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Portland Robbery Suspect Captured By Tigard Police

A 9-1-1 call at 10:26 a.m. on October 25 alerted Portland Police that an armed suspect allegedly robbed an office employee at the Aladdin Inn motel located 8905 SW Barbur Blvd. in Portland. A witness observed the robbery suspect flee in a white van and minutes later stop at a Shell Gas on Pacific Highway near 69th Ave. in Tigard. Portland Police attempted to stop the suspect vehicle as it departed from the gas station. A Tigard Police officer in the area also joined the Portland effort to pursue and stop the suspect vehicle. Both agencies continued their effort to stop the vehicle as it attempted to elude police.

The suspect vehicle led police on a maze of routes through Tigard and at multiple times, the suspect fired several rounds from a gun aimed at Tigard Police who were pursuing the vehicle. The chase ultimately traveled into Lake Oswego where the suspect allegedly continued to fire shots at police in pursuit. The suspect vehicle ultimately stopped along Boones Ferry Rd. near McEwan Rd in Tualatin where the suspect fled carrying weapons. While multiple officers cautiously checked the stopped vehicle, several Tigard officers followed the fleeing suspect closely behind on foot. During the attempt to elude police, the armed suspect sustained a gunshot wound from a Tigard Police officer. The suspect was treated at the scene and transported by ground to OHSU. A check on the suspect vehicle revealed several occupants including children. None of the van's occupants were injured. No police officer was injured as a result of the earlier gunfire by the suspect.

The Washington County Major Crimes is currently investigating the officer-involved shooting and related incidents. The Portland Police Bureau will be investigating the motel robbery which began the subsequent chain of events. The name of the officer involved in the shooting will be released at a later time and was placed on administrative leave. The identity of the suspect is not yet known. When available, additional information pertinent to the investigation will be released as appropriate.

True police professionalism and dedication resulted in mitigating any danger to the community throughout the chain of events which unfolded today. The combined efforts of the Tigard Police, along with Portland Police, Tualatin Police, Beaverton Police, Oregon State Police, King City Police and the Washington County Sheriff's Office were well coordinated and executed.