



Northwest

Community Policing Council

March 20, 2024

Approximately 10 public members attended, including APD civilians and council members on Zoom.

In-person attendance – 23 including community members, APD, and council members

CPC members present: Karen Schwartz, Jacquelyn Cooke, Susan Jennings-Schwinn, Terra Bernheisel, Jeff Miller

CPC members not present:

1. **Call to Order:** 6:02 PM
2. **Approval of January Agenda:** Approved
3. **Approval of November minutes:** Approved
4. **NW Area Commander Chris Patterson's crime update**
 - Traffic citations
 - 2/14 – 3/20 = 380 on Montano
 - 2/14-3/20 = 300 West side to Allison
 - 2/14-3/20 = 83 Ladera
 - The traffic unit has units out on Friday and Saturday nights.
 - Crime reduction in residential and commercial burglaries.
 - There are about 48 to 50 officers on OJT now and they should be completed with their training phases in the middle of May.
 - Issues with vehicles that have guns left in the car and get stolen.
 - Don't leave valuables in the vehicle.
5. **Pete Gelabert NW Crime Prevention Specialist**
 - Neighborhood watch contact the crime prevention specialist
 - Block captains

- They are assigned a uniform officer with their cell and email information.
- They use a mapping system on where to send resources and officers.
- To view calendar events, go to the APD NW area command website
- As summer approaches people are going on vacation, APD encourages people to let them know when they are leaving so the home can be put on a house watch. The number is (505) 768-4850
- There are 117 block captains. If someone wants to become a block captain contact Pete Gelabert at pgelabert@cabq.gov
- He also does home security assessments for free of charge.

6. Aja Brooks U.S Department of Justice Executive Assistant U.S Attorney

- Consent decree – community outreach and oversight
- The court hearing is tentative for June 4th, 2024. The hearing is open to the public and is hybrid.
- The monitor talks about the APD paragraphs that are in progress.
- APD is in 94% but there some paragraphs that are not in compliance.
- At the hearing there are AMICI groups that speak.

7. CPOA (Civilian Police Oversight Agency) Director Diane McDermott and CPOA investigator Robert Grooms

- In January 2023 city council revised the ordinance.
- Staffing
 - Investigators
 - Administrative
 - Community engagement (vacant)
 - CPC
 - DATA and Policy analyst
- Deputy director
- Receive complaints from anyone who are unsatisfied with the interaction with APD. Some complaints are usually about other agencies and we forward those to the appropriate agency.
- They received about 170 complaints this year, and not all are about APD.

- If a complaint submits about a probable area that information gets sent to the area commanders.

8. CPOA Investigator Robert Grooms

- The timeline for an investigation is 120 days from when he receives the complaint form to complete the investigation.
 - They have about 90 days to investigate, then thirty days for the director to review.
- During the investigation:
 - He has seven days to import into IA Pro.
 - He calls the complainant and gets more information.
 - Interviews the officer (s)
 - Download and watch the lapel videos
 - Gets records of the incident
- The director then reviews the case
 - She reviews for completeness
 - All the information was reviewed
 - Citizen issues reviewed
 - A findings letter gets sent to the citizen on the decision of their case.
 - The director provided discipline recommendations, if the department doesn't agree with the decision the police reform can change it and provide a reason.
- CPOAB (Civilian Police Oversight Advisory Board)
 - They can be on the board for three years and serve for two terms.
 - They try to get members from all over the city
 - Members are appointed by the city council

9. ACS Albuquerque Community Safety Department Chris Plystone

- They are the third branch of public safety.
- They do the mental health and nonviolent calls.
- ACS responded to about 65,000 calls that were diverted from APD
- Respond to suicide ideation welfare check, unsheltered, needle pick up

- Staffing
 - Community responders
 - Street outreach responders
 - Behavioral health tier 1 & 2
 - VIP (Violence Intervention Program) - Get ahead on gun retaliation
 - CORA responsibilities – they contact families after violent crimes/homicides
 - Low staffing there are three to four teams for the whole city
 - They have a twelve-week academy class and they will be out on the street in May.
 - Mobile crisis intervention license technician
 - ACS moved away from the fire dispatch over to the APD dispatch.

10. Meeting adjourned 7:49 pm

To watch the Northwest CPC March Council Meeting, please click the link below:

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Date: March 20, 2024, 6:00 PM Mountain Time (U.S. and Canada)

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