

Key West Police Department

Case 25005830

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Status	Approved
Report Type	Patrol
Primary Officer	Aaron Dixon
Investigator	None
Reported At	11/24/25 05:39
Incident Date	11/24/25 05:39
Incident Code	S49 : Medical Assist - PD/FD Response
Location	ELIZABETH ST / DEY ST, KEY WEST, FL 33040
Zone	Zone 2
Beat	B3
Disposition	4. Cleared as Arrest
Disposition Date/Time	11/25/25 16:44
Review for Gang Activity	None

Offense Information

Offense	LOITERING OR PROWLING
Statute	856.021
NIBRS Code	90B - Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations
Counts	1
Date	Between 11/24/25 and 11/24/25
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	Yes
Details	Offender(s) Used Drugs
Bias Motivation	None (no bias)
Location	Highway/Road/Alley/Street/Sidewalk
Entry Forced	No

Offense	RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O VIOLENCE
Statute	843.02
NIBRS Code	90Z - All Other Offenses
Counts	1
Date	11/24/25
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	Yes
Bias Motivation	None (no bias)
Location	Highway/Road/Alley/Street/Sidewalk
Entry Forced	No

Arrestee

STONG, MATTHEW JAMES

Male, DOB 7/5/87

807 E JUNEAU AVE # 38
MILWAUKEE, WI 53202

856.021 - LOITERING OR PROWLING
843.02 - RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O
VIOLENCE

Other

TIERNEY, MICHAEL LAWRENCE S, S

Male, DOB 8/2/67

1922 HARRIS AVE
KEY WEST, FL 33040

(305) 296-4890 Home
(941) 315-3234 Cell

Reporter: 856.021 - LOITERING OR PROWLING

Original Narrative By Aaron Dixon, 11/24/25 07:59

On Monday November 24th at approximately 0545, Officer Michal Brabc and I Officer Aaron Dixon were dispatched to a call of a suspicious person in the vicinity of Rick's Bar, 202 Duval St.

KWPD dispatch advised, Michael Tierney (Rick's and Dirty Harry's manager) called to report a male subject in the area attempting to gain access to closed businesses. Michael added, the subject appeared to have a rock in his hand.

Michael later told Officer Brabc over the phone, that the subject was banging on the Rick's Downstairs door as well as kicking it. Michael and the Rick's cleaning crew told the subject to leave only for him to come back approximately 20 minutes later. This time the subject was armed with a large rock. Michael stated he did not see the subject use the rock to gain entry anywhere but he attempted to gain access to several businesses on Duval St (including but not limited to Irish Kevins, Fit to Run, Green House, Sloppy Joes, Red Garter and Rick's). Michael told Officer Brabc, the subject stated he was looking for his backpack.

Upon arrival, Officer Brabc was flagged down by a Sysco deliver driver at the corner of Duval St. and Caroline St. The driver stated there was a white male subject walking around that appeared to be heavily under the influence of alcohol and/or controlled substance. The driver described the subject to be a white male, wearing a hat and a red t-shirt.

Officer Brabc continued traveling northbound on Duval St until flagged down by the reporting party in front of 202 Duval St. Mike stated the subject was last seen walking outbound on Greene St. and Mike thought the subject made a right turn on Ann St. Officer Brabc searched the area but did not locate the subject.

Officer Esteban Andrade located the subject near the area of Elizabeth St and Lazy Way Lane.

The following is what Officer Andrade stated in his supplemental report:

"Ofc Brabc and I proceeded east on Green St. Ofc Brabc turned south onto Ann St, and I continued east on Greene St looking for the suspect. I then turned south onto Elizabeth St. I saw Matthew, a white male who was wearing a red shirt and grey shorts, walking south on Green St on the east sidewalk. Matthew turned to look behind him, and upon seeing my patrol vehicle instantly began to flee. Matthew ran south on Elizabeth St. and I parked my patrol vehicle, exited, and ordered Matthew to stop identifying myself as police. Matthew slowed for a moment, and I activated my BWC. Matthew walked hurriedly, continuing south on Elizabeth St. I again ordered him to stop, warning that otherwise he would be tased. Matthew then turned the corner (east) onto Lazy Way Ln and proceeded to sprint away from me. I deployed my Taser, hitting Matthew in the back. Matthew continued fleeing and I radioed the foot pursuit, our location, and the taser deployment. Matthew then turned north after passing the first building on the north side, then rounded the building heading west. I deployed my Taser again, hitting again hitting him in the back, but Matthew continued fleeing.

Mathew then made it back to Elizabeth St. At this point I caught up to him and performed a controlled take-down with Matthew hitting the ground on his left side. Matthew resisted me and tried to get away; I engaged my Taser again during the brief struggle. I was able to pin Matthew down and prevent him from getting up. I ordered Matthew to roll onto his stomach several times, but Matthew refused to comply." (S.I.C.)

Officer Brabc arrived on scene and placed the subject (later identified as Matthew Stong, DOB 07/05/1987) in handcuffs and placed him in the back of his patrol vehicle.

While in the vehicle, Stong told Officer Brabc that he was under the influence of amphetamines and other controlled substance. Stong stated he took methamphetamine salts, along with cocaine and Adderall.

Based on his actions and witness statements provided, I believed there was probable cause for Stong's arrest for violation of the following:

856.021, Fla. Stat. LOITERING OR PROWLING

1. Stong loitered or prowled in a place, at a time, or in a manner not usual for law-abiding individuals.
2. Such loitering and prowling was under circumstances that warranted justifiable and reasonable alarm or immediate concern for safety of persons or property in the vicinity.
3. Stong fled on sight of law enforcement.

843.02, Fla. Stat. RESISTING AN OFFICER WITHOUT VIOLENCE

1. Stong resisted Officer Andrade.
2. At the time, Officer Andrade was engaged in the lawful execution of a legal duty.
3. At the time, Officer Andrade was an officer of Key West Police Department. Andrade was operating a KWPD marked patrol vehicle and was dressed in a class B uniform with a badge and patched clearly displayed. Officer Andrade verbally identified himself as well.
4. At the time, Stong knew Officer Andrade was an officer of KWPD.

I placed Stong under arrest.

Stong was cleared by the responding KWFD Rescue and later taken to the Lower Keys Medical Center for additional clearance.

Upon a clearance from LKMC, I transported Stong to the Monroe County Detention Center without incident.

My AXON body worn camera was activated.

Officer Brabc's AXON body worn camera as well as AXON Fleet (in-car) camera were activated.

Nothing further.

Supplemental Narrative By Ivan Golovanov, 11/24/25 06:27

On 11/24/2025 at approximately 0600 hours, I, Officer Golovanov, arrived at the intersection of Elizabeth Street and Lazy Way Lane to assist Ofc. Brabc and Ofc. Andrade.

Upon my arrival, I observed Ofc. Brabc and Ofc. Andrade was standing with the subject (Matthew J. Stong, DOB: 07/05/1987), who was sitting on the ground. Matthew was tased by Ofc. Andrade, so I assist with removing a probe from Matthew's right buttock.

I placed all probes and wires in an evidence bag and gave it to Ofc. Brablc for further processing.

My BWC was activated during the incident and uploaded to Evidence.com.

That concludes my involvement in this incident.

Supplemental Narrative By Esteban Andrade, 11/24/25 07:22

On Monday, November 24, 2025, at approximately 0548 hours, I (Ofc Andrade) responded as a backup officer to the 200-block area of Duval St, reference possible criminal mischief.

Key West Communication Channel One advised that a white male wearing a red shirt and gray pants was walking around the area checking the doors of various businesses while carrying a rock in his hand.

As I arrived at the corner of Duval St and Green St, I saw an unknown male speaking to Ofc Brablc (who was in the patrol car directly in front of me). This male pointed east on Greene St, saying that was the suspects last known direction of travel.

Ofc Brablc and I proceeded east on Green St. Ofc Brablc turned south onto Ann St, and I continued east on Greene St looking for the suspect. I then turned south onto Elizabeth St. I saw Matthew, a white male who was wearing a red shirt and gray shorts, walking south on Green St on the east sidewalk. Matthew turned to look behind him, and upon seeing my patrol vehicle instantly began to flee. Matthew ran south on Elizabeth St and I parked my patrol vehicle, exited, and ordered Matthew to stop identifying myself as police. Matthew slowed for a moment, and I activated my BWC. Matthew walked hurriedly, continuing south on Elizabeth St. I again ordered him to stop, warning that otherwise he would be Tased. Matthew then turned the corner (east) onto Lazy Way Ln and proceeded to sprint away from me. I deployed my Taser, hitting Matthew in the back. Matthew continued fleeing and I radioed the foot pursuit, our location, and the Taser deployment. Matthew then turned north after passing the first building on the north side, then rounded the building heading west. I deployed my Taser again, hitting again hitting him in the back, but Matthew continued fleeing.

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Ofc Brablc arrived on scene moments later and placed Matthew into handcuffs and we sat him up. Ofc Golovanov arrived on scene and located one probe still attached to Matthew and removed it. I collected another probe on Elizabeth St. Ofc Golovanov stayed with Matthew while I walked the area attempting to locate the other Taser probes. I found the other two Taser probes in the area where I Tased Matthew the second time. Ofc Golovanov took custody of the probes and the expelled cartridges.

Sgt Sims arrived on scene, and I explained to him what happened. Key West Rescue then arrived on scene and attended to Matthew. A woman in the area, Bernadette, approached and advised us that she had witnessed my interaction with Matthew. Sgt Sims obtained her full name and phone number. I then left the scene shortly thereafter.

My BWC was submitted to Evidence.com and my Taser battery was placed into the docking station for download.

End of Supplemental Report.