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PRESS RELEASE

Mount Prospect Police Department Investigating Single Vehicle Fatal Traffic Crash

On Friday, August 19, 2022 at approximately 8:50 PM, a fatal single vehicle crash occurred on the property of the Village of Mount Prospect Public Works facility, 1700 West Central Road.

Shortly after a patrol sergeant drove into the gated Public Works facility, a white Ford Escape entered the still open gate at a high rate of speed and struck the concrete bollard and building of the Public Works facility. The patrol sergeant ran over to the Ford and found the driver, later identified as Eric Zeitlin, 29 years old of Westmont, unconscious. The Mount Prospect Fire Department responded and extricated Zeitlin from the Ford and transported him to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash. A witness in the area at the time of the crash related seeing the Ford traveling northbound on Busse Road at a high rate of speed and disobey the red light at Central Road, before entering into the Public Works property.

This traffic crash is currently being investigated by the Mount Prospect Police Department Major Crash Investigation Team. The investigation into the cause of the crash is still ongoing and more information will be provided when it is available.

The Mount Prospect Police Department requests anyone who may have witnessed the crash or has any additional information to contact the department's Major Crash Investigation Team at 847-818-5301.

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