



NEWS RELEASE

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Arrest made in shooting investigation

Adams County, Colo. (October 31, 2020):

The Adams County Sheriff's Office report the arrest of a Welby man subsequent to a shooting investigation.

On October 30th, 2020 at approximately 10:04 p.m., deputies responded to a residence in the 2200 block of Coronado Parkway for a reported shooting. Upon arrival deputies encountered the victim in his vehicle. The vehicle had been struck by multiple rounds of gunfire, but the victim had not been struck. A preliminary investigation revealed that the victim drove to the residence to locate his spouse and became involved in an altercation with several adult males outside the residence. The victim attempted to flee but the group of men fired multiple rounds at the victim and his vehicle. The suspects then fled into a residence. Deputies attempted to make contact with the occupants of the residence, but they refused to comply. The ACSO Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) responded to the location and maintained a perimeter while detectives obtained a search warrant for the residence. ACSO SWAT subsequently executed the search warrant and made entry into the residence. All occupants were detained without incident. A search of the residence revealed multiple items of evidence including three large caliber handguns, ammunition, and high capacity magazines. One of the handguns was reported stolen from the City of Thornton in 2019. The primary suspect, Anthony Barrientos, was arrested and the following charges have been requested:

Anthony Barrientos, 23, of Welby

- Attempted Murder 1st degree, a class 2 felony
- Menacing, a class 5 felony
- 3 counts-Possession of a Weapon by a Previous Offender, a class 6 felony
- Theft (under \$1000)
- Protection Order Violation

The defendant is being held in the Adams County Detention Facility pending further court proceedings. The investigation is ongoing and additional persons may be charged.

The Adams County Sheriff's Office or North Metro Drug Task Force has determined that there is probable cause to make an arrest. The defendant(s) are presumed innocent until convicted in court. The 17th Judicial District (District Attorney) may decline to prosecute or refuse to file charges in this proceeding. Consequently, charges are often reduced, dropped or dismissed.

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