



The regular monthly meeting of the *Southwest Community Policing Council* was held on *Wednesday, March 4, 2026*, beginning at *6:00 p.m.* via Zoom. The minutes were made part of the record. The meeting was called to order and led by Ernest Esquibel

**In person** – 18

**Online Zoom** – 9

**Welcome from Council members.**

Gilberta Miera  
Christine Becker  
Michelle Torrez  
Elaina Rose Aucion  
Ernest Esquibel  
Albert Chavez

***Members absent***

1. **Call to order** – 6:00 PM
2. **Approval of agenda** – Approved
3. **Approval of minutes (January)** – Approved
4. **APD Interim Chief of Police Cecily Barker**
  - Addressing crime – doing good, crime is going down.
  - In 2025, crime was in a good place.
  - Year-to-date, they are up 31% in felony arrests. Officers are being proactive and have the opportunity to make an arrest
  - Up 21% increase in misdemeanor arrests
  - Violent/property crime in 2026 is doing well.
    - Auto theft down 38%
    - Auto burglary down 15%
    - Burglary down 21%
  - Homicides – 5
    - There was one in the SW and was solved.
    - The clearance rate is at 100%
  - Recruiting
    - Last year, 99 officers joined the police department total of 913 sworn officers
    - There are five cadets graduating this Friday.
    - There are 21 cadets at the CNM academy and 18 at the police academy. They should have another 110 officers by the end of the year.
  - The bid takes place in April.
    - There will be 43 more officers working in field services.
    - The officers bid to which area command they want to go.
5. **SW Crime Prevention Specialist Ron Kemp**
  - Residential burglary – 14
  - Commercial burglary – 1

- Auto burglary – 20
- 6. Recap Mayor Meeting**
- It was a good meeting; the mayor went over the issue of homelessness and provided resources. There was a discussion on the use of force.
- 7. SW Area Commander Renee Barraza**
- They had a tactical plan in place for February regarding speed problems.
  - Issued 220 citations – Surrounding registration
  - 42 citations – no insurance or no proof of insurance
    - 18 of them had either invalid, revoked, or suspended licenses, or all of the above.
    - 42 citations for speeding
  - Motor division helped from Feb. 2 to Feb. 6
    - 18 speeding citations
    - Total of 114 citations at the location, central, and bridge
  - Traffic division – The commander allocated their efforts to the westside NW and SW for the month of February. They had 841 traffic stops, anything from expired plates, no license plate, or illegible plates.
  - During an officer's shift, they do an hour shift in that area. They arrested 8 people, including felony arrests, and executed felony and misdemeanor warrants.
- 8. Next meeting April 1, 2026**
- 9. Meeting adjourned 7:40 PM**

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