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A Travis County Grand Jury has concluded its review of the officer involved shooting of Jamarl Tyler by Austin Police Department (APD) officers Michael Decker, Cecil Jones and Cory Knop, and has declined to issue any indictments against the officers.

On the afternoon of October 18th, 2013, several APD officers responded to a shooting on Quail Ridge Drive. Timothy Dooley, a resident at that address, had been working in his backyard when Tyler shot him in the leg. Dooley gave officers a description of Tyler while Decker, Jones, Knop and others began to set up a perimeter. Responding paramedics noticed a man holding a rifle and struggling with a woman inside the fenced-in courtyard in front of a house on Cripple Creek Drive, the house behind Dooley's, and notified the officers on scene.

A gunshot was heard from the direction of the Cripple Creek address and seconds later Tyler emerged from the courtyard with a rifle in his hands running toward the officers. Officers gave commands to Tyler to drop the rifle, but he did not. Instead, he pointed it in the direction of police. In response, Officers Decker, Jones and Knop all fired. Tyler was struck in the chest and fell to the ground. He was taken into custody without further incident and has since recovered from his injuries. Tyler subsequently pleaded guilty to one count of aggravated assault on a peace officer and is currently serving eight years of deferred adjudication probation.

The Grand Jury heard approximately seven hours of testimony from nine witnesses.

Press packets containing documents, audio and video related to the incident are available on the 2nd floor of the District Attorney's Office, located at the Criminal Justice Center, 509 West 11th Street.

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