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Second Arrest Made in Park Ave Homicide

Rocky Mount, N.C. – On June 15, 2021, a second suspect, Shyheem Smith., a 19-year-old male, was charged and arrested for First Degree Murder of Derrick Anthony Bryant, a 53-year-old male, who was fatally shot in the 600 block of Park Ave on June 11. Smith is currently being held without bond in the Edgecombe County Detention facility.

About Rocky Mount: The city of Rocky Mount, located in the Coastal Plains of North Carolina, was incorporated in 1867 and lies in Edgecombe and Nash Counties. Rocky Mount is a two-time All-America City on the Tar River. Serving as the Gateway to Eastern North Carolina, the city's 875 employees serve approximately 58,000 residents daily.

The city's mission is to advance community well-being, safety and quality of life by delivering excellent public services and actively collaborating with the community towards a fulfilling and inspired future for its citizens. As a publicly-owned utility, the city of Rocky Mount is committed to safe, reliable service for its customers and operates in Nash and Edgecombe counties, providing customers with electricity, natural gas, water, wastewater (sewer), refuse, recycling and/or stormwater services. To learn more, visit www.rockymountnc.gov for news and updates.

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