Force Data Collection Report

CASE # 2020-681741 | OFFICER Ryan Potter | DPSST 55447 | ☐ AMENDED

DATE 09/27/2020 | TIME: 9:50 PM | ASSIGNMENT: RRT

LOCATION SW 3rd Ave / SW Main St

NAME (LAST, FIRST M)	GENDER	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH
WERVER, PETER M	MALE	WHITE	02/09/1976

TYPE OF CALL - REASON FOR CONTACT

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

☐ TRAFFIC STOP ☒ OTHER ☐ MERE CONVERSATION ☐ WELFARE CHECK

EXPLAIN

On September 26th, 2020 a large crowd of approximately 300 people gathered outside the Justice Center in the parks on the west side. This crowd eventually began blocking streets/intersections at the location. While assigned to RRT Echo Squad we were sent to disperse a crowd and arrest individuals blocking the intersection of SW 3rd Ave / SW Main St. These individuals had been given multiple warnings to leave by the sound-truck. The crowd engaged in multiple anti-law enforcement chants.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR CONTACT

☐ REASONABLE SUSPICION ☐ WARRANT/JUDICIAL DECREE ☐ OTHER

☒ PROBABLE CAUSE ☐ CIVIL HOLD ☒ CIVIL UNREST

EXPLAIN

There was probable cause for persons in the crowd for IPO / Disorderly Conduct II for those individuals blocking the street. I had observed WERVE blocking the street while leaving on a prior engagement. When we returned to make arrest, I observed WEVER still blocking the street engaging in the protest.

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

Suspects refused to disperse when ordered to by police. WERVE actively chose not to leave the area when ordered to.

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

Suspect were yelling profanities at officers, launching projectiles to injury officers, and refusing lawful orders to leave the area. Individuals were also attempting to interfere with officers making lawful arrests at the location. I believe the lack of compliance was due to the subjects being hostile to police and they were intentionally being disobedient and antagonistic. I observed WERVE refuse to leave the area when ordered to.

MENTAL HEALTH

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

EXPLAIN

[redacted]

SPECIALTY UNITS

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YES, WHICH ONES? — SPECIALTY UNITS INVOLVED?

WHICH SPECIALTY UNITS?

Charlie RRT, Sound Truck, and multiple MFF. Outside agency RRT squads.

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

Police did not show their presence for multiple hours. Sound truck gave numerous orders to disperse. The orders were given from a safe distance. The order was repeated and an a large amount of time was given for the crowd to comply. Multiple officers on scene and provided additional lawful orders to leave.. ***The Sound Truck gave numerous force warnings prior to any of the force used below.***

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	TAKE DOWN	BACK	NO, EXPLAIN	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

The sound truck gave warning prior to this use of force and all of the subsequent force used below.

Myself and other RRT squads were on scene after making prior arrest. During this time we took projectiles such as beer bottles and rocks. Shortly after we left the area to regroup and make another round of arrests. When leaving this location I observed WERVE blocking the street by standing in the middle of the lane on his bicycle. He was actively refusing lawful orders to disperse from the street.

After circling Central Precinct we returned to make arrests of individuals in the street. I observed WERVE still in the street blocking traffic with the crowd, and developed my own PC to arrest for IPO. Once we arrived I approached WERVE who saw me and I believed was going to make an escape from police. I provided a push on WERVE'S back, which caused him and his bicycle to to fall to the ground. Once on the ground WERVE provided no resistance and was arrested without incident.

I provided WERVE to Field Arrest and returned to the RRT line. Notified Sgt. Damerville of the take-down.

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:

Due to WERVE not providing any resistance to officers during his arrest no higher level of force was needed.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FORCE YOU OBSERVED OTHER OFFICERS USE:

I did not observe any other officers use force on this arrest.

SUBJECT INJURY AND/OR TREATMENT

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	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:

There were multiple witnesses to this incident. All refused to give their information as they are hostile to police during these events. All were white males/females dressed in all black or items with the word "Press" on them. It is unsafe to attempt to collect witness information at this event

MEMBER INJURY

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

SIGNATURE

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
Ryan Potter	55447	EMAILED TO	SGT	Carroll

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

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