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CASE # 2020-680932 | OFFICER: Andrew Braun | DPSST: 56961 | ☐ AMENDED

DATE: 06/30/2020 | TIME: 9:19 PM | ASSIGNMENT: RRT

LOCATION: N Lombard St./ N Fenwick Ave.

NAME (LAST, FIRST M)	GENDER	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH
DOE, John and Jane	MALE	WHITE	01/01/1995

TYPE OF CALL - REASON FOR CONTACT

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

☐ TRAFFIC STOP ☒ OTHER ☐ MERE CONVERSATION ☐ WELFARE CHECK

EXPLAIN

I deployed as a line officer with RRT Alpha Squad to a protest that devolved into a civil disturbance and a riot near the PPA Office at 1868 N Lombard Ave. This protest was the 33rd consecutive night of protests in response to the in custody death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, MN. Previous nights of protests have seen members of the crowds commit assaults, arson, burglaries, theft, and vandalism. Riots and civil disturbances have been declared on many of these nights, and several officers have been injured by the violent actions of some in the crowds. Tonight, a gathering of about 200-300 people marched from Peninsula Park to the PPA Office. Shortly after they arrived, people in the crowd began throwing numerous projectiles at the OSP MRT squads around the building, including plastic bottles, rocks, and marbles, as well as shining green lasers at their eyes. The crowd was also in the street, blocking traffic on Lombard St.

Shortly after 2100 hours, the gathering was declared a civil disturbance/ unlawful assembly. Several announcements were made by the sound truck to this effect, along with orders to disperse to the east or go home and force warnings.

A platoon of RRT and MRT squads moved the crowd east as far as Concord Ave.; during this movement, we continued to take projectiles and lasers from the crowd.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR CONTACT

☐ REASONABLE SUSPICION ☐ WARRANT/JUDICIAL DECREE ☐ OTHER

☒ PROBABLE CAUSE ☐ CIVIL HOLD ☒ CIVIL UNREST

EXPLAIN

As we moved the crowd east, many in the crowd were reluctant to leave. They walked deliberately slowly ahead of us, holding up our line and at times stopping or pushing back against us. In addition to continuous sound truck announcements, myself and other officers on the ground directly told the crowd that they needed to disperse to the east.

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

Despite the multiple lawful orders, members of the crowd deliberately ignored those orders and physically resisted by stopping and at times pushing against us.

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 did not perceive any conditions that would have prevented the crowd members from understanding or complying with the instructions to disperse. Their behavior was simply direct defiance of police instructions.

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MENTAL HEALTH

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

EXPLAIN

[redacted]

SPECIALTY UNITS

YES, WHICH ONES? SPECIALTY UNITS INVOLVED?

WHICH SPECIALTY UNITS?

I was deployed with RRT, due to the nature of the crowd management incident. SERT QRTs, NOC members, sound trucks, and an air unit were deployed along with us, as well as MRT units from OSP. Field and Formal Arrest Teams were also activated for this event, and several MFFs assisted us.

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 crowd was given multiple warnings and instructions by sound trucks and officers in person regarding criminal behavior, dispersal orders, and force warnings; they were given ample time to comply with instructions. We had plenty of officers with RRT gear on hand to accomplish our task of moving the crowd. While I used force on two unidentified individuals in this crowd, there were dozens of others against whom I did not have to use force, as they sufficiently complied with lawful orders after being given time and opportunity to move ahead of us.

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
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	BATON STRIKE	TORSO	NO, EXPLAIN	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

As we moved the crowd east down Lombard St. from Campbell Ave., I encountered dozens of protesters who were deliberately slowing down our line. On multiple occasions, I used escort holds and light pushes or nudges with my hands to direct people to continue moving east; I avoided using force on these people when they responded to those escort holds without resistance. The first person I used force against, somewhere around Fenwick Ave., was a short white female wearing a purple jacket and green ball cap. I had given her many verbal warnings to move east, along with the sound truck's orders and force warnings. I had also given her the directional holds and nudges. When she out right stopped in front of me, I had to push her with the length of my baton as she pushed back against me in order to shove her forward. She continued walking a short distance, but again stopped or tried to walk through our line so I pushed her again with the length of my long baton. I did not encounter resistance from her again and saw her walk more quickly to the east as she moved to a different part of the crowd, and I did not use any further force on her.

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DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

I also used force in the same area on a white man with unknown clothing. He had stopped abruptly in front of me multiple times; he was reluctant to listen to my instructions to move east, telling me that he could not because of the crowd. I could see ahead of him that there was in fact ample space for him to move faster. He stopped abruptly again, and when I put a hand on his shoulder to nudge him forward he pushed backwards against me and began to throw his right elbow back at me. In response to this, I initially swung to jab him with my baton, but redirected myself mid swing and shoved him forward with my forearm. I did not encounter resistance from him again as he discovered that he indeed could walk faster, and I did not use any further force on him.

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:

As a line officer, I was equipped with the long baton for crowd management; this was the most effective tool at my disposal for this situation. The force I used was effective and the least amount necessary; further force was not needed.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FORCE YOU OBSERVED OTHER OFFICERS USE:

I do not remember observing any force used by others against either of these unidentified people; it was, however, a very chaotic and dynamic movement at the very beginning of a long and eventful night.

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.

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☒ 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:

Due to the hostile nature of the crowd towards police during this event, no witnesses were available to be interviewed.

MEMBER INJURY

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

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
Andrew Braun	56961	EMAILED TO	SGT	Goff

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APPROVED BY:	William Goff	DPSST:	26748

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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