



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

KEVIN HALL

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C24-082 OPO Number: N/A

Date of Complaint: 10/9/2024

Allegation: Abuse of Authority, Excessive Force and Unlawful Search/Seizure

Chain of Command Finding: Multiple

Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS:

SPD officers stopped a driver for an alleged traffic violation. That driver did not immediately stop. Officers detained the driver in handcuffs. The driver was ultimately released with a notice of infraction for a traffic violation and a criminal citation for a traffic misdemeanor.

COMPLAINT:

The complainant alleged the officers exceeded their lawful authority by physically detaining him. The complainant alleged officers used excessive force during this incident. The complainant alleged officers illegally searched his property during this incident.

INVESTIGATION:

The investigator interviewed the complainant. The investigator reviewed officers' body worn camera footage and written reports. The investigator interviewed a bystander who witnessed part of the interaction.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION:

The chain of command review determined that the officers' actions were within SPD policy. The Abuse of Authority allegations were classified as "Unfounded". The Excessive Force and Unlawful Search and Seizure allegations were classified as "Exonerated".

