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MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: June 1, 2022, 7:02 pm
Incident: 2022-61139
Location: 400 block of N. Arizona Avenue
Suspect: Raymond Earl Harding, 27 years old
Officer: Jacob Ramer #817, 2 years of service
Richard Rimbach #711, 7 years of service

Aggravated Assault on a Police Officer – Officer Involved Shooting

On June 6, 2022, 27-year-old Raymond Earl Harding was arrested by police and charged with two counts of Aggravated Assault-Police Officer (ARS 13-1204A2), one count of Aggravated Assault-Minor (ARS 13-1204A6), one count of Possession of a Weapon by a Prohibited Possessor (ARS 13-3102A4), and one count of Disorderly Conduct-Weapon (ARS 13-2904A6).

The arrest stemmed from an incident on June 1, 2022, at 7:02 pm, where Chandler Police Officers were dispatched to a threats call involving a gun located in the 400 block of North Arizona Avenue. A citizen called 911 reporting a subject flashed a silver handgun concealed in his waistband at the citizen and a child. The citizen described the subject as a Black male wearing a black shirt, shorts, and a black head wrap.

The first officer arrived at the location and observed the subject matching the description standing outside the business. The officer informed the subject he was aware he had a gun and ordered him to place his hands in the air and turn around. Instead, the subject put his hands in the air and advised he did not have a gun



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before running from the police. The first officer captured this interaction on their body-worn camera.

The second officer's body-worn camera was active when he arrived and observed the subject reaching for his waistband while running. The subject removed a handgun from his waistband with his right hand and turned toward both officers. At this time, both officers fired their duty weapons at the suspect.

The suspect continued to run from officers jumping into various residential yards. After an extensive search by police, the suspect was not located. However, on June 2, 2022, Chandler Police found the suspect's gun in a residential yard and identified the suspect as Raymond Earl Harding.

No officers or community members were injured during this incident, and police determined Harding sustained no injuries due to the shooting. All suspects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

