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Officials investigate Brighton accident that killed 79-year-old pedestrian

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This story was modified on Thurs. Oct. 20 at 12 p.m. to update that Suffolk district attorney officials say they still have not decided on whether charges will be filed:

By Matt Rocheleau, Town Correspondent

Police are investigating a weekend accident that killed a 79-year-old pedestrian after she was struck by vehicle driven by an 83-year-old man along Commonwealth Avenue in Brighton.

The driver, a Brighton resident, told officers he did not see the woman was behind the vehicle as he attempted to back into a driveway at 1925 Commonwealth Ave., officials said.

Police responded about 3:20 p.m. to find the victim, also a Brighton resident, was being treated by emergency medical responders. She was alert and conscious as she was transported from the scene, officers said.

About three hours later, police learned the woman had died because of injuries suffered during the accident.

The driver was cited for failing to use caution when backing up, officials said declining to name the driver or victim.

The Suffolk County District Attorney's office continues to investigate the accident with local police – protocol for any unattended death – said Jake Wark, a spokesman for the district attorney's office.

He said on Monday and again on Thursday that a decision on whether charges will be filed has not been made.

No further details were immediately available.

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