

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

Date: April 1, 2024

I, Detective Sergeant Brian Salerno, an Investigator with the Osage Beach Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true.

1. I, Brian Salerno have probable cause to believe that Fernando Zell Hutchinson of [REDACTED] Osage Beach, MO 65065 committed the following criminal offense(s).
2. The facts supporting this belief are as follows;
3. On 03-31-24, at approximately 2032 hours, Osage Beach Police were called to the parking lot of [REDACTED] for a shooting victim in the parking lot.
4. On arrival, Officers found a subject shot in the chest who was later identified as [REDACTED]. Medical assistance began and Officers asked [REDACTED] who shot [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] didn't know. [REDACTED] was shot in the chest. [REDACTED] was able to say that [REDACTED] was at the scene with someone named "Mike" who was later identified as [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said in an interview that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were at the [REDACTED] parking lot "hanging out". [REDACTED] said a male subject came up to their vehicle, reached in, grabbed something, and ran away. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] ran after the male, North, towards [REDACTED] apartments. [REDACTED] said they turned East running behind the [REDACTED] apartments. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] stayed on the South side of [REDACTED] running East, while [REDACTED] went to the North side of [REDACTED] chasing the male. [REDACTED] heard several gunshots and later saw [REDACTED] who was bleeding walking up from behind [REDACTED] Southbound and [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] "He shot me".
5. The investigation identified that the scene extended from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] had video surveillance footage that showed 3 [REDACTED] run from the Northwest part of their property towards the units of 12 through 16. Several shots ring out on the video. Then another male, wearing a light-colored hoodie, and dark pants, runs from the field North of the [REDACTED] property and heads towards the units of 12 through 16. The subject falls and a distinct sound of a metallic object scraping against the cement can be heard on the tape. The subject goes into room 12. The subject leaves room 12 and goes into room 15.
6. Dispatch received a phone call from the [REDACTED] of Fernando Hutchinson, who said [REDACTED] was involved in a shooting, asking if he was in custody.
7. The 3 subjects from unit 12 were interviewed post-Miranda. The first interview was [REDACTED] who said [REDACTED], Fernando Hutchinson, and juvenile [REDACTED] were smoking when Fernando Hutchinson said he was going to get some weed. [REDACTED] said they watched as Fernando Hutchinson ran from the other subjects. [REDACTED] said they all three went to [REDACTED] apartment, which is unit 12. [REDACTED] heard gunshots and then saw Fernando Hutchinson bursting through their door and falling down. [REDACTED] said Fernando Hutchinson dropped a Glock-type pistol on the ground when [REDACTED] fell. [REDACTED] said Fernando Hutchinson stated, [REDACTED] got too close to me". [REDACTED] said that made [REDACTED] think Fernando Hutchinson shot the other [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] kicked Hutchinson and juvenile [REDACTED] out of [REDACTED] apartment at that time. [REDACTED] believed Hutchinson and [REDACTED] went to Hutchinson's apartment, number 15.

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8. The next post-Miranda interview was [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are [REDACTED] [REDACTED] could not see very well, and had just had eye surgery and could not tell the interviewer was wearing a hat only a few feet away. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] Hutchinson, and [REDACTED] were smoking. [REDACTED] said Hutchinson said [REDACTED] was going to get some weed. [REDACTED] said they saw Hutchinson running from a [REDACTED] and the three went back to unit 12. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] next heard a gunshot and then saw Fernando Hutchinson burst into unit 12, dropping a gun when Hutchinson fell. [REDACTED] kicked Hutchinson and [REDACTED] out of the house.
9. The next post-Miranda interview was with [REDACTED] who initially wanted a lawyer, but later came back to provide an interview as a witness with [REDACTED] present. [REDACTED] told the interviewer that Fernando Hutchinson planned to steal a [REDACTED] weed. [REDACTED] said Hutchinson asked for [REDACTED] pistol so [REDACTED] gave Hutchinson [REDACTED] pistol, not thinking Hutchinson was going to do anything with it. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] saw Hutchinson running from a [REDACTED] so [REDACTED] ran back to the apartment with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] heard a gunshot or two and then saw Fernando Hutchinson burst into the apartment, fell down, and dropped the gun. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] and Fernando were kicked out of [REDACTED] apartment and went back to Hutchinson's apartment. [REDACTED] knew Hutchinson had the gun when they left [REDACTED] apartment. At Hutchinson's apartment [REDACTED] said Hutchinson told [REDACTED] that he shot the [REDACTED] chasing him. [REDACTED] said they never left until police arrived so the gun must be in Hutchinson's apartment, number 15.
10. Hutchinson said he wanted a lawyer before any questioning.
11. When found, Hutchinson was the only one wearing dark pants and was wearing a shirt that read, "Active Shooter".
12. A single shell casing of a 9mm caliber was found in the field, North of [REDACTED] This is the approximate location of the shooting, which is located at [REDACTED] In the City of Osage Beach, County of Camden, State of Missouri.
13. Video surveillance footage from [REDACTED] showed the four subjects talking about stealing from the [REDACTED]. Video footage showed Hutchinson heading to [REDACTED] then running away with someone in chase. The video shows 3 subject go into unit 12. The video has audio that clearly captured two shots. The video showed a male wearing the light colored hoodie running out of the North field behind [REDACTED] however when the video changes to color vision from night vision, the hoodie is black colored, matching what Hutchinson was found to be wearing.
14. [REDACTED] died on 04-01-24 of his injuries.
15. Hutchinson has a criminal history of Burglary and Stealing a motor vehicle, on or about 03-20-23 In Camden County, but no convictions at this time. Hutchinson attempted to flee and later turned himself in on that case of Burglary and stealing MV.



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