



SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F19-037
Incident Number: 2019-20081990
Date of Incident: 5/8/2019
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers were dispatched to a Suspicious Person call. The caller had reported a male sneaking in the bushes by the museum and thought he might have a stolen car. Officers checked local records and discovered that the male associated with the vehicle had a Domestic Violence protection order and recent stalking history. Officers contacted the suspect, who provided false information about his identity. Based on the circumstances, officers attempted to pat-search the suspect for weapons. The suspect attempted to flee toward the vehicle mentioned in the call. As officers attempted to physically control his movements, the suspect bit an officer's finger. That officer then applied a Level I Lateral Neck Restraint (LNR) to detain him. After he was detained, officers determined he was violating the protection order by placing a note on the protected person's vehicle. Officers booked the suspect for Assault, Order Violation, Making a False Statement, and Obstruction.

