DATE: April 19, 2017
INCIDENT: Homicide
CASE #: 17-1059

The Fairbanks Police Department held a Press Briefing today at 1:30 pm in reference to the April 4, 2017 Homicide of JOSE A. SIFUENTES-MORALES.

The briefing was aired on Facebook Live.

Fairbanks Police Detectives are seeking the public’s assistance in identifying a person of interest in the homicide of JOSE SIFUENTES-MORALES, aka “SHORTY” that occurred just after midnight on the 4th of April in the 100 block of 3rd Avenue.

An autopsy has confirmed that MR. SIFUENTES-MORALES died as the result of a gunshot wound.

Surveillance video captured this unknown person walking with MR. SIFUENTES-MORALES prior to the homicide. This video was captured by surveillance camera from an undisclosed business on the Old Steese Highway.

The individual appears to be wearing a jacket with a hood, ball cap and pants that have a reflective striping on both sides near the bottom. The video has been forwarded to the FBI for enhancement.

Detectives are also looking to speak with the occupants of a 2006-2013 Chevrolet Impala that was seen in the area prior to the homicide. We believe the occupants may have seen or heard something that could be relevant to the investigation. This vehicle appears to have a small spoiler on the trunk.

If the person in the video looks familiar either by their clothing or the way they walk, if you recognize the vehicle, or if you have information in general about this homicide, please contact us.

We would like to say thank you to the businesses and residents that have provided surveillance video. If we have not already contacted you and you have any video from that area, please contact us.

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