

Two men face additional charges for recent New Bedford robberies

Two men arrested Friday for a string of armed robberies in New Bedford are now facing additional charges in connection with other thefts.

Ryan Stojack, 26, of 65 Shaw Road, Fairhaven, has been charged with four additional robberies, two at Dunkin Donuts locations on Coggeshall Street and Purchase Street, one at a 7-11 on Phillips Road and one at Price-Rite on Hathaway Road.

Those charges are:

Breaking and entering in the nighttime and breaking into a depository for a break Oct. 10 at the Dunkin Donuts at 1746 Purchase St.

Breaking and entering in the nighttime. On Oct. 16 at Dunkin Donuts at 245 Coggeshall St. In both incidents, he gained access through the drive-through window.

Larceny over \$250. On Oct. 16, he stole more than 40 packs of cigarettes at 7-11, 1389 Phillips Road and fled the store.

Shoplifting, assault and battery, intimidating a witness and armed robbery. On Oct, 21 at Price Rite, 133 Hathaway Road, Stojack stole over \$100 of meats and fled in a vehicle. When a store employee attempted to stop his vehicle, Stojack punched and threatened the employee.

Police also arrested Thomas Pendergast Jr., 29, of 88 Linden St. Apt. 1S, New Bedford in connection with this incident. He is charged with shoplifting, assault and battery, intimidating a witness and armed robbery.

The two men already face charges in connections with three armed robberies within 10 days

The first robbery took place Oct. 18 at the XtraMart, 117 Durfee St.

Seven days later, on Oct. 25, the Sunoco Gas station at 2942 Acushnet Ave. was robbed.

The next night, Oct. 26, Stojack robbed Brooklawn Liquors, 496 Ashley Blvd.