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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Motor Vehicle Theft Date: 10-17-10

From: Sgt. Hatch Case or Incident: 101017-002

Summary:

On 10-17-10 shortly after midnight, JPD received a report from a citizen from the area of 5th St and Seward St. that two subjects were entering parked vehicles and rifling through them.

On arrival, Officers located one subject exiting a parked pickup truck. The subject saw officers and fled on foot. Officers chased the suspect on foot where he was found hiding between two dumpsters on Willoughby Ave and taken into custody. He was identified as 23 year old Sitka resident Robert TEAS.

Further investigation revealed the subjects had reportedly entered various vehicles in the area of Seward St. They had started to drive one truck out of a parking spot but re-parked it and fled on foot when officers arrived. Damage was found to the door lock and the ignition, allowing the vehicle to be started. Officers processed the scene and contacted the vehicle owner.

TEAS was ultimately lodged at LCCC with the charges of Vehicle Theft 1st (C Felony); (2) counts of Attempted Vehicle Theft 1st (A Misdemeanor); (2) counts Criminal Mischief IV (A Misdemeanor) and Reckless Endangerment (A Misdemeanor). He was held without bail.

The second person was not located and this investigation is ongoing.

All factual allegations contained in this release are based upon preliminary investigation and are subject to change or clarification as the investigation continues. Any charges reported in this release are merely accusations and all persons named in this release are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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