

## STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

These recommendations and any related changes to the Police Oversight Ordinance shall be interpreted and construed to support the following legislative purposes:

- A. to foster and perpetuate policing policies and practices that effectively maintain social order and which at the same time foster mutual trust and cooperation between the police and the citizenry;
- B. to ensure that the civilian police oversight body functions as independently as possible from the executive and legislative branches of the government of the City of Albuquerque;
- C. to provide citizens and police officers a fair and impartial forum for adjudication of grievances against individual police officers and against the police department as a whole;
- D. to gather and analyze data on trends, complaints, impacts, and practices concerning the actions of the Albuquerque Police Department, the impact of those actions on the community, and the impact of those actions on police/community relations;
- E. to provide policy guidance to the City Council, the Mayor, and the Chief of Police, including guidance on police procedures and guidelines;