



**Foothills
Community Policing Council
March 9, 2026**

In person, approximately 19 public members attended, including APD civilians and council members.

Online –10 members of the public attended, and council members attended.

CPC members present: Woody Simpson, Howard DeLaCruz-Bancroft, Brandon Ahrens, Mark Soohoo, Paul Ripley, Phyllis Marcus, Anthony Rael, Natasha Reed

CPC members not present: Jennifer Lopez,

- 1. Call to order – 6:00 PM**
- 2. Approval of Agenda- Approved**
- 3. Approval of Minutes – Approved (February)**
- 4. APD Interim Chief of Police Cecily Barker**
 - Property crime overall is down 66%
 - Year-to-date, auto theft is down 23% due to the auto theft unit and field services.
 - There are 5 homicides (6 last year). Only one has not been solved this year. One was in the FH, and it was solved.
 - Technology: they are more advanced than other departments.
 - Supporting the community and addressing crime in the city, listening to the community. With officers' support with tools to address crime in the city.
 - Budget – They are budgeted for 115 officers; currently, there are 913 officers.
 - About 30 in the academy
- 5. DC Aaron Jones**
 - Motor units – start with enforcement, and then with speed cameras.
 - License plate readers.
- 6. FH Area Commander Richard Whitten crime update 28days**
 - Individual robbery – 2
 - Commercial robbery – 2
 - At the Walgreens on Juan Tabo and Eubank, an undercover person doing training had apprehended the individual
 - Commercial burglaries – 8
 - Stolen cars – 25
 - Please lock your vehicles, and more importantly, don't leave guns in your car.
 - Call the police. If they don't know about it, they can't fix the issue
- 7. 988 NM**
 - Clare NM 988 Manager and Paul Galloway 988 Outreach Coordinator

- In NM, there is a statewide crisis line. Pass funding in the last legislation.
- 2023 Federal government SAMSA – 988, individuals struggling with mental health, substance use, thoughts of suicide, or homicide, and are treated in therapy.
- Chat link, call, text to get in contact with 988
- Average 5500 calls, and 1200 text/chat
- 6th highest per capita with 988 in NM
- 988 – paid staff, license counselor, (master level or individual license)
 - Behavioral health background
 - 6-week training
 - When a call comes in, they ask demographic questions for statistics
- The individual talking in the moment
- Safety assessment
- Create a plan
 - Partner with other agencies – partner with all crisis teams
- 1300 calls a month in warmlines
 - Open 7 am – 11:30 PM
 - Text support 6 am -11 PM
 - Calls usually last about 45 minutes
 - If someone needs more resources and help, they can be transferred to the NM peer warmline.

8. City Councilor Renee Grout

- APD, AFR, ASC – reporting monthly or quarterly. APD will be giving the counselor the specific data and will see the trends

9. Meeting adjourned 7:36 PM

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