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Man Charged With Attempted Murder of 2 LAPD Officers at Harbor Station

A man was charged today with trying to kill two Los Angeles police officers after he entered the Harbor Station over the weekend, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Jose Cerpa Guzman (dob 7/8/91) of Los Angeles was charged in case NA115390 with two counts each of attempted murder on a peace officer and assault with a semiautomatic firearm; and one felony count each of second-degree robbery, evading and resisting an officer.

He is scheduled to be arraigned today in Department So1 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Long Beach Branch.

Deputy District Attorney Geoff Lewin of the Crimes Against Peace Officers Division is prosecuting the case.

Guzman is accused of entering a police station in San Pedro and getting into a verbal altercation with an officer shortly before 10 p.m. on September 26.

The defendant left the building but returned and allegedly began attacking the officer. Guzman is accused of grabbing the officer's gun and striking the officer with it several times.

While Guzman was outside, gunfire was exchanged between the defendant and a second officer who had arrived in the lobby. No one was injured in the shooting.

Guzman fled the scene and was found a short time later when he is accused of resisting arrest.

Prosecutors are recommending bail be set at \$2.2 million. If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a possible maximum life sentence in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.