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SAPD arrests man in killing of ex-TV employee

A man accused of killing former News 4 employee Christopher Olivarez has been arrested by San Antonio police.

Sebastian Hernandez, 20, was arrested without incident at his central San Antonio home, Sgt. Washington Moscoso told reporters Wednesday evening. He faces a murder charge.

Hernandez has been “very cooperative” with the detectives but maintains he’s innocent, Moscoso said.

Olivarez, 40, was found dead on Sept. 25 with multiple stab wounds in the front yard of his home in the 300 block of Kirk Place. He was an account executive at News 4 from 2012 to 2016.

Last year, San Antonio police released several surveillance videos showing a person coming and going from the residence on Sept. 10 and 14, as well as on the night of the killing.

Police said they now believe Hernandez is the person seen on the video.

Moscoso said initial pleas for the public to help identify the man in the video went unanswered. But that after an additional push from Crime Stoppers and the media, Moscoso said someone came forward with Hernandez’s name around late March or early April of this year.

At that time, Hernandez provided a statement and a DNA sample. Moscoso said the DNA matched several pieces of evidence at the crime scene, including the knife that was believed to be the murder weapon.