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DISTURBANCE CALL LEADS TO SWAT STANDOFF SUSPECT SURRENDERED TO POLICE AFTER SHOTS FIRED

What started out as an unknown disturbance call quickly escalated when officers arrived. Around 2:25 pm on March 11th, Edmonds officers were sent to sounds of a disturbance at an apartment in the 20900 block of 76 AVE W. When they arrived, they found the apartment resident locked outside of his unit. A neighbor had called because they heard things breaking inside. As it turns out, a former co-worker from years ago had shown up, entered the victim's apartment and began destroying his property. This forced the victim to get out.

When Edmonds patrol officers arrived, they tried to get the suspect to come out. He showed up at the front door but was armed with a handgun. This caused the officers to fall back and begin evacuating the surrounding area. The suspect retreated back inside the apartment.

The North Sound Metro SWAT team was activated and responded to the location. A five hour standoff ensued. Around 7:30pm, SWAT team members noticed the suspect, who was still inside, appeared to be pointing a handgun at them. One SWAT team member shot at the suspect. About 10 minutes later, the suspect came out and surrendered to police. He was not injured.

The Lynnwood Police Department has taken over investigation of the officer involved shooting portion of this incident. The Edmonds Police Department will continue to investigate the actions of the suspect and determine what charges will be filed.

The suspect is a 37 year old man whose last reported address was Edmonds.

No officers were injured during this incident.

No further details are available at this time. Updates will be provided as available.

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