



Date(s) of Occurrence: July 12, 2017

Employee Name: Officer Dianna Hernandez

Unit/Division: Patrol

Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Letter of Commendation

Narrative:

On Wednesday, July 12, 2017, Officer Dianna Hernandez was patrolling the residential area and observed a vehicle parked askew near the stop sign at 90th Street and Abbott Avenue. The driver was out of his vehicle securing a large cactus plant to the roof of the vehicle. He stated he found the cactus in the middle of the road in the 300 block of 90th Street. The cactus appeared to have been freshly cut. A hand saw was laying on the front passenger seat with fresh wood debris and plant matter. After canvassing the area, the rest of the large cactus was located at 90th Street and Harding Avenue in a planter on the south side of the home with debris leading from the roadway to the home. Contact was made with the homeowner, who advised he did not cut his plant or authorize anyone to trim the plant. The driver/subject was arrested with no further incident. Because of Officer Hernandez' astute patrol techniques she was able to quickly identify and halt an in progress crime. She was also able to return the stolen plant to the owner without further damage. Officer Dianna Hernandez is commended for her professionalism and dedication to the community she serves. Congratulations to Officer Dianna Hernandez as a recipient of Officer of the Month...well deserved!