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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Robbery

Date: 05/04/2010

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Case #: 100504-016 and 100504-021

Summary:

On 05/04/2010, the Juneau Police Department received two separate reports of possible purse snatchings in the downtown area.

The first incident occurred at approximately 4:05 pm. In essence, the Juneau Police Department received a report that a woman had her purse grabbed from her person while walking in the 200 block of Seward Street. The suspect was described as a white male adult, between 25-30 years old, with stringy reddish brown hair, a small beard, and wearing a dark jacket and blue jeans. After grabbing the purse the male ran away towards 4th Street. The purse and contents were valued at approximately \$200.00. Juneau Police officer searched the area and the male was not located.

The second incident occurred at approximately 7:10 pm. In essence, the Juneau Police Department received multiple reports that a man had stolen a woman's purse from her person while walking in the 100 block of N. Franklin Street. The suspect pushed the female victim down and took her purse. Witnesses in the area saw the incident and tackled the suspect. The witnesses recovered the purse and the suspect fled the area on foot. The purse was returned to the victim. The suspect was described as an adult male, between 20-30 years old, with a Mohawk hair cut, wearing dark clothing. Juneau Police officers search the area and did not locate either the suspect or the victim. It is unknown if the victim and suspect know each other, or if it was a random event.

At approximately 8:00 pm, a Juneau Police officer spotted a male on Gold Street that was wearing dark clothing and had a Mohawk style haircut. The male was detained. A witness arrived and identified the male with the Mohawk as the person involved in the second incident. The victim from the second incident never contacted the police. The suspect was identified, photographed, and released.

Anyone with information concerning these incident, or the identity of the second victim are strongly encouraged to contact the Juneau Police Department.

Investigation continues.