

Civilian Police Oversight Advisory Board

Aaron Calderon, Chair
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Zander Bolyanatz, Member
Georgia Duncan, Member
Ricardo Reichsfeld, Member
Diane McDermott, Executive Director, CPOA
Ali Abbasi, Deputy Director, CPOA

Minutes

Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 5:00 PM
Vincent E. Griego Chambers

Members Present: Aaron Calderon, Eduardo Budanauro, Zander Bolyanatz, Ricardo Reichsfeld, Georgia Duncan.

Members Absent: None.

Others present In-Person: Diane McDermott, CPOA Executive Director, Diane McDermott, CPOA Deputy Director, Ali Abbasi, CPOA Executive Assistant Valerie Barela, CPOA Senior Administrative Assistant, Gabe Remer, CPOA Policy Analyst, Cameron Johnson, CPOA Data Analyst, Community Engagement Manager Kelly Mensah, Independent Counsel Robert Kidd, City Attorney Lauren Keefe, City Council Services Chris Sylvan, APD Major IAPS/IAFD Dodi Camacho, APD Commander IAFD Scott Norris, ACS Deputy Director Jeffrey Bustamante.

Others present via Zoom/Webinar: CPOA Investigator Juan Sotres, Compliance Contract Officer Omotayo Olubiyi.

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** Chair Calderon called the meeting to order at approximately 5:06 pm, and a roll call of members present was taken. The delay in the meeting start time was due to GovTV experiencing technical difficulties.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Chair Calderon led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **Approval of the Agenda**
 - a. A motion was made by Chair Calderon to approve the agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Budanauro. The motion was passed unanimously.
- IV. **Review and Approval of Minutes**
 - a. April 9, 2026.

1. Each board member was provided a website link to review the draft minutes from the Civilian Police Oversight Advisory Board's regular meeting on March 12, 2026.
2. A motion was made by Chair Calderon to approve the minutes as written. The Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Budanauro. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Reports from City Departments:

a. APD

1. Internal Affairs Professional Standards (IAPS)– *Major Dodi Camacho*
 - i. A document titled "*Albuquerque Police Department Internal Affairs Professional Standards (IAPS) Division Monthly Report, April 2026*" was distributed electronically to CPOA Board members. For more information, Albuquerque Police Department Internal Affairs Professional Standards Monthly Reports, visit APD's website here: <https://www.cabq.gov/police/public-reports>
 - ii. Major Camacho verbally reported on the number of cases open and completed, the average days to complete the cases is 70 days, sustained findings, and the top SOP (Standard Operating Procedures) for sustained findings.
2. Internal Affairs Force Division (IAFD)- *Commander Scott Norris*
 - i. A document titled *Albuquerque Police Department Monthly Use of Force Report, April 2026*, was distributed to CPOA Board members electronically. For more information, Albuquerque Police Department Monthly Use of Force Reports, visit APD's website here: <https://www.cabq.gov/police/public-reports>
 - ii. Commander Norris announced that the new Use of Force Policies went live on April 18, 2026, noting that reports of information may look different next month, and noted observed trends with the new policies and officers' over-reporting on low-level control from the last policy. He verbally reported the number of the highest-area commands for use of force and the demographics of individuals involved

in force incidents. He concluded his report by stating that one Use of Force Case was found to be out of policy.

- b. ACS- *Jefferey Bustamante, Deputy Director***
 - 1. Jeffrey Bustamante verbally reported on the ACS events, attendance records, and responsiveness to ACS surveys, and upcoming events to include the drive-in movies, social media basketball and volleyball camp, and a pool party. Violence intervention successes were reported, and ACS transports are up.

- c. City Attorney- *Lindsey Rosebrough, Managing Attorney***
 - 1. Lauren Keefe briefed the board on the City of Albuquerque's settlement of the Jesus Crosby case. She touched on the lawsuit filed by the US DOJ related to the Ord the city passed regarding immigration enforcement. The City Legal Department is seeking funding to assist in resolving misdemeanor cases, working in conjunction with the public defenders' offices.

- d. City Council- *Chris Sylvan, Council Services***
 - 1. Chris Sylvan verbally updated the Board on CPOA-related legislation. OC-26-8 was heard at the May 4th council meeting and moved. OC-26-3 was heard, amended, and approved.

- e. Community Policing Council (CPC)- *Marteessa Billy, CPC Office Assistant***
 - 1. Marteessa Billy provided a written report and verbally reported policy recommendations, CPC Council of Chairs meeting with ECC Director and APD command staff regarding the policy recommendations. She also reported on CPC memberships, updated CPC brochures, and Kelly Mensah's attendance at outreach events around the City of Albuquerque and the attendance of city Public Safety officials at the CPC monthly meetings.

- f. CPOA- *Diane McDermott, Executive Director***
 - 1. Diane McDermott reported on complaint intakes, case assignments, and commendations received by the Civilian Police

Oversight Agency (CPOA) in March 2026. She welcomed the newest Board member, Georgia. She provided updates on CPOA job offers for all remaining vacancies. She announced that the Mental Health Advisory Committee, known as MRAC, was dissolved. She provided an update on the Board-concluded trainings and updated trainings. CPOA investigations staff training on the new Force of Use policies. She discussed Global ties ABQ, which will be hosted by the CPOA, noting that the CPOA Chair should be in attendance. She provided more information on the proposed ordinance changes to the Police Oversight Ordinance. She also noted that the City Council would like the Ad Hoc committee to finalize any recommendations on updates to the Police Oversight Ordinance by July 2026. She finalized her report on the budget

- VI. Public Comment.** There were no public comments.
- VII. Serious Use of Force Case(s):** [Standing Item]
 - a. None.
- VIII. Officer-Involved Shooting Case(s):** [Standing Item]
 - a. None.
- IX. Appeals**
 - a. **CPC 247-25**
 - i. Hearing on CPC 247-25
 - ii. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(3) NMSA 1978, excluding deliberations by the CPOAB in connection with an administrative adjudicatory proceeding from the requirements of the NM Open Meetings Act
 - 1. Independent Counsel Robert Kidd reviewed the rules and procedures that the Board and the appellee will follow during the hearing process.
 - 2. Appellant was provided 15 minutes to present his case.
 - 3. CPOA Executive Director Diane McDermott was provided 10 minutes to speak.
 - 4. APD Major Sean Waite was provided 10 minutes to speak.

5. APD Officer involved was not present.
6. Appellant was provided an additional 5 minutes to speak.
 - ii. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(3) NMSA 1978, excluding deliberations by the CPOAB in connection with an administrative adjudicatory proceeding from the requirements of the NM Open Meetings Act.
 1. **Motion.** A motion was made by Chair Calderon that the Board convene into closed session as authorized by the administrative adjudicatory proceedings exception to the open meeting act for a limited purpose of discussing the matters presented in CPC #247-25. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Budanauro. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

******Closed session discussions on administrative adjudicatory proceedings for CPC #247-25 began at approximately 6:16 p.m., and the meeting reconvened at approximately 6:35 p.m.******

2. **Motion.** Chair Calderon made a motion to come out of deliberation. Member Bolyanatz seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.
3. Member Bolyanatz provided the appellant with the role of the CPOAB, stating that they do not have the authority over the content of the report and, under the Police Oversight Ordinance, do not have the authority to direct APD to revise a police report. He noted that the appeals will be utilized to improve APD polices, and provided the determination of the Board deliberations, stating that for CPC 247-25,

the Board affirms and upholds the findings of the CPOA.

4. **Motion.** Member Bolyanatz moved that the Board affirm the findings of the CPOA for CPC 247-25. Member Duncan seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

b. CPC 128-25

- i. Hearing on CPC 128-25
- ii. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(3) NMSA 1978, excluding deliberations by the CPOAB in connection with an administrative adjudicatory proceeding from the requirements of the NM Open Meetings Act
 - a. CPC 128-25 was withdrawn by the appellant.

c. CPC 129-25

- i. Hearing on CPC 129-25
- ii. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(3) NMSA 1978, excluding deliberations by the CPOAB in connection with an administrative adjudicatory proceeding from the requirements of the NM Open Meetings Act
 - a. CPC 129-25 was withdrawn by the appellant.

X. Report from CPOAB Subcommittee(s):

a. Policy and Procedure Review Subcommittee – Eduardo Budanauro

1. A meeting was held on May 7, 2026, at 3 p.m.
2. Report from Subcommittee
 - a. Chair of the Policy and Procedure Review Subcommittee, Eduardo Budanauro, reported that a meeting was held on May 7, 2026, and that the next meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2026, at 3 pm.
3. Next meeting, June 4, 2026, at 3 p.m.

*****A dinner break began at approximately 6:37 p.m., and the meeting reconvened at approximately 7:08 p.m.*****

XI. Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Public Safety ECHO Board Member Representative – *Chris Sylvan***
 - 1. Member Budanauro and Member Reichsfeld volunteer to attend the Public Safety ECHO event on May 20, 2026.
- b. Board Chair Representation at Global Ties ABQ – *Diane McDermott***
 - 1. Chair Calderon will attend the Global Ties ABQ event hosted by the CPOA as a representative for the CPOAB.
- c. CPOA Draft Semi-Annual Report (July 2025 - December 2025) – *Gabe Remer***
 - 1. Gabe Remer presented the July 2025 – December 2025 Semi Annual Report.
 - 2. A motion was made by Chair Calderon to approve the semi-annual report from July 2025 through December 2025, and direct the CPOA to submit it to the City Council for review and approval. Member Bolyanatz seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.
- d. Ad Hoc Audit Committee – *Chair Calderon***
 - 1. Chair Calderon and Member Duncan were assigned as members of the Ad Hoc Audit Committee. The meeting date and time will be determined.
- e. APD Policy – *Gabe Remer***
 - 1. No Recommendation(s):**
 - A. SOP 1-56 Horse Mounted Unit**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 1-56.
 - B. SOP 1-62 Internal Affairs Professional Standards Division**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 1-62.
 - C. SOP 1-65 Metropolitan Court Protection**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 1-65.
 - D. SOP 2-3 Firearms and Ammunition Authorization**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-3.
 - E. SOP 2-15 Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (SUAS) Operations**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-15.
 - F. SOP 2-38 Daily Staffing and Briefings**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-38.
 - G. SOP 2-43 Roadblocks and Checkpoints**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-43.
 - H. SOP 2-48 Towing Services**
 - i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-48.
 - I. SOP 2-51 Safe Driver Award Program**

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-51.

J. SOP 2-59 Extreme Risk Firearm Protection Order

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-59.

K. SOP 2-69 Informants

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-69.

L. SOP 2-92 Crimes Against Children Investigations

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-92.

M. SOP 2-104 Civil Disputes

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 2-104.

N. SOP 3-30 Line Inspection Process

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 3-30.

O. SOP 3-44 Review of Completed Administrative Investigation Cases

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 3-44.

P. SOP 3-47 Acceptance of Disciplinary Action and Right to Appeal

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 3-47.

Q. SOP 3-51 Department Orders

i. There were no policy recommendations for SOP 3-51.

f. APD Response to Policy Recommendation(s): [Standing Item]

1. Gabe Remer reported to the Board on the responses he received from APD regarding SOP 1-1 Transit Safety Section (TSS) and SOP 2-7 Damage to Loss of Civilian Property, and provided high-level Use of Force review policy recommendation responses.

XII. Other Business

- a. Chair Calderon stated that the working group will reconvene to revamp the ordinance, and in July 2026, will establish the Ad Hoc Ordinance Committee.
- b. Chair Calderon requested that Board members forward their Q2 APD ride-along date and time preferences to him by close of business on Friday.

XIII. Adjournment- *The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 11, 2026.*

- a. **Motion.** A motion was made by Chair Calderon to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Member Bolyantz. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.
- b. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:59 p.m.

APPROVED:

Aaron Calderon, Chair
Civilian Police Oversight Advisory Board

Date

CC: Isaac Padilla, City Council Staff
Ethan Watson, City Clerk
Klarissa Pena, City Council President

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