



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F22-048
Incident Number: 2022-20156068
Date of Incident: 9/25/2022
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers initially responded to an Argument call. One of the subjects had several confirmed warrants for his arrest: 1st Degree Robbery, 2nd Degree Assault, and Felony Order Violation. The suspect had reportedly threatened to shoot officers and was supposed to be armed. When officers arrived on scene, there was no answer at the door and officers were not able to place the suspect inside the residence, so they cleared the scene. Officers spoke with a neighbor who stated that he saw the suspect armed with a shotgun. Later in the evening, an officer was driving down the alley and observed the suspect and a female who also had a confirmed warrant for her arrest. There was also a valid protection order in effect that prohibited the male suspect having any contact with the female. The officer drove around the block quickly and was able to apprehend the female and place her under arrest. The officer believed that the male suspect fled back to the apartment.

Based on the male suspect's extensive violent criminal history and information that he was armed, a SWAT/Hostage Negotiation Team call was initiated. The suspect was eventually located in his vehicle that was parked in the parking lot. As the suspect finally exited his vehicle, he used his hand to simulate a handgun, holding it to his head and acting like he pulled the trigger. He refused to follow commands and went to reach back inside the vehicle. At that point, an officer deployed his TASER at the suspect. The TASER deployment incapacitated the suspect and officers took him into custody. Medics removed the TASER probes. The suspect was then transported to the hospital to be medically cleared. He was then transported to jail and booked for his warrants and new charges of Violating the Domestic Violence No-Contact Order and Resisting Arrest.

