



# St. Petersburg Police News Release



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Update: Fatal Pedestrian Crash 3500 block of 49th St. N., January 9, 2017

The victim is identified as Richard Allan Palmer, DOB 1-20-60. He has no known permanent address.

Also, originally a witness told us a white SUV had struck the pedestrian and fled the scene, then a 2nd car struck him and that driver stopped.

After carefully analyzing all the evidence, including video from surveillance cameras in the area, traffic investigators were able to determine that the 1st SUV swerved, but never hit the pedestrian. In fact, the 2nd driver who stopped to render aid, was the one who actually struck the victim. There was no hit and run after all.

The driver will not face criminal charges, however the investigation is still ongoing.

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Date / Time of Release: 01/10/2017 0300 hours Report Number: 2017-001590

Incident: Delayed Fatal Pedestrian Hit and Run Crash (#2)

Location: 3500 block of 49th Street North

Date / Time of Incident: 01/09/2017 2237 hours

Synopsis: For an unknown reason, a transient pedestrian was seated in the northbound median lane, near the double yellow lines of 49th Street North in the 3500 block. As the eyewitness was slowing to block the roadway, a light-colored, full-sized SUV, that was northbound on 49th Street, struck the pedestrian. The SUV slowed momentarily, then sped off, northbound on 49th Street. While the witness was on the phone with 911, a second northbound vehicle, a 2014 Chevrolet four door, being driven by Alma Moulton also struck the pedestrian. Moulton stayed at the scene and also called 911. The pedestrian was transported to Humana Northside and was pronounced deceased at 2313 hours. The vehicle was described as a white or silver full sized sport

utility vehicle, possibly a Chevrolet Tahoe or similar vehicle. The vehicle should have damage to the left front corner of the vehicle. Anyone with information about the crash or the vehicle is being asked to contact the St Petersburg Police Department at 727-893-7780.

Next of Kin Notified: No, not at the time of the press release.

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For more information, please contact the St. Petersburg Police Public Information Office at 727-893-7550 during normal business hours; weekdays from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.