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**NEWS** RELEASE

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## Man Charged with Cruelty after Beating Puppy

Date: November 2, 2020 Time: 7:30 РМ Location: 4111 Westcity Ct. Arrested: 32 – year old Robert Ryan Washington of the 4100 block of Westcity Ct. Charge: Cruelty to Non-livestock Animals Bond/Judge: \$2500 / Acosta

Detectives with the El Paso Police Department's Animal Cruelty Investigations Unit arrested 32 –year old Robert Ryan Washington on November 10<sup>th</sup> after an anonymous tip of animal cruelty was received by Animal Services. The investigation conducted by the ACIU revealed Washington had continuously beat his 6 -month old Doberman Pincer puppy, "Rocky." A veterinarian examination indicated "Rocky" had multiple injuries, including healing rib fractures. Washington was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility for Cruelty to Animals and 14 outstanding traffic warrants.

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