

SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

CHIEF OF POLICE CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: K19-020

Incident Number: 2019-20135886

Date of Incident: 7/21/2019

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Burglary in progress call. The suspect had barricaded himself inside an innocent victim's apartment, had assaulted staff at the apartment building, and witnesses had described him as armed with a straight razor. Officers developed probable cause to arrest the suspect for Burglary and Assault. They told the suspect he was under arrest and gave him commands to exit the apartment with his hands up. The suspect barricaded himself in the apartment and refused to exit. Officers were unable to force the door open due to him pushing against the door. A K9 officer arrived to assist. The K9 officer deployed his K9 partner through a fire escape window into the apartment to contact and capture the suspect. The K9 deployment allowed officers to enter the apartment and arrest him. Officers transported him to the hospital for medical treatment. He was booked into jail for Burglary, Resisting Arrest, and Assault.

