

MEDIA RELEASE

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On Friday, August 18, 2023, at approximately 1:24 pm, a Burlington Police Department officer on patrol recognized a suspect from an earlier South Burlington incident. That incident took place on August 14, 2023, around 11:00 pm near Williston Road and Dorset Street. It involved an alleged gunpoint robbery of an Uber driver. The suspect was identified as Roger Peay, 33, of Burlington.

After the BPD officer recognized Peay, a foot pursuit ensued during which Peay fled over fences and through the backyards on King Street. There was a multiagency response by UVM Police, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), and the South Burlington Police Department, including a SBPD canine officer. The King Street Center was briefly put on lockdown. Roger Peay was located, hiding in a backyard, and taken safely into custody.

We would like to thank our partnering agencies. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact the South Burlington Police Department.