

Surfside Police Department



Award and/or commendation

Date of occurrence: 1/14/2015

Employee Name: Tony Mesa

Classification: Police officer

Unit/Division: Patrol

Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Letter of Commendation

Narrative:

Officer Mesa was flagged down at the corner of 95 and Harding Avenue by a waitress from Flanigan's restaurant. She informed the officer that a man had skipped out on his bill at the restaurant. When she confronted him about the bill, in Big Daddy's liquor store, he pushed her and ran. She gave the officer a good description of the subject and direction of flight. The subject was located by officer Mesa about a block away at 95 and Collins Avenue. The victim positively identified the subject and informed Officer Mesa that he had also skipped out on his bill at Flanigan's on Monday, 1/12/15. The subject was placed under arrest for strong arm robbery and defrauding an innkeeper. He was transported to TGK without further incident.

Officer Mesa reacted quickly and utilized the information given to him by the victim to track down the subject within minutes. His diligence and effort should be noted and recognized.

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