

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE JUSTIN C. LUNDGREN

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F23-069

Incident Number: 2023-20252529

Date of Incident: 12/25/2023

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers contacted three individuals behind a business in a posted No Trespassing/No loitering area. The location is a high crime area and the owner of the property had specifically reached out to the police department for help with the trespassing/loitering problem and other associated crimes and problems. Officers used body weight and handcuffing techniques to detain the three individuals, pursuant to investigating Trespassing/Loitering/Drug violation(s). One of the suspects resisted being taken into custody. He was assaultive, attempting to kick an officer in the groin. When the same suspect later attempted to flee in handcuffs, officers took him to the ground to control him. During the arrest, the suspect sustained visible scratches to his face. The suspect also claimed that the left side of his neck and his left rib area were injured. Medics were summoned to check on the suspect and his injuries were photographed. He was transported to jail. Jail medical staff cleared him for booking. The suspect was charged with 3rd Degree Assault, Resisting Arrest, and Obstructing.

