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CASE # 2020-680932 | OFFICER Morgan | DPSST 54711 | ☒ AMENDED

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

LOCATION N Lombard St/ N Fenwick Ave

NAME (LAST, FIRST M)	GENDER	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH
Multiple Subjects	UNK	UNK	00/00/0000

TYPE OF CALL - REASON FOR CONTACT

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

☐ TRAFFIC STOP ☒ OTHER ☐ MERE CONVERSATION ☐ WELFARE CHECK DOMESTIC RELATED? NO

EXPLAIN

I was working in the official capacity as a Portland Police Officer. I was assigned to the Rapid Response Team and wearing a black BDU style uniform with Xion personal protective equipment underneath my uniform. I was wearing a helmet with a face mask and carrying a gas mask and long baton. The type of event we were responding to was a protest at the Portland Police Union Office, 1868 N Lombard St in response to the death of George Floyd. The groups involved had been violent the 33 days before, causing significant vandalism to businesses throughout the city. The groups had broken numerous windows, looted multiple businesses, set fires, and blocked streets to pedestrian and vehicular traffic on multiple occasions. The subjects were throwing water bottles, full beer cans, and rocks. The subjects were also shining green laser pointers in the eyes of Officers.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR CONTACT

☐ REASONABLE SUSPICION ☐ WARRANT/JUDICIAL DECREE ☐ OTHER

☒ PROBABLE CAUSE ☐ CIVIL HOLD ☒ CIVIL UNREST

EXPLAIN

The protest initially began as a peaceful protest, but evolved into an unlawful assembly and finally a riot. The groups had been very hostile towards law enforcement throughout the evening, shouting obscenities. Officers with Oregon State Patrol and Portland Police mobile field force had been standing by guarding the Portland Police Union Office, 1868 N Lombard St. As Officers were standing near the building, the behavior of the crowd began to escalate. Numerous members within the crowd began throwing objects at Officers. The subjects were throwing water bottles, full beer cans, and rocks. The subjects were also shining green laser pointers in the eyes of Officers. Green laser pointers have been proven to cause potentially permanent injuries to vision when shined in the eyes. The situation became dangerous and the protest was deemed an unlawful assembly and then a riot and the crowd was instructed to disperse and leave the area. I heard the sound truck make multiple announcements for the crowd the move from the street and retreat to the east. The crowd did not make any movement to the east so RRT began to push the crowd east in that direction and out of the intersection.

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

Not only was the crowd refusing to disperse from the area to open the streets for pedestrian and vehicular traffic, the crowd had thrown numerous objects to include water bottles, full beer cans, and rocks at Officers. The subjects were also shining green laser pointers in the eyes of Officers. Green laser pointers have been proven to cause potentially permanent injuries to vision when shined in the eyes. The crowd had also engaged in destructive behavior in terms of property damage and looting businesses the previous 33 nights. The use of force was necessary to move the crowd out of the area and prevent injury to myself and other Officers from the potential threat of items being thrown at us from the crowd. As we began walking towards the crowd, members within the crowd became more aggressive and we were met with physical resistance and a refusal to disperse.

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

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☐ IMPAIRED FROM DRUGS OR ALCOHOL OR BOTH

EXPLAIN

Members within the crowd had received numerous loud admonishments from the sound truck instructing them to disperse the area and retreat to the east. From my position directly in front of the crowd, I could clearly hear and understand the sound truck's admonishments. The members of the crowd ignored the directions from the sound truck and continued to remain in the intersection. The crowd member's behavior began to escalate after being told to leave the intersection and they continued to throw objects at myself and other Officers. Myself and other Officers also asked members of the crowd standing directly in front of us to move back and leave the intersection in a calm manner, this resulted in crowd members yelling and screaming obscenities at us and saying they would not leave the location.

MENTAL HEALTH

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

EXPLAIN

[redacted]

SPECIALTY UNITS

YES, WHICH ONES? SPECIALTY UNITS INVOLVED?

WHICH SPECIALTY UNITS?

I am a member of RRT as well being ECIT trained. There were also numerous other specialty units present such as SERT, CNT, EDU, NOC, Mass Arrest Team, ASU.

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

There were numerous attempts at de-escalation prior to force being used.
-There were numerous Officers present at the location.
-Officers were initially distanced from protesters to allow us time to use as many resources such as sound truck admonishments to prevent the use of force.
-RRT had initially not had a presence at the demonstration to allow individuals to continue expressing themselves peacefully.
-RRT retreated at one point to allow the group space to disperse from the area.

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	BACK	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

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Subject #1
I pushed a subject in the positive target area of the back with my long baton one time instructing her to retreat away from me multiple times. The subject had not disburse the area and was not moving in the direction she was ordered. She stop walking and tried to turn around to face me. The female subject was never identified or arrested. The female subject was a white female, appeared to be 20-30 years old, slim build. She was wearing black pants and a black t-shirt with a face mask. I heard the sound truck give a force warning multiple times to members of the crowd. Once the female began walking I reevaluated and stopped my force application.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	BATON STRIKE	TORSO	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

Subject #1
I pushed the same subject a second time in the positive target area of the torso with my long baton again instructing her to retreat backwards multiple times. After the second time I pushed her forwards she continued walking with the rest of the crowd in the direction they were told to move. I did not observe this individual being injured or treated for injury after the baton push.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	BATON STRIKE	TORSO	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

Subject #2
I pushed a subject in the positive target area of the torso with my long baton one time instructing him to retreat backwards multiple times. After the first push he continued to advance on myself and other RRT Officers in an aggressive manner. The male subject was never identified or arrested. The male subject was a white male, appeared to be 20-30 years old, slim build. He was wearing black pants and a black t-shirt with a black face mask and black beanie. I heard the sound truck give a force warning multiple times to members of the crowd. I did not observe this individual being injured or treated for injury after the baton pushes.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	BATON STRIKE	TORSO	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

Subject #2
I pushed the same subject a second time in the positive target area of the torso with my long baton again instructing him to retreat backwards multiple times. After the second push he continued to advance on myself and other RRT Officers in an aggressive manner. I did not observe this individual being injured or treated for injury after the baton push.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	BATON STRIKE	TORSO	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

Subject #2
I pushed the same subject a third time in the positive target area of the torso with my long baton again instructing him to retreat backwards multiple times. After the third push he continued to advance on myself and other RRT Officers in an aggressive manner. I did not observe this individual being injured or treated for injury after the baton push.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	BATON STRIKE	TORSO	YES	YES

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DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

Subject #2
After the first three pushes he continued to advance on myself and other RRT Officers in an aggressive manner. After the third push he turned around and grabbed onto my long baton. I jabbed the end of the long baton into the subject's torso which caused him to let go of the baton. After the jab to the torso he left the area out of my sight. I did not observe this individual being injured or treated for injury after the baton jab.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	BATON STRIKE	TORSO	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

I shoved numerous other subjects with my long baton in the positive target area of the torso during this interaction. All subjects were advancing on Officers and trying to push and strike Officers. The situation was dynamic, chaotic, and rapidly evolving and I was not able to recall the specific number or each individual person I pushed with my baton. None of the individuals were arrested or identified. I did not observe any of the individuals being injured or treated for injury after the baton pushes. I heard the sound truck give a force warning multiple times to members of the crowd. Once members of the crowd dispersed or ceased attempting to harm myself or other Officers, my force stopped.

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 am only afforded a few tools to use in crowd control, long baton and pepper spray. Due to the very close proximity to other Officers, I did not believe pepper spray would be the most effective option at the risk of exposing other Officers to the effects. The situation did not warrant any higher levels of force to accomplish the task.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FORCE YOU OBSERVED OTHER OFFICERS USE:

I observed other Officers, pushing and shoving subjects within the crowd as well as grenadier Officers deploying multiple types of munitions at the crowd.

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]

HE SUBJECT WAS MEDICALLY CLEARED FROM THE FORCE EVENT

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

HE 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:

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MEMBER INJURY

[redacted] I WAS INJURED DURING THIS INCIDENT

SIGNATURE

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
Kristin Morgan	54711	EMAILED TO	SGT	Coffey

**********SUPERVISORS ONLY**********

APPROVED BY:	Sergeant Coffey	DPSST:	35623

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