

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F22-051

Incident Number: 2022-20173182

Date of Incident: 9/29/2022

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Domestic Violation Order Violation call. The suspect and victim were inside a vehicle in a hotel parking lot for hours and the hotel Manager wanted a welfare check. Officers discovered that the vehicle owner's daughter was the protected party in a Domestic Violence protection order. In addition to the current situation, officers had probable cause for a previous violation of the order and the suspect had a warrant for order violation. Officers contacted the male and female inside the vehicle. The male suspect opened the car door and fled on foot to evade arrest. Officers gave chase and one of the officers was able to grab ahold of the suspect's shirt on the upper left shoulder area as they were running. The momentum caused both suspect and officer to fall on the pavement. The officer was able to control the suspect and place him in handcuffs without further incident. The suspect and officer both complained of shoulder pain. The male was evaluated at the hospital for shoulder pain. After he was medically cleared for booking, he was booked for Violation of Order, Resisting Arrest, Obstructing, and his warrant. The Chain of Command determined that the use of force was reasonable and necessary to detain the male.

