviewed the body-worn camera footage of the shooting and report that Officer Badgular tried to talk with Mr. White and, once Mr. White became combative, Officer Badgular attempted to subdue him with pepper spray prior to the shooting.

Following Montgomery County Police Department protocol, the Major Crimes Division will investigate the shooting and turn their findings over to the Office of the State's Attorney for Howard County. In an effort to ensure neutrality when investigating officer-involved shooting cases, the Montgomery County Police Department has an established agreement with the Office of the State's Attorney for Howard County to review the findings of the Major Crimes Division.

The Internal Affairs Division of the Montgomery County Police Department will also conduct a personnel investigation to see if there was any officer misconduct in this case.

The Major Crimes Division of the Montgomery County Police Department can be reached at 240-773-5070.

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