

## SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# CHIEF OF POLICE CRAIG N. MEIDL

### Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C22-044 OPO Number: 22-15

Date of Complaint: 7/20/2022

Allegation: Harassment

Chain of Command Finding: Unfounded

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

#### **INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:**

Officers were assisting Code Enforcement with litter clean-up in downtown Spokane when the complainant had contact with the police officers. The complainant was a bystander, not involved in the police activity.

#### COMPLAINT:

The complainant alleged he was asked to keep moving along by officers and then threatened with a citation after refusing to leave. The complainant alleged it was because he was a person of color. The complainant also alleged the police department targets him.

#### **INVESTIGATION:**

Internal Affairs conducted a thorough investigation into the allegation. All pertinent material was reviewed, which included BWC footage, and other items of evidence. Interviews with the officer and a supervisor were also conducted. The complainant was interviewed through the Ombudsman's office.

#### **ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:**

After a thorough Internal Affairs investigation was completed, the allegation was classified Closed - Unfounded.

