

WALNUT CREEK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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June 5, 2019 Statement from Chief of Police Thomas Chaplin

As Chief of Police, I want to acknowledge the tragic incident that occurred on Sunday, June 2, Arlene Lane, where a confrontation between our officers and a young man resulted in his unfortunate death. My heart goes out to the family of Miles Hall as this was an outcome nobody wanted to have happen.

The Contra Costa County District Attorney's office is conducting an investigation, and we have our own internal investigation underway as well. We expect to release more details, including video from the encounter, within the next couple of weeks. We are committed to transparency surrounding this event.

With the active investigation underway, there is little more that I can share right now. On behalf of the Walnut Creek Police Department, and the officers involved in the incident and the investigation, we are all deeply saddened by what happened. We will continue to have a dialogue with the community as more information becomes available.