



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

CRAIG N. MEIDL

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: K23-003

Incident Number: 2023-20075794

Date of Incident: 4/24/2023

Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a call for service involving a threat to kill. The complainant advised her brother had been texting her making threats to kill her. She believed these threats to be credible, as he had previously assaulted her during a separate incident. The officers established probable cause to arrest the suspect for Felony Telephone Harassment (Threats to Kill-DV). Officers attempted to contact the suspect at his residence. He opened the door and was extremely confrontational with the officers. He then slammed his door and refused to come out. For over an hour, officers gave numerous announcements from vehicle PA systems, advising the suspect he was under arrest, while encouraging him to surrender himself peacefully. The suspect did not respond. A search warrant was obtained for the residence, and a tactical plan was set in place. Officers breached front door of the residence, and gave several K9 announcements inside, with no response. The K9 handler deployed his K9 inside the residence to locate the suspect. Officers were then able to safely take the suspect into custody. The suspect was transported to the hospital for treatment. He was booked into jail for Felony Telephone Harassment (Threats to Kill-DV), Obstructing a Law Enforcement Officer, and Resisting Arrest.

