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Police Investigate Infant Homicide in Valencia Park

San Diego – On Monday, June 21, 2021, at 6:46 p.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a call reporting that an infant was unresponsive and in need of medical attention at a residence at 300 53rd Street in Valencia Park.

San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel arrived at the location and noted injuries on the 5 week-old child's body and transported her to Children's Hospital. San Diego Police Child Abuse detectives were notified and began an investigation. Sadly, over the next few days, the child's condition deteriorated and she was pronounced deceased on June 24, 2021.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives assumed the investigation. The child's father, William Dudgeon, 29, was arrested for child abuse on June 21, 2021. With the passing of the child, Dudgeon was additionally charged with murder.

The District Attorney's Office is currently reviewing the case, which is still an ongoing investigation. We will not be making any further comments or providing additional information at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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