

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICES 255 CAST MAIN STREET WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT 06702



Fernando Spagnolo Chief of Police John D. Napiello
Deputy Chief of Police

Daniel R. Ferrucci
Deputy Chief of Police

September 7, 2022

To the Honorable Members of the Connecticut Liquor Control Commission:

I am writing this follow up letter in response to a request for more information on the two incidents that occurred at Lit Ultra Lounge located at 483 West Main Street, Waterbury. Please see more detailed information below:

On 02/12/22 just before 0100 hrs. multiple patrol units were dispatched to Lit Lounge located at 483 West Main Street for a report of shots fired. Responding officers were advised that one male party sustained gunshot wounds and was inside the bar. Officers located the victim, Marquis Morrison 11/18/85, head of security, in the back of the bar suffering from gunshot wounds to his left forearm and right foot. Patrol officers located approximately 24 shell casings outside of the bar in the roadway and on the sidewalk. Detectives spoke to bar security who stated that they had to remove a large group of patrons from the bar due to a disturbance. Security had to forcibly hold the door closed to prevent the group from reentering the bar. It was at this point that one of the patrons displayed a firearm and began firing into the bar, striking Morrison. It should be noted that there were two different caliber casings located on scene. This investigation remains open at this time.

On Call detectives were called in for a shooting that occurred at the Lit Lounge located on West Main Street early Saturday morning on 09/03/22. Responding officers located one male party who sustained multiple gunshots wounds inside the club. The male was later identified as Adam Bellamy 03/25/84. Bellamy was transported to St. Mary's Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Two other individuals' sustained non-life threatening gunshot injuries as well while inside the club. Those victims were identified as Samantha Wilson 04/29/90 and Edvan Cruz 03/27/87. Both were treated and released from the hospital. Detectives executed a search warrant at the club and recovered one firearm. Detectives interviewed the security officers and club promoter who all provided statements as well. It should be noted that both the security officers and the promoter were all armed. A rap artist from Jersey City was preforming at the club during the incident. The artist was recently released from prison for a homicide case. The deceased resides in Jersey City as well. Social media posts capturing inside the club at the time of the shooting were collected. The bar does not have a surveillance system that is operational. The investigation continues.

Respectfully,

Fernando C. Spagnolo, Chief of Police