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CITY OF GARDENA STATEMENT ON KENNETH ROSS INCIDENT

[Gardena, CA, – December 14, 2018] On April 11, 2018, just after two o'clock in the afternoon, Gardena Police were called to reports of shots fired near the intersection of Van Ness Avenue and El Segundo Boulevard. This shooting occurred in broad daylight in a high traffic area near a middle school, public park and golf course, in wanton disregard for public safety.

Upon arriving at the scene, officers spotted the suspect, Kenneth Ross, Jr., running southbound on Van Ness Avenue. Multiple witnesses identified Mr. Ross as being responsible for the earlier shooting. When officers came in contact with Mr. Ross, and an officer-involved shooting occurred. A gun was found at the scene.

The Los Angeles District Attorney's Office and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department are currently handling the investigations in this case.

The City and Police Department are aware of the lawsuit filed by the family of Mr. Ross and due to pending litigation cannot discuss this case any further. Our thoughts remain with the family of Mr. Ross, our Officers and the community during this difficult time.



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