



Southwest Community Policing Council
Patrick J. Baca Library, 8081 Central Ave NW
Minutes - January 8, 2020

Call to order @6:03 p.m. by SW CPC Chairperson Steve Schmidt
Council members present: Chris Sedillo, Wanda Harrison, and Stephanie Griego

Pledge to the flag

Approval of November 2019 minutes; approval of December minutes postponed to February 2020

Approval of the January 8, 2020 agenda

AUSA Elizabeth Martinez shared the history of the Department of Justice coming to Albuquerque. They held many meetings for the residents to share their opinion regarding the APD. Acknowledges that they have not held large meetings for residents to hear about the APD improvements. Social media is not enough to get the word to all residents. She acknowledged City Councilor Ken Sanchez (1956 - 2020) as a strong proponent of the DoJ coming to ABQ and for the CASA.

Lt. Ferris Simmons - information for getting a waiver from Chief Geier is available on the APD website. The block of community policing training is always updating to keep it interesting. Thought should be given to the cost, is it wise to enact, and does it violate rights to privacy, etc. when making a recommendation

Lindsey Van Meter, City Attorney's Office shared that Mayor Tim Keller hired Chief Geier with the goal of total compliance with the CASA. 64% of operational compliance has been achieved; 25% have been in compliance for over two years.

Lt. Kenneth Johnston APD has completed the new Use of Force training. All APD officers have completed the training along with Problem-Oriented Training, On the Job Training, Reality-Based Training

Russ Biggs and Robert Heckman demonstrated the SmartCASA. SmartCASA is an electronic version of the CASA and the Monitor's report. It is free to use and allows for searching through the documents to find specific information. It has an attached dictionary for words that may be difficult to understand. Access SmartCASA at smartcasa.org

Reports from APD including the crime and the use of force statistics. With the Proactive Resources Team focusing on the Coors Blvd and Central Ave area there has been a 10% reduction for calls in that area. The PRT now consists of five (5) officers.

ADJOURNED 7:51 p.m. - ATTENDANCE: 4 guests; 5 APD; 9 residents; 4 council members (22 total)
RESOURCES provided: printed agendas, projector, social media posting, minute taking