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CASE # 2020-680851 | OFFICER: Westerlund | DPSST: 52338 | ☐ AMENDED

DATE: 06/30/2020 | TIME: 9:35 PM | ASSIGNMENT: RRT

LOCATION: N Lombard / N Denver

NAME (LAST, FIRST M)	GENDER	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH
VISSER, William	MALE	WHITE	09/27/1980

TYPE OF CALL - REASON FOR CONTACT

☐ SUBJECT STOP ☐ PERSON CRIME ☐ PROPERTY CRIME ☐ ADMINISTRATIVE ☐ INJURED ANIMAL

☐ TRAFFIC STOP ☒ OTHER ☐ MERE CONVERSATION ☐ WELFARE CHECK

EXPLAIN

I was assigned to the Rapid Response Team Delta Squad. We were deployed to assist in managing a crowd that had become assaultive and destructive in nature. This group was throwing water bottle, rocks, full cans of beer, and metal pieces among other items at police. In addition, the crowd was shining laser pointers into police officers eyes. The crowd was destructive and in that they were breaking windows, spray painting walls, and spray painting vehicles. It was declared an unlawful assembly and the crowd was directed to disperse due to their actions.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR CONTACT

☐ REASONABLE SUSPICION ☐ WARRANT/JUDICIAL DECREE ☐ OTHER

☒ PROBABLE CAUSE ☐ CIVIL HOLD ☒ CIVIL UNREST

EXPLAIN

Due to the crowds assaultive behavior they were directed to leave the area and disperse. The crowd was given multiple direction to do so and time to comply but they remained and continued their behavior. I was informed their was probable cause to arrest VISSER for disorderly conduct and IPO.

CONDITION PRIOR TO FORCE

☒ ARMED (ACTUALLY) [redacted]MENTAL HEALTH INFLUENCE (PERCEIVED) ☐ PASSIVE RESISTANCE*

☒ REPORTED TO BE ARMED ☐ UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS ☒ ENGAGED IN PHYSICAL RESISTANCE

☒ ARMED (PERCEIVED) ☐ UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL ☐ OTHER ☐ NONE

EXPLAIN

Many of the individuals within the group were armed with various weapons to include shields, metal poles, sticks, pepper spray, fire works, rocks, water bottles, and laser pointers among other items. As we were attempting to disperse the group many of the group was engaged in physical resistance. The crowd was pushing police, hitting police with items, and using shields push back at police. VISSER was actively engaged with the group thou I did not see him with any weapons at the time of arrest. As we went to place VISSER into custody he physical resisted our efforts to do so.

PERCEIVED CONDITION FOR LACK OF COMPLIANCE PRIOR TO FORCE

[redacted]MEDICAL CONDITIONS [redacted]DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY ☒ DISOBEDIENT / ANTAGONISTIC ☐ OTHER

[redacted]MENTAL IMPAIRMENT [redacted]MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS ☐ LANGUAGE BARRIER [redacted]PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS

☐ IMPAIRED FROM DRUGS OR ALCOHOL OR BOTH

EXPLAIN

I believe the reason for lack of compliance is due to disobedient and antagonistic behavior. The crowd was cursing and threatening officers, they were throwing items at police, and they were not follow direction to leave the area. VISSER was part of the crowd that was refusing to follow police direction to disperse. In addition, he was standing directly across from police and was actively yelling at police.

MENTAL HEALTH

[redacted]NONE [redacted]PRIOR TO FORCE KNOWLEDGE [redacted]OST FORCE KNOWLEDGE [redacted]OTHER

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EXPLAIN

[redacted]

SPECIALTY UNITS

YES, WHICH ONES? — SPECIALTY UNITS INVOLVED?

WHICH SPECIALTY UNITS?

We had multiple Rapid Response Teams and I am ECIT trained.

DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES

YES — DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES WERE ATTEMPTED OR USED?

EXPLAIN WHY NO DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES WERE USED/ATTEMPTED OR DESCRIBE TECHNIQUES USED/ATTEMPTED

The sound truck gave numerous direction to for the crowd to leave from a safe position. The crowd was given time to comply with direction. We had numerous officers and RRT squads on scene.

USE OF FORCE WAS NECESSARY TO

- ☐ PREVENT OR TERMINATE THE COMMISSION OF AN OFFENSE.
- ☒ LAWFULLY TAKE A PERSON INTO CUSTODY, MAKE AN ARREST, OR PREVENT AN ESCAPE.
- ☐ PREVENT A SUICIDE OR SERIOUS SELF-INFLICTED INJURY.
- ☐ DEFEND THE MEMBER OR OTHER PERSON FROM THE USE OF PHYSICAL FORCE.
- ☒ ACCOMPLISH SOME OFFICIAL PURPOSE OR DUTY THAT IS AUTHORIZED BY LAW OR JUDICIAL DECREE.

CHRONOLOGICAL USE OF FORCE

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ / -	PHYSICAL RESIST	YES	CONTROL AGAINST RESISTANCE	BACK	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

I heard the sound truck give numerous warning to the effect that if they did not leave they will be subject to arrest and possibly use of force.

As I moved into take VISSER into custody he attempted to run from me on foot. I was able to grab VISSER by his backpack, which he was wearing on his shoulders. VISSER started twisting his body and pulling his body away in an attempt to break free. I feared that VISSER was going to break free and escape custody. I was pulling VISSER toward me, against resistance, to get closer and maintain better control of him. VISSER was able to break free of my grasp.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ / -	PHYSICAL RESIST	YES	RESISTED HANDCUFFING	RIGHT ARM	NO, EXPLAIN	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

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I heard the sound truck give numerous warning to the effect that if they did not leave they will be subject to arrest and possibly use of force.

I saw another officer attempting to take him into custody but VISSER was pulling away from him as well. I ran around a vehicle in an attempt to cut VISSER off and prevent his escape. As I came around the corner I saw that VISSER had fallen to the ground. I took control of VISSER right arm but he was actively pulling his arm toward his body and his arm was tensed up. I feared that he may have access to weapons if he was able to get his arm underneath him. I pulled his right arm towards his back, against resistance, to place him into handcuffs.

Once in handcuffs VISSER quit resisting.

YES WHEN THE RESISTANCE DECREASED, I REDUCED MY AMOUNT OF FORCE TO A LEVEL REASONABLY CALCULATED TO MAINTAIN CONTROL.

DESCRIBE WHY OTHER FORCE OPTIONS WERE REASONABLY CONSIDERED BUT NOT USED:

I considered other force option such as pepper spray but due the close proximity of myself and other officers I felt that it would have negatively effected our ability to take VISSER into custody.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FORCE YOU OBSERVED OTHER OFFICERS USE:

I witnessed ofc. Hristov use force to pull VISSER arm behind his back.

SUBJECT INJURY AND/OR TREATMENT

	TYPE OF INJURY	OBSERVATION	LOCATION OF INJURY	INJURY ATTRIBUTED TO	INJURY TREATMENT
+ -	[redacted]				

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF COMPLAINT, APPARENT, PRE-EXISTING INJURY OR ABSENCE OF INJURY:

[redacted]

[redacted] THE SUBJECT WAS MEDICALLY CLEARED FROM THE FORCE EVENT

THE SUBJECT WAS TRANSPORTED AND/OR ADMITTED BECAUSE OF MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

THE SUBJECT WAS TRANSPORTED AND/OR ADMITTED FOR DRUGS/ALCOHOL

WITNESS

☒ I ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE WITNESSES AND NONE WERE LOCATED.

☐ _____ ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE WITNESSES AND NONE WERE LOCATED

☐ WITNESSES WERE LOCATED BUT THEY REFUSED TO GIVE THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION AND A DESCRIPTION OF THEM IS IN THE SECTION BELOW.

WITNESS INFORMATION: NAME OR DESCRIPTION (IF NAME REFUSED) AND MEMBER WHO LOCATED:

All witnesses fled the area and created a hostile environment to locate witnesses.

MEMBER INJURY

[redacted] **WAS INJURED DURING THIS INCIDENT**

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
L. Westerlund	52338	EMAILED TO	SGT	Coffey #35623

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APPROVED BY:			**DPSST:**	

PSD: ONLY PERCEIVED MENTALLY ILL	PSD: ONLY SERIOUS USE OF FORCE	PSD: BOTH A SERIOUS USE OF FORCE ON A SUBJECT WITH PERCEIVED MENTAL ILLNESS		**SERGEANT:** SUBMIT FINAL COPY TO RECORDS