



**Valley**  
**Community Policing Council**  
**September 26, 2024**

Approximately 13 members of the public attended, including APD civilians and council members on Zoom

In-person – 10 members including council members, APD, and CPC staff.

CPC members present: Edwina Kiro, Deirdre Ewing, Dick Winterbottom, Tom O’Keefe,

CPC members not present: Philip Jameson, Jaqueline Ritz,

- 1. Call to order-** 6:00 PM
- 2. Approval of September Agenda-** Approved
- 3. Approval of August Minutes –** Approved
- 4. Old/New Business and Community Engagement**
  - There is no crosswalk from Valley apartments. Valley community members are requesting a crosswalk and APD presence.
  - Community members attended the city council meetings and the topic of discussion was the unhoused.
- 5. APD Chief Harold Medina**
  - Crime – Homicide down 12% YTD, In the middle of August it was almost down by 30%. They had a tough nine days of violent crimes, compared to the sixty days. Redistributed resources to central. Aggravated assaults and robberies are down. Auto theft is flat, and burglaries are slightly up, but since 2017 it's down 50%. Traffic enforcement is up, this year there were about 60,000 citations, and last year ended with about 78,000 citations. Felony warrants cleared with an increase of 24% and this year it's up an additional 31%.
  - Staffing – The prison transport unit is fully staffed. Around the spring or summer, they will close to about 1000 officers. They are overstaffed with PSAs by 25. There are two classes of sixteen in the academy and another class starting in October with an additional twenty-two. Retirements have slowed down.
  - DWI – the last officer submitted his retirement letter.
  - Community engagement: The department is creating a comprehensive cultural awareness session for all officers and cadets. The session will be divided into seven sessions.

- They meet with all tribal leaders throughout New Mexico.
- 6. Ian Mentken – Plan for storage of belongings of unhoused**
- Advocate for unhoused for many years
  - The pilot project is up and running and a formal nonprofit as of March of this year.
  - They want to launch five to ten locations within the next few months.
  - Network of volunteers of private citizens allowing them to secure storage facilities on their properties.
  - Connect them to an unhoused person to utilize the storage
  - Community discussion and questions
- 7. Valley Area Commander Jose Sanchez's crime update**
- In August they struggled with violent crimes
  - Resources being allocated where necessary, especially during the state fair and balloon fiesta.
  - October 2, 2024, is National coffee with a cop at Sunday Service Motor Company 2701 4<sup>th</sup> St. NW Albuquerque, NM
- 8. Meeting Adjourned at 7:28 PM**

To watch the Valley CPC September Council Meeting, please click the link below:

Topic: Valley Community Policing Council

Date: September 26, 2024, 06:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

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