Fatal Crash Follow-Up

1035 Maine Ave SW

Death Case Year

21

Ward

2

Death Case Number

26

Striking Vehicle

• Motorcyclist (MO)

Jurisdiction

MPD

Second Striking Vehicle/Object

• Motor Vehicle (MVT)

CCN

21-119-346

Crash Date and Time

Aug 23, 2021, 3:30:00 PM

Death Type

Motorcyclist/Moped

Fatality Person

Motorcyclist/Moped

Address Location

1035 Maine Ave SW, Washington DC, 20024



Narrative

Detectives with the Metropolitan Police Department's Major Crash Investigations Unit are investigating a traffic fatality resulting from a multiple vehicle, motorcycle, traffic crash that occurred on Monday, August 23, 2021, at Maine Avenue SW Eastbound at Exit 4 to Interstate Route 395.

The preliminary investigation revealed that at approximately 3:07 pm, the driver of a blue BMW SR1000RR (motorcycle) was traveling eastbound on Maine Avenue Southwest, prior to exit 4, at an apparent high rate of speed and was weaving in and out of traffic without using caution. As the motorcycle ascended the two lane exit ramp to exit 4, the motorcycle lost control and struck the back of a Subaru Outback. The motorcycle was then redirected into the left lane, where it struck a Chevrolet Equinox, before coming to a final rest. The victim was separated from the motorcycle as a result of the traffic crash. DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services responded to the scene and after all life-saving efforts failed, the victim was pronounced dead.

MPD Press release link

https://mpdc.dc.gov/release/traffic-fatality-maine-avenue-sw-eastbound-exit-4-interstate-route-395

Site Visit(s)

Completed

Factors/context discussed at site visit(s)

High rate of speed on Maine Avenue. Motorcyclist ran red light prior to entrance to 395. Discussed guard rails and general edge treatment.

Actions Under Consideration

Review signage at entrance to on-ramp for 395 N (unrelated to this crash) to ensure it is clear no pedestrians should use this part of the roadway