



Southwest
Community Policing Council
Minutes
February 13, 2019

- 1. Call to Order – Chair Don Burns 6:00 pm**
Council present: John Russo, Chris Sedillo, Wanda Harrison, and Michael Zocholl
Approximately 10 attended from the public, 6 from APD

- 2. Old Business**
 - a. Review/amendment/approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda, second and approved.

- b. Review/amendment/approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes, second and approved.

- 3. APD Presentations: Lt Vega**

- a. Crime Report**

- Burglaries are down by 9%
- Auto Burglaries increased by 8%
- Auto Theft decreased by 40%
- We have a sergeant and officer on the PRT and they have been focused on the Coors area, and we have seen 46% reductions on calls for service in that area and 50% decrease in crimes.

Q: Were those officers on the scene when the bomb went off?

A: Yes, the Sergeant and Officers were close by when the incident happened.

Q: Is there a plan for the reckless driving happening in our area?

A: Yes, we are working on a TACT plan for the area.

Q: What is the situation with the gunshots in the neighborhood?

A: When gunshots are fired, we do get the calls and we dispatch officers out there. If you hear them nearby, please call us so we can have an officer down there.

Q: How far can a gunshot go or noise go?

A: It depends on the caliber.

b. Use of Force

Southwest had 5 Use of Forces the month of January

- 2 show of force
- 3 use of force
- 0 serious use of force

c. Recruitment – DC Garcia

- We just had a lateral class graduate
- Currently we have cadets/lateral in classes at CNM and the Academy
- We are looking to have 950-960 new officers by the end of this summer.

Q: What is the ideal number of officers you guys would like to have?

A: We are shooting for 1,100.

Q: How close are you guys to equipping new officers (car, etc.)?

A: All new officers will be equipped, as far as cars, we are asking for more money. But as of now we do have plenty cars.

4. Presentation – Guest Speaker: Lt Jen Chacon from Compliance Bureau

I am here to speak about the CASA and give a brief breakdown on where we are at currently.

- We are currently on our 8th Independent Monitor Report (also known as IMR-8)
- If you would like to read what is on the settlement agreement you can go to <http://www.cabq.gov/police/documents-related-to-apds-settlement-agreement> and to read the IMR-8 you can go to <http://documents.cabq.gov/police/reports/department-of-justice/independent-monitors-eight-report-nov-2018>
- There are 344 paragraphs total and the touch on 9 main categories:
 - Use of Force
 - Specialized Units
 - Crisis Intervention
 - Policies and Training
 - Misconduct
 - Staffing, Management and Supervision
 - Recruitment, Selection and Hiring
 - Officer Assistance

- Community Engagement and Oversight
- I am in charge of paragraph 53, which is Use of Force, and paragraph 78, which is the Force Review Board.
- For each monitor report, we have to provide documentation to the monitors on what we have done to improve.
- The Independent Monitor has a team (IMT) who specializes in certain sections.
- David Torres is responsible for paragraph 53.
- When a use of force is conducted, a sergeant will go on scene to do a preliminary investigation, once they have done it, they have 72 hours to do it. If they need an extension they would have to reach out the Commander, they are under.
- Mr. Torres will request a data report, for example he just request for the last 10 Use of Force for every month for the past 3 months. We have to provide those requests to him and we have to make sure that those extensions were granted and are attached to the Use of Force, and that is how we come into compliance.
- Three levels of compliance
 - Primary (Policy & Procedures)
 - Secondary (Training)
 - Operational (Day to Day Operations)
- IMR-8 Progress
 - Primary - 99.6%
 - Secondary – 75.4%
 - Operational – 59.2%
- Our final goal is to come in 100% in operational compliance

Q: How much of that attributes to the Use of Force change?

A: This Use of Force, we have had the same policy for years. There were so many deficiencies that we noted on how to improve and will have to change. With the new Use of Force of policy, we will begin to start training this fall.

Q: Besides Use of Force, how many other components from the CASA have changed?

A: I do not think others have, Use of Force is probably the only one that has significantly changed.

Q: What was the period for IMR-8?

A: It was from February through August of last year.

Q: Is there a brief definition of what the Use of Force means?

A: Force is any application of physical techniques or use of tools, or any other means used to defend, restrain, overcome resistance from, or otherwise gain physical control of a person. Handcuffing, escorts, and holds of otherwise cooperative individuals do not constitute an application of force as defined in this section, if used according to training and policy. De

minimis use of escort holds to prompt an initially non-compliant subject shall not be considered force.

Q: Would it be possible to have a community meeting with just the topic of Use of Force?

A: Commander Middleton who is in charge of the Use of Force division has been speaking at CPC meetings, we can definitely see about it.

Q: What are the differences between, primary, secondary, and operational?

A: Primary is focusing on revising our policies, secondary is are we holding the policies to its standard and holding supervisor accountable for following through policies and procedures, operational compliance means we are holding each other accountable all the way.

5. New Business

a. Next meeting: March 13, 2019

b. Neighborhood issues/ crime

- Speeding is an issue on 98th
- Some streets are dark at night, it makes it harder to see the streets at night.

Q: What is being done on the Southwest in regards to auto theft?

A: Auto burglaries has increased, auto thefts were actually down this month from last year. Usually the auto thefts happen when cars are being warmed up in the cold, but we did not see much of it this year at the Southwest.

6. Adjournment

Adjourned 7:00 pm

Acronyms used:

PRT: Problem Response Team

CASA: Court Approved Settlement Agreement

IMR: Independent Monitor Report

IMT: Independent Monitor Team