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NEWS RELEASE #1
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On January 18, 2012, at about 3 am, Edmonds Police officers were dispatched to numerous reports of shots fired in the area of Yost Park. The first officer arriving in the area found four individuals standing at the entrance of Yost Park. Two of the individuals fled from the scene, with one running north, and the other running in a southwest direction. The remaining two persons were taken into custody. Edmonds K9 tracked from Yost Part to the area of City Park in an attempt to locate the two fleeing suspects. Before going into City Park Officer Mehl made an announcement advising that his police dog Kira would be used to search the park. At this time a suspect came out of woods and was taken into custody without incident. City Park was searched using police K9 from both Edmonds and Lynnwood. They were unable to locate the remaining suspect.

The firearm was not located on the three suspects that were in custody. Edmonds Detectives went back to Yost Park in an attempt to locate the firearm. After about an hour search a pistol was found under a bush on the west side of the park. During the subsequent investigation police were able to identify the fourth suspect involved in this incident.

The three individuals in custody were transported to Snohomish County Jail and booked on local charges and warrants out of other jurisdictions.

At about 11:30 this morning the Edmonds Street Crimes Officers located the remaining suspect at his home in Edmonds and he was taken into custody without incident.

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