



**Southwest  
Community Policing Council  
February 2, 2022**

Approximately 23 members of the public attended, including APD civilians and council members.

CPC members present: Teresa Garcia, Wanda Harrison, Robbie Vigil, David Raza, Mona Varela

CPC members not present: Andrea Lester Young, Joseph Kolozsy

- 1. Call to order – 6:02**
- 2. Approval of Agenda- Approved**
- 3. Approval of December Minutes – Approved**
- 4. Welcome SW commander Rene Barraza and updates**
  - One person on FML (family medical leave), officers leave to other sections in the department, and low on staff.
  - February 12<sup>th</sup> new bid taking into effect.
    - An incentive for officers who stay in the same area command.
  - Questions
    - How can we invite the police into various conversations?
- 5. APD Chief of Police Harold Medina**
  - Homicides' biggest concern last year (2021) with a record of seventeen.
  - Two detective academies that train new detectives
    - Interviewing
    - Warrant writing
    - Working with victims
  - Violent crimes – new deputy commander from DA's office
  - Past month clearing homicides arrest.
    - They cleared fourteen arrests for the month of January.
  - The last week of September to February they doubled felony arrest each week.
  - January 2022, they had 500 traffic citations which were the biggest complaints from the community.
  - In June changed the disciplinary matrix and create more ideas on how to change morals.

## **6. What is constitutional community policing? Paster David Walker**

- Constitutional policing provides ethical law practices that protect our constitutional rights. It helps us rebuild trust and mutual understanding between officers and civilians that they serve. By seeking to protect people's constitutional rights and everyday interactions police-involved community relations help to be that trust. Constitutional policing is legal policing assuring that everyone's civil rights are ensured in just and fair treatment is received through every citizen in Albuquerque.

## **7. APD recruiting update Sgt. Peter Silva**

- CNM 6 Graduated yesterday (02-01-2022) and twelve cadets in OJT
- Two classes started at CNM, and they graduate in July of this year
- Class 125 – thirty-one seated and graduate in May
- Staffing two classes
  - 28<sup>th</sup> lateral class– six lateral officers in backgrounds check process
- Class 126<sup>th</sup> – Starts in May with thirty-two in backgrounds and sixteen pass chiefs' selections and fifty-five to test this weekend.
- PSA – there are currently ten cadets which started two weeks ago and graduate at the end of February.
  - 41<sup>st</sup> PSA class – nine in backgrounds and twenty-eight testing now until April. Scheduled to start in June.
- Questions
  - Are there any minority females in the class that graduates yesterday or in upcoming classes?

## **8. Discussion and questions with Panelist, CPC members, and public**

- Ambassadors program
- Building trust within the community
- How can you have community policing happen with continued unconstitutional policing?
- Whom should we call when we hear gunshots?
- What can we do about the crime and speeding around the upper pat hurley park on yucca drive NW and blue water?

## **9. Meeting Adjourned- 7:12 PM**

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Topic: Southwest Community Policing Council

Date: February 2, 2022, 06:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

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