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Antonio Montgomery charged with manslaughter, other crimes in connection with July 8, 2019 vehicular homicide investigation

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that a five-count charging document was filed against 20-year-old Antonio Montgomery for allegedly killing two people on July 8, 2019 in the Centennial neighborhood of southeast Portland during a multi-vehicle crash.

Montgomery is charged with two counts of manslaughter in the first degree, two counts of failure to perform the duties of a driver and one count of assault in the third degree.

This investigation started on July 8, 2019 when Portland Police officers and members of the Portland Police Bureau's Major Crash Team responded to a crash at the intersection of Southeast 148th Avenue and Southeast Powell Boulevard. When officers arrived, they located a black BMW SUV and learned that the driver, later identified as Montgomery, had fled the scene, according to a probable cause affidavit.

Charlene Hauth, 60, a passenger of one of the vehicles struck by Montgomery's vehicle, died on scene, according to court documents. The driver of that same vehicle, Robin Macready, 59, was transported to the hospital with critical injuries and later died as a result of the injuries sustained in the crash.

According to court documents: prior to the crash at Southeast 148th Avenue and Southeast Powell Boulevard, Montgomery was involved in a separate hit and run crash near the intersection of Southeast 171st Avenue and Southeast Powell Boulevard. The other driver involved in the crash told officers that she followed the suspect's vehicle in attempt to get its license plate information.

Officers spoke with numerous witnesses who reported Montgomery was operating his vehicle at speeds estimated to be between 50 and 80 miles per hour, the probable cause affidavit states.

Shortly after the crash at the intersection of Southeast 148th Avenue and Southeast Powell Boulevard, a witness observed Montgomery gathering items from his vehicle, according to court documents. That witness told police she yelled at Montgomery to stay at the scene but he refused and took off running, according to court documents.

A wallet with Montgomery's Oregon identification was located near the scene of the crash, the probable cause affidavit states.

During the search for Montgomery, law enforcement learned that people living in a nearby residence located him hiding inside their shower, according to court documents. The witnesses told police that Montgomery offered them money in exchange for their vehicle and that when they declined, he continued to flee on foot.

Law enforcement later located Montgomery in the 13100 block of Southeast Center Street by members of the Portland Police Bureau.

A charging document is only an accusation of a crime. Montgomery is innocent unless and until proven guilty.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office has no additional information to release at this time.

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