

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F22-047

Incident Number: 2022-20161204

Date of Incident: 9/11/2022

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers were patrolling Downtown when they recognized a suspect who had a warrant. Officers approached the suspect and advised her she had a warrant. She fled on foot. Officers nearby located the suspect and tried to arrest her. She resisted arrest. One officer used her body weight to hold the suspect down on the ground while officers handcuffed her. The suspect complained of pain in her back from the prone cuffing. She was transported to the hospital due to her complaint of pain and she told officers she had recently taken fentanyl. During the use of force investigation, the Chain of Command determined that the use of body weight was necessary to control her resistance and take her into custody.

