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## **Equipment Violation Leads SPIDER to Gun, Drugs Arrest**

On September 17, 2020, the LCSO SPIDER (Special Projects Investigations Detection Enforcement Response) Unit conducted a traffic stop on a white Toyota Solara for having no headlights on in the rain in the area of Capital Circle Northwest and West Tennessee Street. Contact was made with the driver, 41-year-old Lamar Hodges. During the stop, an LCSO K9 unit responded to the scene and performed a drug sniff of the vehicle, to which the K9 positively alerted.

During a search of the vehicle, deputies located a backpack stuffed underneath the front passenger seat. Inside the backpack, deputies located a plastic container with 13 small plastic bags containing a white powdery substance, a pill bottle containing 6 small pills, and a loaded .40 caliber Glock handgun with a laser sight. The white substance tested presumptive positive for Alpha-PVP (Flakka). The pills were identified as Oxycontin.

Hodges admitted to selling illegal narcotics for profit and admitted the handgun was used for protection while conducting illegal narcotics sales.

During the investigation, deputies confirmed Hodges was a convicted felon. The handgun was seized as a result. The vehicle was turned over to another party.

Hodges was arrested and transported to the Leon County Detention Facility.



**ARRESTED:** Lamar Hodges

**DOB:** 4/24/1979

**CHARGES:** Carrying Concealed Weapon Without License

Possession of Weapon by Convicted Felon

Display of Firearm During Felony

Possession of Controlled Substance Without Prescription

Possession of Narcotic with Intent to Sell



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