

CITY OF ATLANTIC CITY

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 31, 2026

Atlantic City Police Apprehend Wanted Individual Following Foot Pursuit

The Atlantic City Police Department apprehended a wanted individual after he assaulted an officer and fled on foot through Tropicana.

On July 30, 2026, at approximately 2:08 pm Officer Norwood attempted to stop a wanted male, John McGettigan, at Brighton and the Boardwalk. During the attempted arrest, McGettigan immediately fled from the officer and assaulted Officer Norwood as she attempted to arrest him. McGettigan also made threatening remarks to the officer before continuing to flee.

Officer Norwood pursued McGettigan on foot through Tropicana while requesting additional units. Responding officers arrived in the area and were able to take McGettigan into custody.

ARRESTED: John McGettigan, 56, of Atlantic City, NJ

CHARGES: Aggravated Assault and Resisting Arrest

These charges are merely an accusation and not proof of guilt. In all criminal cases, a charged defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact the Atlantic City Police Department Criminal Investigations Section at 609-347-5766 or submit a text anonymously to tip411 (847411). Begin the text with ACPD.

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For any questions regarding this release, please contact Chelsea Moore at (609) 226-0714 or cmoore@acnj.gov.