

Accident Report

Hermosa Beach Police Department

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Reported Date
11/18/2006
Crime/Incident
211PC
Officer
DROZ, JOSHUA

Chief of Police:

2900 BLACK

Administrative Information

Agency Hermosa Beach Police Department	Report No 06-4162	Supplement No ORIG	Reported Date 11/18/2006	Reported Time 01:19
CAD Call No 063220036	Status REPORT	Crime/Incident ROBBERY	Location HERMOSA AV	
City HERMOSA BCH	ZIP Code 90254	Rep Dist HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /	Beat 2	From Date 11/18/2006
				From Time 01:15
				To Date 11/18/2006
To Time 01:19	Officer 10173/DROZ, JOSHUA	Entered by 10173	RMS Transfer Failed	
Approving Officer 10078	Approval Date 11/18/2006	Approval Time 09:33:39		
Arrest Tab X	Area Checked X	Statement Taken X	Victim(s) Contacted X	

# Offenses	Offense	Description
1	211PC	ROBBERY

Link	Involvement	Invl No	Name	Race	Sex	Date of Birth
VIC	VIC	1	K [REDACTED]	W	M	[REDACTED]
VIC	VIC	2	P [REDACTED]	A	F	[REDACTED]
ARR	ARR	1	CANALES, [REDACTED]	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	ARR	2	CHAVEZ, [REDACTED]	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	ARR	3	GARCIA, [REDACTED]	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	ARR	4	MELLENDEZ, [REDACTED]	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	ARR	5	TOBIAS, [REDACTED]	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	ARR	6	GODINEZ, [REDACTED]	H	M	[REDACTED]

Person Summary

Invl	Invl No	Type	Name	MNI	Race	Sex	Date of Birth
ARR	1	I	CANALES, [REDACTED]	1729819	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	2	I	CHAVEZ, [REDACTED]	1729839	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	3	I	GARCIA, [REDACTED]	1729841	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	4	I	MELLENDEZ, [REDACTED]	1729813	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	5	I	TOBIAS, [REDACTED]	1729843	H	M	[REDACTED]
ARR	6	I	GODINEZ, [REDACTED]	1729844	H	M	[REDACTED]
VIC	1	I	K [REDACTED]	901524	W	M	[REDACTED]
VIC	2	I	P [REDACTED]	1729833	A	F	[REDACTED]

Summary Narrative

Suspects used a key to attempt to enter a house and commit a home invasion robbery. They

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were unable to enter the house and were arrested a short time later.

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ARRESTEE 1: CANALES,

Involvement	Invl No	Type	Name	MNI					
ARRESTEE	1	Individual	CANALES, [REDACTED]	1729819					
Race	HISPANIC/MEXICAN/LATIN LiveScan OK			Sex	Date of Birth	Age	Juvenile?	Height	Weight
				MALE	[REDACTED]	19	No	5'07"	200#
Hair Color	Eye Color								
Brown	BROWN								
Type	Address			City	State				
HOME	[REDACTED] E 28TH ST			LOS ANGELES	CALIFORNIA				
ZIP Code									
90011									
Phone Type	Phone No								
HOME	[REDACTED]								
Involvement	Arrest Type	Arrest Date	Arrest Time	Booking No	Book Date	Book Time			
ARRESTED	ARRESTED	11/18/2006	02:08:00	9291625	11/18/2006	05:09:00			
County Booking No	Status	Arrest Location							
9291625	BOOKED	LONGFELLOW AV/THE STRAND							
City	Rep Dist	Beat	Fingerprt Taken?	Mug?	Place of Birth	City of Birth			
HERMOSA BCH	HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /	2	Yes	Yes	CALIFORNIA	COMPTON			
Charge	Level	Charge Literal			Attempted?				
211PC	F	ROBBERY:FIRST DEGREE			A				

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ARRESTEE 2: CHAVEZ,

Involvement	Invl No	Type	Name	MNI					
ARRESTEE	2	Individual	CHAVEZ, [REDACTED]	1729839					
Race	HISPANIC/MEXICAN/LATIN LiveScan OK			Sex	Date of Birth	Age	Juvenile?	Height	Weight
				MALE	[REDACTED]	18	No	5'08"	200#
Hair Color	Eye Color								
Brown	BROWN								
Type	Address			City	State				
HOME	[REDACTED] W 51ST PL			LOS ANGELES	CALIFORNIA				
ZIP Code									
90062									
Phone Type	Phone No								
HOME	[REDACTED]								
Involvement	Arrest Type	Arrest Date	Arrest Time	Booking No	Book Date	Book Time			
ARRESTED	ARRESTED	11/18/2006	02:08:00	9291644	11/18/2006	05:33:00			
County Booking No	Status	Arrest Location							
9291644	BOOKED	LONGFELLOW AV/THE STRAND							
City	Rep Dist	Beat	Fingerprt Taken?	Mug?	Place of Birth	City of Birth			
HERMOSA BCH	HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /	2	Yes	Yes	CALIFORNIA	CARSON			
Charge	Level	Charge Literal			Attempted?				
211PC	F	ROBBERY:FIRST DEGREE			A				

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ARRESTEE 3: GARCIA,

Involvement	Invl No	Type	Name	MNI					
ARRESTEE	3	Individual	GARCIA, [REDACTED]	1729841					
Race	HISPANIC/MEXICAN/LATIN LiveScan OK			Sex	Date of Birth	Age	Juvenile?	Height	Weight
				MALE	[REDACTED]	19	No	5'10"	280#
Hair Color	Eye Color								
BLACK	BROWN								
Type	Address			City	State				
HOME	[REDACTED] E 56TH ST			LOS ANGELES	CALIFORNIA				
ZIP Code									
90011									
Type	ID No	OLS							
OPERATOR LICENSE	[REDACTED]	CALIFORNIA							

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Phone Type HOME	Phone No [REDACTED]							
Involvement ARRESTED	Arrest Type ARRESTED	Arrest Date 11/18/2006	Arrest Time 02:08:00	Booking No 9291560	Book Date 11/18/2006	Book Time 04:02:00		
County Booking No 9291560	Status BOOKED	Arrest Location LONGFELLOW AV/THE STRAND						
City HERMOSA BCH	Rep Dist HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /	Beat 2	Fingerpt Taken? Yes	Mug? Yes	Place of Birth CALIFORNIA	City of Birth LOS ANGELES		
Charge 211PC	Level F	Charge Literal ROBBERY:FIRST DEGREE			Attempted? A			

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ARRESTEE 4: MELENDEZ,									
Involvement ARRESTEE	Invl No 4	Type Individual	Name MELENDEZ, [REDACTED]			MNI 1729813			
Race HISPANIC/MEXICAN/LATIN		LiveScan OK		Sex MALE	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	Age 22	Juvenile? No	Height 5'07"	Weight 130#
Hair Color BLACK	Eye Color BROWN								
Type HOME	Address [REDACTED] S WESTMORELAND AV				City LOS ANGELES	State CALIFORNIA			
ZIP Code 90006									
Type OPERATOR LICENSE	ID No [REDACTED]	OLS CALIFORNIA							
Phone Type HOME	Phone No [REDACTED]								
Involvement ARRESTED	Arrest Type ARRESTED	Arrest Date 11/18/2006	Arrest Time 02:08:00	Booking No 9291590	Book Date 11/18/2006	Book Time 04:38:00	Status BOOKED		
Arrest Location LONGFELLOW AV/THE STRAND				City HERMOSA BCH	Rep Dist HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /		Beat 2		
Fingerpt Taken? Yes	Mug? Yes	Place of Birth CALIFORNIA	City of Birth LOS ANGELES						
Charge 211PC	Level F	Charge Literal ROBBERY:FIRST DEGREE			Attempted? A				

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ARRESTEE 5: TOBIAS,									
Involvement ARRESTEE	Invl No 5	Type Individual	Name TOBIAS, [REDACTED]			MNI 1729843			
Race HISPANIC/MEXICAN/LATIN		LiveScan OK		Sex MALE	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	Age 19	Juvenile? No	Height 5'09"	Weight 140#
Hair Color BLACK	Eye Color BROWN								
Type HOME	Address [REDACTED] E 55TH ST				City LOS ANGELES	State CALIFORNIA			
ZIP Code 90011									
Type OPERATOR LICENSE	ID No [REDACTED]	OLS CALIFORNIA							
Phone Type HOME	Phone No [REDACTED]								
Involvement ARRESTED	Arrest Type ARRESTED	Arrest Date 11/18/2006	Arrest Time 08:12:00	Booking No 9291696	Book Date 11/18/2006	Book Time 08:12:00			
County Booking No 9291696	Status BOOKED	Arrest Location LONGFELLOW AV/THE STRAND							
City HERMOSA BCH	Rep Dist HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /	Beat 2	Fingerpt Taken? Yes	Mug? Yes	Place of Birth CALIFORNIA	City of Birth LOS ANGELES			
Charge 211PC	Level F	Charge Literal ROBBERY:FIRST DEGREE			Attempted? A				
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ARRESTEE 6: GODINEZ,

Involvement	Invl No	Type	Name	MNI		
ARRESTEE	6	Individual	GODINEZ, [REDACTED]	1729844		
Race	HISPANIC/MEXICAN/LATIN LiveScan OK		Sex	Date of Birth	Age	Juvenile?
			MALE	[REDACTED]	19	No
Involvement	Arrest Type	Arrest Date	Arrest Time	Status		
ARRESTED	ARRESTED	11/18/2006	02:08:00	BOOKED		
Arrest Location	LONGFELLOW AV/THE STRAND		City	Rep Dist	Beat	
			HERMOSA BCH	HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /	2	
Charge	Level	Charge Literal	Attempted?			
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VICTIM 1: K

Involvement	Invl No	Type	Name	MNI						
VICTIM	1	Individual	K [REDACTED]	901524						
Race	WHITE LiveScan OK		Sex	Date of Birth	Age	Juvenile?	Height	Weight	Hair Color	Eye Color
			MALE	[REDACTED]	40	No	6'00"	200#	Brown	BLUE
Means of Attack	HANDS, FEET AND FISTS (medical attention)/SIMPLE BATTERY (NON-MEDICAL ATTENTION)									
Dom Violence	NO									
Type	Address			City	State					
HOME	[REDACTED] HERMOSA AV			HERMOSA BCH	CALIFORNIA					
ZIP Code	90254									
Type	ID No	OLS								
OPERATOR LICENSE	[REDACTED]	CALIFORNIA								
Phone Type	Phone No	Phone Type	Phone No							
BUSINESS	[REDACTED]	HOME	[REDACTED]							

VICTIM 2: P

Involvement	Invl No	Type	Name	MNI	Race	
VICTIM	2	Individual	P [REDACTED]	1729833	OTHER ASIAN	
Sex	Date of Birth	Age	Juvenile?	Means of Attack		Dom Violence
FEMALE	[REDACTED]	35	No	SIMPLE BATTERY (NON-MEDICAL ATTENTION)		NO
Type	Address			City	State	
HOME	[REDACTED] PULLMAN LN			RED	CALIFORNIA	
ZIP Code	90278					
Type	ID No	OLS				
OPERATOR LICENSE	[REDACTED]	CALIFORNIA				
Phone Type	Phone No					
CELL	([REDACTED])					

Modus Operandi

Premise Type	Crime Code(s)
RESIDENTIAL-HOUSE	ROBBERY

Narrative

Arrest: On 11-18-06 at approximately 0208 hours, I arrested [REDACTED] Canales, [REDACTED] Chavez, [REDACTED] Godinez, [REDACTED] Melendez, and [REDACTED] Tobias for violation of 836(a)(3) / 664 /211 PC, attempted robbery. The arrest occurred at the intersection of Longfellow Avenue and The Strand in the city of Hermosa Beach.

Details: On 11-18-06 at 0119 hours I (Droz) #173 was dispatched to [REDACTED] Hermosa Avenue regarding a 459 PC, burglary in progress. Upon my arrival all suspect(s) had left the scene. I contacted the victims, [REDACTED] K [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] P [REDACTED]. K [REDACTED] told me that unknown

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suspect(s) had used a key to attempt to gain entry through the front door to his house. He prevented them from making entry and they left the area on foot heading northbound on Hermosa Avenue. He said there were approximately seven suspects and that they appeared to be young Hispanic males who had covered their faces with scarves and hoods.

I made a crime broadcast advising units of the above information. Within five minutes, Detective Cahalan #169 and Officer Smith found six subjects on the beach near Longfellow Avenue and The Strand. These subjects were detained for investigation, see supplemental report by Detective Cahalan.

I admonished K [redacted] and P [redacted] per the Simmons witness admonishment and then transported them to the intersection of Longfellow Avenue and The Strand. A field show up was conducted with the detained suspects. K [redacted] was positive that the suspect wearing the black shirt was the person who tried to unlock his front door. This suspect was later identified as [redacted] Canales. K [redacted] was also positive that the large male with the striped shirt was the person standing next to the suspect with the black shirt. This suspect was later identified as [redacted] Garcia. P [redacted] told me that she also recognized these two suspects.

After K [redacted] and P [redacted] identified the suspects, Detective Cahalan told me that Garcia was with [redacted] Godinez at the time he was detained, and that Canales was with [redacted] Chavez, [redacted] Melendez, and [redacted] Tobias when they were all detained at a separate location. Based on the positive identification of Canales and Garcia by K [redacted], the other suspects being in their presence when they were detained, and the number of suspects detained matching the approximate number of suspects observed at the time of the crime, I determined that all of the detained suspects were involved in the above crime. The circumstances surrounding the crime indicated that a coordinated group effort was used to gain access to the victim's residence, access was attempted by using a key to provide fast entry, the amount of suspects would have enabled the group to overpower the victims, and all of the suspects concealed their appearance with clothing or scarves. These details are consistent with execution of a home invasion robbery. Because I believed that these suspects intended to commit a home invasion robbery, I arrested them for violation of 836(a)(3) / 664 / 211 PC, attempted robbery. All suspects were then transported the HBPD jail.

I then transported K [redacted] and P [redacted] back to their residence. Officer Kansaku #161 interviewed [redacted] P [redacted], see attached supplemental report. I interviewed K [redacted] and he told me the following.

K [redacted] and his live-in girlfriend, P [redacted], were inside of his bedroom which is located near the front door to the residence. They were preparing to go to sleep. All of the lights were off and they were lying in bed. K [redacted] heard what sounded like a key unlocking his front door. He proceeded to his front door and saw that the deadbolt knob was starting to turn toward the unlocked position. K [redacted] grabbed the knob and prevented it from turning. He looked through the door's peephole and saw two males. He was unable to clearly see their faces, but remembered one male dressed in all black who appeared to be manipulating a door key. Another taller male was standing next to the first suspect, and this taller male covered the peephole with his hand. Prior to the peephole being covered, K [redacted] observed two more male suspects standing on 30th Street, behind the two suspects who were trying to gain entry. K [redacted] struggled to keep the deadbolt from unlocking for approximately three minutes. During this struggle, P [redacted] handed him a

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telephone and he called the police. The suspects then left the front door area. The peephole was now uncovered and K observed four males walking northbound on Hermosa Avenue. P told him that she might have counted seven suspects during the incident.

K does not know the suspects that he identified in the field show up and he does not know how anyone would have acquired a key to his front door. He told me that the last person who he gave a key to was his ex-girlfriend, G FWA 40 years old, but she had returned the key approximately two months ago. K and P are desirous of prosecution.

I checked the front door to the residence and did not see any signs of damage. I then checked the surrounding area for evidence and did not find any. Officer Sullivan #170 did a wider area check for evidence along Hermosa Avenue which produced negative results.

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LEWIS, WAYNE

Chief of Police:

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City HERMOSA BCH	ZIP Code 90254	Rep Dist HB2 /HB8 /HB9 /	From Date 11/18/2006	From Time 01:15	To Date 11/18/2006
Officer 10160/LEWIS, WAYNE		Assignment DETECTIVES	Entered by 10160	Assignment DETECTIVES	RMS Transfer Failed
Approving Officer 10140	Approval Date 11/21/2006	Approval Time 13:30:41			

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Details: On 11-18-06 at approximately 0900 hrs, I received a call from Detective Sgt. Heard informing me that there were six suspects in custody essentially for an attempt home invasion robbery. I arrived at the HYPD station a few minutes later and began my investigation. The following is essentially the results of my investigation:

Summary: I initially read the main reports and all supplementals, which in summary, stated that the victim heard a noise at his front door, looked through the peephole and saw about four M/H/A's standing at his front door, heard a key turn the lock, and called the police. His female friend informed the victim that there was up-to seven M/H/A's outside his front door. The police arrived shortly there after and six suspects were arrested.

Interviews: I spoke to victim [REDACTED] K [REDACTED] who essentially told me the following: K [REDACTED] said that he had just broken-up with his girlfriend of two and a half years [REDACTED] L [REDACTED], and said she was the only person who had a key to his home. K [REDACTED] said he did not see her outside his home but strongly believed she was involved somehow.

Detective Saylor and I interviewed suspect [REDACTED] Canales, who essentially told me the following: Canales said that he and his friends (the other in custodies) left a party in Santa Monica, bought some beer, and were coming to Hermosa to drink it on the beach. Canales said while they were all together in Hermosa "Some white lady came up to use and asked for some help." Canales said that she had a key and said she just saw her boyfriend/husband go into [REDACTED] Hermosa Avenue with another girl. Canales said that he could hear a male and female voices coming from the location. Canales said the "white lady" ask them to stand by while she went in side the home and retrieved some of her things. Canales said, " It sounded like a real story", and thought L [REDACTED] story was credible, so they agreed to help. Canales said that she attempted a few times to get into the home using the key but could not open the door. Canales said some of his friends thought the lock had been changed, but he said he thought someone was on the other side of the door blocking their entrance. After a few attempts all parties walked away. Canales said they then heard the sounds of police cars approaching, got scared, and ran.

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He said L got into her car with one of their friends (Alonzo) and they all ran towards the beach. Canales said they were all later arrested except for "Alonzo". I admonished Canales and then showed him DMV photos of six females. He looked at all six photos and then pointed at photo #1 and said, "It looks like her". He picked out L

I then called L and she agreed to come to the station and talk to me. Detective Saylor and I then interviewed L who essentially told use the following: L said that she was "very distraught and confused" over her very recent break-up with (victim) K. She said that because K had just purchased a new Land Rover vehicle for her, she decided it would be safer to watch what he was doing if she rented an unfamiliar looking car. So she did. L said on 11-18-06 at around 0030hrs, she saw (victim) K get out of his car with an unknown female and walk into his home at Hermosa Avenue. L said that she became extremely upset and was not thinking straight. L said she walked up to seven M/H/A's and began a conversation with them. She told them she had just seen her boyfriend walk into his house and she had had enough. L said she asked the men if they would stand by her while she went to the front door. L said she told the men she wanted to get some of her things and leave. L said they agreed to help. L said she then went to the door flanked by a couple of the M/H/A's (unknown which ones) and attempted to open the front door. L said there was very little light so she had to look close for the key hole. She said she met with resistance (K holding the dead blot from the inside), gave up and walked away. She said one of the men got into her car with her. L said some of the M/H/A's told her to leave because they could hear the police coming and she drove away. Once she was far enough away she let "Alonzo" out of her car and she said she drove home.

L also admitted she had been drinking that night.

I briefly interviewed three other suspects; Chavez, Garcia and Tobias. Each suspect was housed in separate cells in the Hermosa Beach jail. Each suspect told me essentially a repeat of Canales's statement.

Conclusion: Due to the lack of any evidence that a crime occurred, the victim's statements, the suspects' statements, and L statement I reach the conclusion that no crime did occurred and per penal code 849(b)(1) I released all six suspects.

Report by: Lewis 160
Detective Bureau
Date: 11-21-06

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