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CASE # 2020-680938 | OFFICER Westerlund | DPSST 52338 | ☐ AMENDED

DATE 07/03/2020 | TIME: 12:10 AM | ASSIGNMENT: RRT

LOCATION SW Main / SW 5th Ave

NAME (LAST, FIRST M)	GENDER	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH
Doe, John	MALE	WHITE	01/01/1992

TYPE OF CALL - REASON FOR CONTACT

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

☐ TRAFFIC STOP ☒ OTHER ☐ MERE CONVERSATION ☐ WELFARE CHECK DOMESTIC RELATED? ☐

EXPLAIN

On the night of 7/2/2020 into the morning of 7/3/2020, I was assigned the th Rapid Response Team Charlie Squad to assist in managing a crowd that had become assaultive and destructive in nature. The crowd was actively attacking officer by throwing items at them and were destroying windows. Based on the crowds actions it was deemed a riot.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR CONTACT

☐ REASONABLE SUSPICION ☐ WARRANT/JUDICIAL DECREE ☐ OTHER

☒ PROBABLE CAUSE ☐ CIVIL HOLD ☒ CIVIL UNREST

EXPLAIN

The crowd had broken out a glass window at the federal court house. They were throwing items at the police to include mortars, fireworks, glass bottles, rocks, and water bottles to just name a few. They were throwing large mortars inside of the federal court house threw the damaged door. It was reported that the crowd was actively trying to break in an gain entry into the court house. The crowd had spray painted all the windows, ripped down the protective ply wood, started fires, and breaking windows. Member of the crowd were shining lasers into officers eyes. The crowd was given numerous warning to disperse and leave the area but they did not. Due to the assaultive, aggressive, and destructive nature of the crowd, Charlie Squad was tasked with dispersing the group to the west.

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

As Charlie Squad moved into the crowd people begun to throw items at us to include large mortars, cans of beans, glass bottles, and beer cans to name a few. I was struck with several unknown items and one item even struck me in the head. There were several subjects who were shining green lasers into officers eyes and I had it shined into my eyes on a couple occasions. There was a subject who was standing in the street about 15 feet in front of us waving a large pocket knife. Many member of the crowd were armed with shields, umbrellas, sticks, axe handles, and knives among other items. As we begun to disperse the crowd many members engage in physical resistance by pushing police, blocking police with the shields, and assaulting police.

This unknown subject was armed with a large plywood shield and he was using it to actively push police officers back.

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 believed the crowds lack of compliance was due to their disobedient and antagonistic behavior. Many members of the crowd were cursing, yelling, and threatening officers. They were spray painting things such as "kill all police." The crowd was actively throwing items at police, shining laser pointers into police officers eyes, and assaulting officers. The crowd had refused to leave the area despite being given numerous direction to do so.

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This unknown subject did not follow direction with police officer told him to get back and not to interfere. He was using his shield in an attempt to assist in un-arresting someone and he was using the shield to assault police.

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?

A Rapid Response Team 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 directions from a safe location and the crowd was given time to comply. We had numerous officers available to address the crowd. Initially most officers attempted to stay concealed and out of sight of the crowd.

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	CONTROL AGAINST RESISTANCE	TORSO	YES	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

I heard the sound truck give numerous force warnings threw out the night the night that the crowd must disperse the area or they may be subject to arrest and use of force.

As we were moving the crowd to the west there were several individuals who were armed with large plywood shields. As officers were attempting to make an arrest, one unknown subject with a plywood shield was attempting to push the officers that were making the arrest. I feared that if I did not intervene the subject would injure an officers or assist the custody in escaping. Using the middle of my stick, I pushed the subjects shield, against resistance back. The subject took several steps back and I was able to place myself between him and the other officers.

The subject took a couple steps back.

(All black clothing, slim build, 6'2", 28yo)

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE

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+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	CONTROL AGAINST RESISTANCE	TORSO	NO, EXPLAIN	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

I heard the sound truck give numerous force warnings threw out the night the night that the crowd must disperse the area or they may be subject to arrest and use of force.

Once the subject regained his footing the subject engaged me and attempted to push me using his shield. In fear that he could injure me, I again pushed his shield, 2 to 3 times, using my stick, which caused him to take several steps back. I was able to create about 10 feet of distance between the subject and the arresting officers.

I stepped back to defend the arresting officers and the subject no longer advanced and retreated into the crowd.

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 options but due to the size of the shield I was unable to access the subject to use other force options.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FORCE YOU OBSERVED OTHER OFFICERS USE:

I did not witness other officers use force at that time.

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]

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 possible witness fled the area before I was able to contact them.

MEMBER INJURY

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

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
London Westerlund	52338	EMAILED TO	SGT	Carroll #33550

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SIGNATURE

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
APPROVED BY: Carroll			**DPSST:**	33550

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