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Bicycle Officers Arrest Suspect after Short Foot Pursuit

Seal Beach, CA – Seal Beach bicycle patrol officers arrested a man who led other officers on a short foot chase. The bicycle officers apprehended the suspect in an alleyway near Main Street. On May 25, 2019, around 5:25 p.m., a Seal Beach police officer saw a man walking in the Old Town neighborhood drinking from an open container of alcohol. When the officer tried to detain the man, the man fled on foot and ran away from the officer. The officer immediately radioed this information to other officers in the area.

Community Oriented Policing Team Officers Bruno Balderrama and Victor Ruiz heard the call for help and immediately rode to the area where the man was last seen. The bicycle officers saw a man running down an alleyway who matched the description

broadcasted by the pursuing officer. They quickly rode toward the man and detained him.

The bicycle officers placed the man under arrest. He was identified as Eclesiastes Dominguez, 21, of El Monte, CA. Officers found narcotics in his possession. He also had outstanding warrants issued for his arrest out of Los Angeles County with bail amounts over \$1,000,000. One of the felony warrants was for a kidnapping.

Dominguez was charged with resisting or delaying a peace officer, possession of narcotics, and the outstanding warrants. He was later booked at the Orange County Jail.

Officers Balderrama and Ruiz are assigned to the newly created Community Oriented Policing Team. They will be primarily focused on keeping residents and visitors safe in the busy downtown and beach areas this summer.

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