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TIGARD POLICE RESPOND TO TWO PRIORITY CALLS

At 4:05 p.m. Tigard Police responded to a report of a theft in progress. A woman reported that a man broke her car window and stole her purse in the parking lot of the H Mart, a grocery store at 13600 SW Pacific Highway. The woman tried chasing him, but he got away in a car with a second suspect. Officers located the suspect vehicle in the area of SW Main Street in downtown Tigard and apprehended the driver. The suspect who broke the victim’s car window took off running, but officers located and handcuffed him. Before he could be placed in a patrol vehicle, he managed to escape and ran into a wetland area, sparking an extensive search.

As officers began a K-9 track, a second call came into dispatch of a person in crisis threatening violence with a gun. That was reported at 4:37 p.m. at the Brightwaters at Red Hawk apartment complex at 16100 SW 108th Avenue. Law enforcement from several agencies responded. As officers were arriving and staging outside the man’s apartment unit, he fired a shot from inside his apartment toward an outside area. Officers made phone contact with the man and he ultimately surrendered peacefully. The gun was recovered and no one was hurt. Officers canvassed the complex to ensure the safety of nearby residents.

With that call resolved, officers were then able to refocus on capturing the escaped suspect from the earlier theft in progress call. Witnesses began reporting sightings of the handcuffed suspect near a trail system and several partner agencies deployed K-9 teams. Around 5:45 p.m., officers located the man near SW Hall Blvd and SW Burnham Street and he was safely taken into custody.

We’d like to thank our partners at the Washington County Sheriff’s Office along with King City, Beaverton, Tualatin, Hillsboro and Sherwood Police for their help with these investigations and for covering priority calls in Tigard while our officers responded to these unfolding events.

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