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Date: 8/20/15

Type of Incident: Pursuit Report Number: 15-142354

Reporting Deputy: Ryan Cavanaugh Supervisor Approval: Sgt Deanna Lude

On 8/20/15 at 0145 hrs, deputies were in the parking lot of the E Z Mart, located at 3623 Alpine Ave NW when a vehicle entered the lot, peeled out, did a 360 in the middle of Alpine, and then hit a curb. Deputy Cavanaugh attempted to initiate a stop on the vehicle but the driver did not stop. The vehicle led deputies on a low speed pursuit from the Alpine location to the Sheriff's Department parking lot where it looked like the pursuit was going to end.

While in the Sheriff's Department complex, the suspect vehicle stopped momentarily, but started up again and crashed into one of the police cars involved in the pursuit, damaging the car. The pursuit continued into Kentwood where Kentwood Police assisted with deploying stop sticks. The suspect vehicle hit the stop sticks and came to a stop shortly thereafter. The driver was a 32 year old male from Kentwood, who was off his medications at the time of this incident. He was arrested on charges of Flee & Elude, Resist & Oppose a police officer and MDOP police property.

There were no injuries to either the officers or the suspect.