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NEWS RELEASE

The City's 12th Traffic Fatality

Date: 01/27/2020
Time: 6:58 pm
Location: 8500 Dyer

Vehicle 1: 2002 Ford Expedition
Driver: Unknown

Passenger: 44 –year old Bernadette Esquivel of 8300 block of Comet, El Paso, TX

Vehicle 2: 2002 Ford Econoline

Driver: 62 –year old Hilario Sarmiento of the 10200 block of Angel Falls, El Paso, TX

On 01/27/2020, officers with the Northeast Regional Command Center responded to investigate an accident involving two vehicles. Officers learned Hilario Sarmiento was driving westbound on Tetons at Diana, after stopping at a stop sign. The unknown driver was southbound on Diana and disregarded the four way stop sign. The 2002 Ford Expedition driven by the unknown driver collided into the 2002 Ford Econoline. The front passenger of the Expedition, 44 –year old Bernadette Esquivel, reported minor injuries at the scene and was transported to a local hospital. On 02/13/2020, officers with the Special Traffic Investigations Unit were advised by the Medical Examiners' Office Esquivel succumbed to injuries she sustained as a result of the accident. The investigation is on-going at this time.

This is the 12th fatality of 2020, compared to 5 at this time last year.

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