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Veh vs Tractor Trailer

At 5:41 A.M. an 18 wheeler tractor trailer, driven by Stanoja Mitrovic DOB 6-7-56 of Iowa, headed south on 42nd St. N came to a stop on 38th Ave North, then proceeded to make a left hand turn to go Eastbound on 38th Ave N. A 2003 Honda Civic, driven by Dante Robert Acquarolo DOB 8-3-90 of St. Petersburg, was headed Westbound on 38th Ave N. and was unable to avoid the truck.

The Honda was wedged under the trailer of the truck and was dragged for a short distance. Acquarolo died at the scene.

The pavement was wet from overnight rain and it was still dark, but investigators can't definitively say whether weather was a factor.

The intersection was closed for 5 hours for the investigation.

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Fatal Accident Vehicle VS Tractor Trailer

At 5:55 a vehicle and tractor trailer truck collided at 38th Ave N. and 40th St. One man died in the collision.

The intersection will remain closed to traffic for several hours for the investigation. This is near New Heights Elementary. Parents and students should approach the school from the East.