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Inmate Pronounced Deceased At Local Hospital

On February 24, 2007, at about 10:15pm, an inmate was found unresponsive in his cell by Corrections Officers and Medical Staff at the Travis County Correctional Complex and transported to Brackenridge Hospital by Austin/Travis County EMS. He was pronounced deceased on February 25, 2007 at 11:40pm.

The inmate, who was identified as

Eulogio Larry Luna III, Date Of Birth 8-14-1954,

of Austin, had been in the jail since February 20, 2007. He was arrested by the Austin Police Department for Possession of a Controlled Substance, Bond $5,000.00.

The Travis County Medical Examiner’s Office conducted a preliminary examination. There were no signs of injury or foul play on the body. They are awaiting toxicology results before releasing their final report but they did say that the manner of death was Natural Causes.

It is routine for several investigations to occur at the same time when there is an “in custody” death. The Sheriff’s Office Internal Affairs Unit as well as the Major Crime Unit will conduct separate investigations into the death. At the same time the Travis County Medical Examiner’s Office will conduct their own examination to determine the cause and manner of death.

Note: This is the second in-custody death in the Travis County Jail in 2007.

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