May 15, 2020 [FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE]

On May 15, 2020 at approximately 2:00 a.m., a Pueblo police officer located a stolen vehicle in the area of E. 4th Street and Reading Avenue. The sedan was occupied by a male driver and a female passenger. While the details of the incident are still under investigation, at some point the officer was dragged by the stolen vehicle as he contacted the suspects. The officer fired his handgun and struck both the driver and the passenger. The driver died at the scene and the passenger was transported to a local hospital. The passenger was listed as being in serious condition as of the drafting of this press release. The officer was transported to a local hospital with minor injuries, and will be placed on administrative leave per standard protocol.

The Tenth Judicial District Critical Incident Team was activated and initiated an investigation.

The identity of the deceased male will be released by the Pueblo County Coroner’s Office at a later time.

This incident marks the Pueblo Police Department’s third officer-involved shooting of 2020.

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