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Shooting Incident at 5250 4th Street North (Hiro’s Tokyo Steakhouse)

At approximately 12:00 am this morning, officers responded to Hiro’s Tokyo Steakhouse to a call of persons shot during a brawling.

Upon arrival, officer observed a crowd beginning to disperse and one person was taken into custody who had damaged two vehicles with a baseball bat. The arrested suspect was identified as Aron T. Headley, DOB 10/13/94. He was charged with two counts of felony criminal mischief.

Shell casings were found at the scene and officers learned that one gunshot victim, an eighteen year old female, had already been transported to Bayfront Medical Center Hospital by friends. A second victim, a twenty year old male, was located at the Exxon Gas Station at 6201 4th Street North, awaiting fire rescue.

Both victim’s sustained non-life threatening injuries and were later released from the hospital.

We will be withholding the victim’s identities pending further investigation.

Based on preliminary witness statements it appears that a group of individuals arrived at the restaurant with the intention of brawling with another group. It’s not clear at this point what prompted the animosity between the two groups, but according to witnesses it initial stemmed from a fight at the restaurant the previous night involving either restaurant staff or their associates.

Both groups met in the back parking lot, but before a physical fight could ensue, one individual who described as a black male, produced a handgun and began shooting indiscriminately amongst the crowd.

A second subject, described as an Asian male, may have also produced and handgun and also began firing as well.

Detectives are still following up on witness’s statements and attempting to identify the suspects involved.

At this point it has not been determined whether either group has any gang affiliations or not.

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