



Southwest Community Policing Council
Patrick J. Baca Library, 8081 Central Ave NW
Minutes - February 5, 2020

Call to order @ 6:05 p.m. by SW CPC Chairperson Steve Schmidt
Council members present: Chris Sedillo, Wanda Harrison, and Stephanie Griego

Approval of December 4, 2019 and January 8, 2020 minutes
Approval of the February 5, 2020 agenda

Diversion Court Panel: Judge Cindy Loas, 2nd Judicial District Young Adult Court; Metropolitan Court Judge Courtney B. Weaks, Behavioral Health Court and Domestic Violence Early Intervention Program; Metropolitan Court Judge Christine E. Rodriguez, DWI Recovery Court; Gilbert Jaramillo, Director Diversion Program. The programs are working to reduce the rate of recidivism by the court participants. Additional funding for an increase in the number of judges, district attorneys, public defenders, and pretrial services officers would be most beneficial for Albuquerque. There aren't enough diversion court slots to accommodate the number of persons that would benefit from the life changing intervention. Participants that complete these programs are set onto a path of being a contributing member of our communities instead of a person taxpayers cover the cost of incarceration for.

Ernest Esquibel and Teresa Marie Garcia added by acclamation on February 3, 2020. Election of new officers was by acclamation on February 3, 2020. Steve Schmidt will be the Chairperson; Wanda Harrison will be vice-Chairperson; and Teresa Garcia will be the secretary for the calendar year of 2020.

APD is streamlining the monitoring of the Use of Force which results in returning officers to the street more quickly and efficiently.

Education programs needed:

1. Clear instructions on when to call 991; 242-cops; or use the APD application to report criminal activity
2. Call volume is the "key" - make the calls even though it's annoying to be on hold for a long time and even when it feels like there is no response from APD. The call counts towards our request for service numbers even if you do not see or talk to an officer. The number of calls to 911/242-cops determines the number of APD officers that are assigned to the SW Area Command. Please help; make the call for help.

Public Service Aids are needed - PLEASE APPLY

APD requests that residents drive by their storage unit as frequently as possible to ensure it's still secure. They would be better prepared to stop the break-ins if they can determine a time frame for the break-in crimes.

Reports from APD including the crime and the use of force statistics.

ADJOURNED 7:51 p.m. - ATTENDANCE: 6 guests; 2 APD; 10 residents; 6 council members (24 total)
RESOURCES provided: printed agendas, social media posting, minute taking