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### Update: July 5 Homicide Investigation

Tacoma, Wash. – On July 5, just before 4:00 a.m., a male called 911 to report he had arrived home in the 1000 block of Pierce St. to find his two female roommates, aged 31 and 34, unresponsive. The two females were declared deceased on scene by the Tacoma Fire Department. Tacoma detectives and forensic officers responded to the scene. A male roommate, Erik Larson, was not located at the scene and his whereabouts were not known at that time.

The females were later identified by the Pierce County Medical Examiner as Jonna Hart and Megan Re. The Medical Examiner's report ruled the females' deaths as homicides.

Just before 1:00 p.m. on July 5, King County Sheriff's Department advised the Tacoma Police Department that a deceased male had been found in the water off Vashon Island. The male was transported to the King County Medical Examiner's office and was later identified as Erik Larson.

Tacoma officers responded to the area of the Tacoma Narrows Bridge on July 5 at 1:30 p.m. and located a black Jeep registered to one of the deceased females, Jonna Hart, parked nearby at N. 10<sup>th</sup> and Juniper.

The Pierce County Medical Examiner requested the case be transferred from the King County Medical Examiner's office to their office. The Pierce County Medical Examiner has ruled Erik Larson's death as suicide.

Erik Larson is being investigated as the suspect in the homicides of Jonna Hart and Megan Re.

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