STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

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Plaintiff,

DA Case No.: 2024ML026270

Court Case No.:

VS.

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

STOKES, HYROM L 5086 NORTH 54TH STREET MILWAUKEE, WI 53218 DOB: 10/16/1987

Defendant(s).

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THE BELOW NAMED COMPLAINANT BEING DULY SWORN, ON INFORMATION AND BELIEF STATES THAT:

Count 1: SECOND DEGREE RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING SAFETY, USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON

The above-named defendant on or about Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 2100 West North Avenue, in the City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, did recklessly endanger the safety of other persons, contrary to sec. 941.30(2), 939.50(3)(g), 939.63(1)(b) Wis. Stats.

Upon conviction for this offense, a Class G Felony, the defendant may be fined not more than Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), or imprisoned not more than ten (10) years, or both.

And further, invoking the provisions of sec. 939.63(1)(b) Wis. Stats., because the defendant committed this offense while using a dangerous weapon, the maximum term of imprisonment for the felony may be increased by not more than 5 years.

Probable Cause:

Complainant is an employee of the City of Milwaukee and bases this complaint on information and belief and on a review of official police reports and a sworn affidavit prepared by Milwaukee Police Officers. Such materials are the kind Complainant has used in the past, and Complainant has found them to be truthful and reliable.

On 10/16/24, between 11:00 PM and 12:00 AM, Officers ABDULGHANI and MAGLIO of the Milwaukee Police Department where in the area of W. North Ave. and W. Fond du Lac Ave. The officers were responding to a call when they heard approximately 8 gunshots. A Shotspotter alert reported 10 shots fired near 2100 W. North Ave in the city and county of Milwaukee. Another Shotspotter alert for a single shot occurred as the officers were identifying the location on their GPS.

When PO ABDULGHANI and PO MAGLIO arrived at the area, which was a vacant commercial mall, they began circling in their marked squad. They heard another 3-4 shots. PO MAGLIO reported that these shots were extremely loud, as if they were "right on top" of the officers. Shotspotter alerted for 3 shots at this time.

At this point, both officers exited the squad so that they could take cover and search the area. They heard 2-3 gunshots, and PO ABDULGHANI reported that he saw a rifle barrel in a second story window.

The officers retreated and called for backup. MPD officers created a secure perimeter around the area. As the tactical team was preparing to make entry, an individual exited the building and was taken into custody. That individual was identified as HYROM LEON STOKES, the above-named defendant. MPD did not locate anyone else in the building or immediate area.

DET. BERGEMANN reports that the following was located on scene:

- A 7.62mm AK-style Draco pistol
- A bolt-action rifle with a magnified optic
- A .38 Special revolver

Officers also located multiple spent 7.62mm cartridge casings. 11 casings were found on the roof of the Milwaukee Mall, which is consistent with the first Shotspotter activation. Additional spent casings were located on the ground in two different locations around the building, consistent with someone firing from either the edge of the roof or from an open window.

During a Mirandized interview, STOKES initially denied firing a weapon. When confronted with the fact that firearms were recovered from the scene, he admitted that he had been firing the AK-style pistol. He denied that he was shooting at the officers.

The first Shotspotter alert was at 11:20 PM. Computer Aided Dispatch indicates that officers called "shots fired, officer involved" at 11:24 PM. Below is a map of 2100 W. North Ave. from Google maps, which complainant has found to be accurate and reliable in the past:



DET. BERGEMANN reports that the area of W. North Ave. and W. Fond du Lac Ave is a high-traffic thoroughfare for vehicles. There are several businesses along both streets. Surveillance video from a retail store across W. North Ave. from the location showed numerous vehicles travelling in both directions on W. North Ave. during the incident. There are residential neighborhoods within a block to the south and east of 2100 W. North Ave. There are also several residences within a block to the north of the scene.

****End of Complaint****

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on 10/21/24 Electronically Signed By: Nathaniel McClure Assistant District Attorney State Bar #: 1123562 Electronically Signed By: Detective Ryan Bergemann Complainant