



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE

JUSTIN C. LUNDGREN

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C24-023 OPO Number: 24-12

Date of Complaint: 3/19/2024

Allegation: Excessive Force and Biased Policing

Chain of Command Finding: Multiple

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

Spokane Police officers responded to a collision involving a suspected intoxicated driver. During that investigation, several officers onscene used physical force to detain the suspected intoxicated driver. Officers also used physical force to control the actions of a bystander present at the collision scene.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant alleged that officers used excessive force when they controlled the actions of the bystander. The complainant also alleged that officers were racially biased in their actions.

INVESTIGATION:

The investigator reviewed written reports, body worn camera footage, and video footage the complainant provided. The investigator interviewed the complainant and attempted to interview another witness, who refused to speak with the investigator.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The investigation concluded that the officers' conduct regarding their use of physical force was within SPD Policy. This allegation was found to be "Exonerated". The investigation concluded there was no factual basis to support the Biased Policing allegation. This allegation was determined to be "Unfounded".

