

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Strong-Arm Robbery Arrest

Location: Ventura Ave. and El Medio St

Date/Time Occurred: 1/15/17 @ 0212 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Victim: Michael Tweet, 29 yr old Ventura Resident

Suspect(s): William Marin, 27 year old Ventura Resident

Unknown Hispanic Male

Report #: 17-00649

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call of a fight in the area of El Medio St and Ventura Ave. The witness reported Tweet was being attacked by two males who had gotten out of a car. Officers arrived on scene as one of the suspects, Marin, got back into the car and attempted to flee the area in the vehicle. Officers followed and Marin parked the car and then fled on foot. After a short foot pursuit, Marin was taken into custody.

During the investigation, officers learned the victim and witness were standing together in a driveway when Marin and the second suspect pulled up, exited the vehicle and demanded Tweet's property. When Tweet refused, both subjects attacked him, striking and kicking Tweet. Tweet attempted to defend himself, but Marin was able to get Tweet's property before fleeing in the vehicle. Marin is also associated to the Ventura Avenue Street gang and it was determined that the crime was gang related.

Officers checked the area, but were unable to locate the second suspect. The victim sustained minor injuries as a result of this crime and was treated at the scene by Fire and AMR. Marin was arrested for Robbery with Gang Enhancements as well as Resisting Arrest.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact the Ventura Police Department at 339-4488. An anonymous tip can be made by calling Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

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