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Updated Information on the Officer Shooting

Sunday at 6pm, Austin Lee Goodner, age 18, rode past Norman Seibert, who was also on a bike, on Coffee Pot Blvd. They exchanged words and Goodner took out his handgun and fired a shot, striking Seibert in the arm. Officers responded to this scene and from the description of the gunman and prior contact, they determined it may be Goodner.

At 6:45pm, three officers drove to Goodner's last known address, 5236 Robin Lane N., and approached the home. The parents were home and said Goodner was not there. About that time, Officer Matthew Enhoffer saw an armed Goodner approach the backyard. Officer Enhoffer confronted him and said Goodner pointed the gun at him. Officer Enhoffer fired twice, but Goodner retreated. It is not known if Goodner was struck at this point.

By that time the other officers came around the side of the house. Goodner fired and struck Officer Michael Cordiviola in the leg. Officer Cordiviola fired back four times at Goodner. Officer Brian Lynch dragged Officer Cordiviola to safety.

Officer Enhoffer again confronted Goodner and told him to drop the gun. Goodner is heard repeatedly calling for officers to end his life. Goodner then fired his gun at Officer Enhoffer. Officer Enhoffer returned fire and struck Goodner. Goodner was declared dead at Bayfront Health.

Goodner had been arrested several times before and had a history of mental health issues. It is not known where he obtained the gun. We have not determined how many shots he fired.
Officer Cordiviola is recovering at Bayfront Health and is doing well this morning. He has been a St. Petersburg officer for 10 years and is also an Army Reservist.

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Officers Lynch and Enhoffer are on paid administrative leave during the investigation. Officer Enhoffer was sworn in 2010, resigned in 2013, and recently returned to the dept this year. Officer Lynch was sworn in 2010.