

Six demonstrators charged after their involvement in protests in Aurora

The charges include inciting a riot and kidnapping.



Protesters block the entrance to Aurora Police's District One building, July 3, 2020. (Nathaniel Minor/CPR News)



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Six protestors face felony charges — including kidnapping — for their involvement in protests in Aurora that prosecutors allege crossed over into criminal behavior.

The 17th Judicial District office is charging five people, while the 18th Judicial District is charging four. Because Aurora is split between three counties, multiple judicial districts represent different parts of the city.

The six protesters arrested included Lillian Rose House, 25; Joel Prentice Northam, 32; Whitney Hanna Lucero, 23; Trey Anthony Quinn, 33; John Russel Ruch, 33; and Terrance Terrell Roberts, 44.

The Party for Socialism and Liberation on Thursday issued a release identifying at least four of those arrested — House, Lucero, Northam and Ruch — as PSL organizers. The group has hosted demonstration against racism and police violence in the metro area. It called the charges against the demonstrators “phony” and demanded charges be dropped.

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“They are facing multiple serious felony charges and many misdemeanors including



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