

Drug dealing charges are filed against Austin man

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An Austin man now faces 12 criminal charges filed in Scott Circuit Court, all connected to alleged drug dealing at his residence.

James D. Haney, 50, was charged Monday, July 6, with seven Class B and C felony counts of dealing in a Schedule I, II or III controlled substance as well as two counts of dealing in a Schedule IV controlled substance, one misdemeanor count of dealing marijuana and Class D felony counts of maintaining a common nuisance and possession of paraphernalia.

Haney was taken into custody on Thursday evening, July 2, by Major/Detective Lonnie Noble and Reserve Detective Robert Hardin after they and other Austin officers served a search warrant at the Haney household on Factory Drive.

Listed as seized evidence was a number of Endocet, Lorcet, Lortab, Xanax, Methadone and Oxycodone tablets. Also discovered in the residence were two syringes and several pill cutters as well as \$1,469 in currency. A total of \$19 of that amount was identified by Det. Noble as marked enforcement aid monies used in previous "controlled" buys from Haney, the officer noted.

The charges against Haney were prepared and an initial court hearing for him was prepared by Prosecutor Jason Mount for Tuesday, July 7. There will be charges filed against several other individuals as well, most for visiting a common nuisance, according to information received.

Bail for Haney was set at \$75,000 corporate surety or full cash.