

New Bedford police arrest two with criminal history in connection with “shots fired” incident

New Bedford Police Detectives followed up on an investigation into a “shots fired” incident in the zero-block of Bullard Street Sunday, Aug. 26 and made two arrests.

Police made the following two arrests:

Rodney Preston Hunt III, 22, of Norwell St., New Bedford, was arrested on charges of possession of a firearm without a license, carrying a loaded firearm without a license, discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building and malicious damage to a motor vehicle.

He is being held pending a dangerousness hearing Aug. 29.

Hunt currently is on probation on five cases, including possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and possession of class B substance with intent to distribute, subsequent offense.

Police also arrested Alexander Filipe Fortes, 20, of Massasoit Ave., Fall River, on charges of discharge of a firearm within 500 feet of a building, possession of a firearm without an FID card, carrying a loaded firearm without a license, malicious damage to a motor vehicle and on a warrant.

He failed to show up to court in January on charges of vandalizing property and attempting to commit a crime.

He is being held pending a dangerousness hearing.