

Suspect's Name: Jasaveon Wilson
Date of Incident: 04/27/2023
Control Number: U045Q23
Incident Number: 2023-0247421
Reporting Supervisor: Sergeant Edin Plancic
BWC / ICC: Yes

Use of Force – Supervisor Review

Description of Events:

On April 27th, 2023, at 1634 hours, Officer Kyle Kinsman, Officer Laura Williams, Officer Adam Kauffman, Officer Megan Arnett, and Officer Ryan Ynzunza responded to what was initially a kidnapping call at [REDACTED] Nashville, TN 37210. The call was later changed to a domestic disturbance. The witness called police stating that the suspect was dragging the victim and the victim screaming to let her go. Officer Arnett and Officer Ynzunza were the first arriving officers on the scene and observed the victim and suspect walking southbound on Murfreesboro Pike. Officer Kauffman, Officer Kinsman, and Officer Williams arrived shortly after. Officer Arnett stopped and detained the suspect while Officer Ynzunza spoke with the victim. The witness, a Trevecca Nazarene University Security Officer, arrived and waited for police to speak with him in the turn lane. While other officers were gathering information from the involved parties, Officer Kinsman spoke with the witness and viewed video footage of the incident that the witness had on his phone. Officer Kinsman developed probable cause for arrest and approached the suspect and advised him that he was under arrest for domestic assault and instructed him to place his hands behind his back. While Officer Kauffman attempted to remove the suspect's backpack from his back and Officer Williams trying to place the suspect's hand behind his back, the suspect pulled away and began evading arrest. The suspect ran north on Murfreesboro Pike. Officer Kinsman told the suspect to stop running but the suspect continued to flee. Officer Kinsman was able to catch the suspect and push him by the upper back causing him to fall to the ground. The suspect tucked both of his hands underneath his stomach which prevented officers from placing his hands behind his back. Officers used joint manipulation to control the suspect and force his hands behind his back. During this interaction, the officers utilized official presence, verbal commands, and soft empty hand control to get the suspect into custody. Officers escalated the use of force appropriately to gain control of this suspect. While escorting the suspect back to the police vehicle, he dropped all his weight and stopped walking under his own will. Officers attempted to pick him up by the legs and carry him, but he prevented that by kicking at the officers. At this time, it was determined that he needed to be hobbled. The officers lowered the suspect to the ground and held him until Officer Kauffman went to his vehicle and retrieved his hobble restraints. Officer Kauffman applied the hobble restraints around the suspect's ankles. The suspect was assisted off the ground and carried to the police vehicle where his legs were lowered to the ground, and he was standing. The suspect refused to get in the back of the vehicle and at one point he placed his foot in the door which prevented officers from seating him in the car. The officers utilized pressure points and verbal direction to persuade the suspect to sit in the car. Once the suspect was in the vehicle, he grabbed the seatbelt and did not allow officers to buckle him in. Officer Kauffman

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and Officer Williams utilized pressure points to get the suspect to let go of the seatbelt. Eventually, the suspect was seat belted in and transported to booking after I interviewed him. The suspect was charged with domestic assault, misdemeanor evading, and resisting arrest.

Suspect Interview:

Upon my arrival on the scene, I observed the suspect sitting in the back of Officer Kinsman's police vehicle in handcuffs and hobbles around his ankles. The suspect was yelling and upset that he was being arrested. He immediately asked me why he was being arrested and I replied by saying that he was being arrested for evading and resisting for now. I asked him why he ran, and he stated, "because I was scared." I asked the suspect why he resisted, and he said, "I don't know why I resisted, I don't want to go to jail." During my interview with the suspect, he stated that his wrists were injured as a result of the officers taking him into custody. Upon examining his wrists, I saw no visible signs of injury. I asked the suspect if he had any pre-existing injuries and he stated that he had plates and rods in his right leg and he has asthma. I asked the suspect if he wanted an ambulance and he stated that he did and when I asked him why he stated for his wrist and leg. Medic 12 from NFD arrived on the scene but the suspect refused transport to the hospital. After he refused transport to the hospital, the suspect was transported to booking. This interview was documented on my MNPD issued BWC and all facts listed were captured as described.

Officer Kinsman's Interview:

The interview with Officer Kinsman was consistent with his written statement which is attached.

Officer Williams's Interview:

The interview with Officer Williams was consistent with her written statement which is attached.

Officer Kauffman's Interview:

The interview with Officer Kauffman was consistent with his written statement which is attached.

Officer Ynzunza's Interview:

The interview with Officer Ynzunza was consistent with his written statement which is attached.

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Body Worn Camera / In Car Camera Review:

Officer Ynzunza had his BWC & ICC activated prior to arriving on the scene. The BWC / ICC was activated at 18:34 hours and produced a video that is 01:11:28 in length. The use of force starts at the 30 minute and 8 second mark and ends at the 30 minute and 34 second mark. Officers placed him in the vehicle and closed the door at the 42 minute and 20 second mark. The suspect began to resist again at the 32 minute and 38 second mark.

Witness Interview & Information:

Isaiah Henderson – Trevecca Nazarene University Security

I spoke with the witness who stated that he received a call from a student that the victim and suspect were having a verbal altercation and that the suspect was being physical with the victim. The witness spoke with the suspect and asked him to leave the property several times. Eventually, they left the property, but the involved parties continued to have an altercation in front of the Subway at [REDACTED]. The witness observed officers speaking with the suspect. The witness reported that he observed the suspect running from police and resisting arrest once Officer Kinsman caught up to him. The witness stated that he did not observe any officers using excessive force on the suspect.

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Conclusion of Facts:

Based on the facts and circumstances, I find that Officer Ynzunza's use of force to be within department policy. The suspect refused to obey verbal commands, resisted by pulling away from officers, and fleeing on foot. Officer Ynzunza utilized official presence, verbal commands, and soft empty-hand control to respond to the resistance to gain control of the suspect. As stated, Officer Ynzunza escalated and deescalated his use of force appropriately in his attempts to gain control of the suspect. Officer Ynzunza only utilized only that force which was reasonable and necessary to gain control of the suspect. As part of this thorough investigation, the reviewing supervisor has reviewed all Body Worn and In-Car Camera video associated with this incident and have determined that Officer Ynzunza's actions were consistent with the MNPD use of force policy.

Reporting Supervisor: Edin Plancic

Employee Number: [REDACTED]

Date: 6/2/23