



PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Media Relations Unit

Office: 713-920-7970 · Dispatch: 713-477-1221

Media Release

April 21, 2022

Former Pasadena Police Officer Charged with DWI

On April 14, 2022, this department received information that Officer Elias Vega had been involved in a collision while off-duty and in his personally owned vehicle while traveling inside the city limits of Houston, Texas. Vega's vehicle struck a Houston Police Department unit that was investigating another incident in the 6000 block of the Sam Houston Parkway frontage road. The Houston Police Department immediately began conducting an inquiry into the crash, during which Vega was placed on administrative duty pending further information from the Houston Police Department's investigation.

On April 20, 2022, Vega tendered his resignation, thereby ending his employment with the Pasadena Police Department, effective immediately. Vega had been with the department since July of 2019 and was assigned to the patrol division prior to his resignation. Following his resignation, we were notified that Vega has been charged with the offense of Driving While Intoxicated.

###