



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

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

CPC members present: Teresa Garcia, Wanda Harrison, Mona Varela, Joseph Kolozsy

CPC members not present: Andrea Lester Young, David Raza

- 1. Call to order – 6:00**
- 2. Approval of Agenda- Approved**
- 3. Approval of January Minutes – Approved**
- 4. SW area commander Rene Barraza updates**
 - Commander Barraza discussed the incident that took place at the West Mesa High school and gave updates on the situation.
 - Email: rbarraza@cabq.gov
- 5. Commander Joseph Viers APD Traffic Division**
 - Increase in drag racing throughout the city during Covid because of businesses being closed. Thanking the administration for supporting the traffic division from the mayor's office, chief's office, and city council. They started for the first time a late swing shift traffic squad that work from 4 pm-2 am and on weekends.
 - The unit ties into efforts done in the downtown and southwest area command. The area commands work together on a tact plan and operations done during those peak times. They had success on Sunday night which is their biggest day of issue.
 - Increase traffic safety and reduce crashes, racing, and quality of life issues. They have been able to reduce other calls for service and potential violent crimes from happening.
 - In January the traffic division changed enforcement efforts responding to calls to service regarding crashes, minor fender benders, or any serious and fatal crashes that happen in the city of Albuquerque. Reducing the number of crashes that they were responding to rather than being reactive, and submitting reports there are taking an approach of increasing traffic enforcement education to change driver behavior in Albuquerque.
 - Requested for more PSAs to assist officers
 - Reduce fatalities
 - Traffic division – They are data-driven and not simply just sending officers out.

- 42 arrest/felony/misdemeanor on 98th street and tramway
- Central corridor tact plan known as D-DAX
 - Once a month by freeway
- March 2, 2022, 10 fatalities and as of today (03/02/2022) there were 5 fatalities.
- Email: jviers@cabq.gov
- Questions
 - Is there a way for the public to quickly report a racer or very aggressive driver?

6. Lt. Jennifer Garcia APD ambassador program

- APD Ambassador program
- Purpose
- Mission statement
- APD's vision statement
- 10 groups part of program
 - Ambassadors are volunteers
- Contact information
 - Ambassador Program Director
Lieutenant Jennifer Garcia
(505) 205-4974
jennifergarcia@cabq.gov
- Questions
 - Are there other programs in the surrounding communities?
 - Does Ambassador Program have plans to participate in the ABQ or RR Juneteenth celebrations?
 - The ambassadors are there to serve the community, not the community serving APD.

7. Meeting adjourned – 6:53 PM

To watch the Southwest CPC March Council Meeting, please click the link below:

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

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