

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE JUSTIN C. LUNDGREN

Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F24-010

Incident Number: 2024-20025601

Date of Incident: 2/9/2024

Chain of Command Finding: In compliance with policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

An officer observed a suspect driving in an egregiously reckless manner. He initiated a traffic stop. The suspect exited his vehicle and was immediately confrontational. The officer waited for other units to arrive before attempting to take the suspect into custody. He explained to the suspect that he had probable cause to arrest him for Reckless Driving. Officers arrived to assist and took arm control to take the suspect into custody. The suspect tensed up and resisted arrest by physically refusing to put his arms behind his back. Officers told him to stop resisting and to put his hands behind his back, but the male responded by pushing back and jerking his left arm away from the officer's grasp. The officer wrapped his arms around the suspect's shoulders and head and tackled him to the ground. While on the ground, the suspect continued to resist arrest. At this point, another officer on-scene deployed his TASER. The deployment was effective, and officers were able to take him into custody. The suspect was booked into jail for DUI Alcohol, Reckless Endangerment, Driving with a Suspended License, and Reckless Driving.

