



**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON**

MEDIA RELEASE

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| INCIDENT TYPE: | DATE/TIME REPORTED: | |
| Aggravated Assault | 12/28/2021 1803 Hours | |
| INCIDENT NUMBER: | LOCATION: | |
| 21BU021399 | Downtown Transit Terminal | |
| AUTHOR: | APPROVED BY: | |
| Chief Murad | Chief Murad | |
| SUSPECT: | AGE: | SUSPECT ADDRESS: |
| David S. Perry | 39 | Newport, VT |
| SUSPECT DISPOSITION: | | |
| Arrested; charges pending | | |

NARRATIVE:

At approximately 1803 hours, Burlington dispatch received calls about a disturbance at the Downtown Transit Terminal on Cherry Street. Witnesses stated that a passenger attacked the driver. The first officer on scene observed the suspect, David Perry, 39, outside the bus trying to break back into the bus. Mr. Perry charged at the officer. The officer deployed a conducted electrical weapon, or CEW—also known as a TASER—but it had no effect, apparently because its probes did not penetrate Mr. Perry’s layered clothing. Mr. Perry attacked and assaulted the officer, and at some point during the encounter the officer’s leg was seriously injured. Several citizens in the vicinity of the bus stop interceded to help the officer and also struggled with Mr. Perry. Additional officers arrived and took the suspect into custody. One of those officers was injured as well. The suspect was removed to the hospital for evaluation; the first officer on scene was removed to the hospital for treatment.

This incident is still under investigation. Anyone with additional information about this incident is asked to contact the Burlington Police Department at (802) 658-2704.

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Information is preliminary and subject to change.