



Valley
Community Policing Council
Zoom Meeting: 4/22/21

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

CPC member present: Rowan Wymark, Edwina Kiro, Dick Winterbottom, Erin Cohen, Tom O'Keefe

- 1. Call to order – 6:02 pm**
- 2. Old Business:** Valley CPC has presented a recommendation on APD Commander tenure length.
- 3. Supt. Sylvester Stanley Introduces Himself to the Valley CPC:** Speaks on his background, job description and philosophy of police work.
- 4. Questions for Stanley:**
 - Are you taking on part of the Chief of Police's job?
 - How do you stay sane?
 - Will you make educational requirements for more stringent for the police force?
 - What are your three goals for your first 6 months on the job?
- 5. Introduction of Valley CPC**
- 6. More questions for Stanley:**
 - What areas of CASA Compliance need work?
 - Can you change APD's culture at the academy or would that be insufficient?
 - Is there anything about your reservation policing experience that will help with working at APD?
 - What is your vision of culture change?
 - What sort of rewards and benefits will be available for police who ease into Community Policing?

7. **Chief Harold Medina Speaks on the Recent Police Shooting of a Mentally Ill man;** speaks first of the general process involved with an APD police shooting.
8. **Question from Panelist for Medina:**
 - Alleged misbehavior of APD units at a demonstration for the Chauvin verdict.
9. **Chief Medina speaks about the Ambassador Program:** How working at Laguna Pueblo helped his career as a police officer, also what level of education and experience makes a good police officer, the importance of compassion.
10. **Questions for Medina:**
 - What lessons has he learned from the Chauvin Trial?
 - What steps have you taken to restore morale in the Emergency Response Team, from which 15 members have resigned?
 - Have you considered having Sergeants and Lieutenants be part of a separate labor union?
 - Is the minimum mental age for being a police officer still 10th grade?
11. **Council Chair Rowan Wymark Speaks on Why Increased Tenure Length is Important for Area Commanders**
12. **Commander Brown speaks on union membership;** Lt.'s and above are At-Will Employees, and how joining a union is a choice for officers.
13. **Questions for Cmdr. Brown:**
 - How does Community Policing work in the North Valley?
 - How do you envision working with the Albuquerque Community Safety Department?
14. **Dr. Steven Rickman speaks about police departments in other cities divesting certain areas of law enforcement to other city agencies;** Cahoots program in Eugene, Ore., being a model for the Albuquerque program, and the Chauvin verdict.
15. **Maria Wolfe of the Albuquerque Downtown Public Safety Department Speaks on Project Echo**
16. **Commander Brown Speaks on Bike Patrols**
17. **Preview of Next Month's Meeting on Restorative Justice**
18. **Meeting adjourned – 7:38**

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Meeting Recording:

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