

Valley

Community Policing Council

February 27, 2025

Approximately 14 members of the public attended, including APD civilians and council members on Zoom

In-person – 10 members including council members, APD, and CPC staff.

CPC members present: Edwina Kiro, Dick Winterbottom, Philip Jameson, Jaqueline Ritz

CPC members not present: Deirdre Ewing

- 1. Call to order- 6:00 PM
- 2. Approval of February Agenda- Approved amended no legislative update
- 3. Approval of January Minutes approved
- 4. ABQ Mayor Tim Keller
 - Crime stats released yesterday, about ten years ago, crime was going up, including homelessness and per capita income was flat. In the last eighteen months, that has changed.
 - There are about fourteen crime stat categories, with half the crime stats decreasing. While the other half of the crime categories are higher or a flat line.
 - Warrant operations started two years ago, and about 5,000 people had outstanding warrants. The operation drops that number by 20%.
 - Investing \$15 million in crime-fighting technology, for example, cameras, license plate readers, and gunshot detection. However, only 20% of the city is covered. The mayor mentioned talking to the legislature about crime reduction measures.
 - APD has issued over 300,000 speeding tickets. Throughout the city there are about twenty speed cameras in areas where speeding was an issue.
 - Clearance rate over 90%, in the last ten years, there was a 50/50 chance, now it's 90% that a person is caught.
 - Civilians
 - ACS is almost at its 100,000th call. It is shown that 80% of calls taken from ACS would have been taken by APD/AFR about ten years ago, meaning officers were not available to fight crimes.

5. VA command update

- This year, aggravated assault decreased by 29% for two months.
- Violent crime/ Aggravated assault down by 30%
- Robbery down 23%
- Auto burglary down 37%
- Robbery commercial and residential down 13%
- Getting an additional assistant to focus on shoplifting this year. It is up 16%.
- In two weeks they start the new bid.

6. APD Police Academy- Commander Joseph Viers, and Lt Troy Nicko

- The APD academy is located on the 2nd and Montano
- Recruiting unit, background check unit, basic training to the PSA's and cadets.
- Advance training unit Continuing education for officers, and keeping up with certification.
- Comprehensive training A new component added in the last couple of years.
- Citizen police academy Let the community have the opportunity to experience the training officers go through.
- Recruiting APD is on track and doing well in getting recruits. They are projecting to get about 1,000 officers this year. The academy is running five classes this year, more than previous years.
- Changes Generation cadets have more technology and advancement in training.
- They now bring in the supervisors for training and go through reality-based training
- Cades are not part of the union until one year after they graduate.

7. Meeting adjourned 7:40 PM

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