



# SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE

### JUSTIN C. LUNDGREN

#### Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C24-041 OPO Number: 24-22

Date of Complaint: 5/12/2024

Allegations: Demeanor

Chain of Command Finding: Unfounded

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

#### INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

On 04/23/2024, the complainant was stopped by a Spokane Police Officer for a traffic violation and was released with a verbal warning for a brake light violation, a temporary tag with tape over it, no proof of insurance, and failure to register over 45 days.

On 05/12/2024, the same Spokane Police Officer stopped the same vehicle again for the same traffic violations as on 04/23/2024. The driver was arrested for the trip permit violation and possession of a weapon, and their vehicle was towed pending a search warrant application for evidence of a trip permit violation. The driver was released upon citations from the scene of the stop.

#### COMPLAINT:

The complainant stated a Spokane Police Officer pulled alongside their vehicle, backed up and got out of the patrol vehicle and contacted them. The officer told the complainant they had a brake light out and were probably still using a fake trip permit (based upon a prior contact). The officer then proceeded to have the vehicle they were living in towed, mocked and laughed at the driver.

#### INVESTIGATION:

Spokane Police Department Internal Affairs investigated this complaint. The complainant was interviewed. Reports and body worn camera videos were reviewed.

#### ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

Spokane Police Department Internal Affairs determined this allegation was unfounded. There was no evidence to support the allegation of the complainant being harassed or treated unfairly.

