

Northeast

Community Policing Council

Zoom Meeting: 4/13/21

Approximately 40 members of the public attended, including APD civilians and sworn

CPC member present: Vicki Williams, Casandra Morrison, Kenneth Armijo, Roy Turpen, Troy Taylor, Zayn Bin-Bilal, Francine Lopez, William Orr

- 1. Call to order 6:33PM
- 2. APD Police Chief Harold Medina speaks about Changes within the Police Department, Community Ties with Nontraditional Groups and the Ambassador Program.

3. Questions for the Chief:

- Why is there distrust between APD beat cops and IA?
- What is APD doing to build Morale?
- How are you changing APD's "Business as Usual" attitude regarding low morale and relations with leadership?
- Is there an official order not to arrest misdemeanor suspects?
- 4. Lt. Greg Webber speaks about amnesty for misdemeanor suspects and how it is not an official policy.
- 5. More questions for Lt. Webber / Chief Medina:
 - Is there a list of misdemeanors officers are told not to arrest for? If so, what is the reason?
 - With the spiraling homicide rate, will you ask for federal help?
 - How does APD fund the Community Engagement Program?
 - Do you believe that misdemeanor arrest acts a deterrent?

- To what do you attribute high attrition rates?
- Do you think Use of Force incidents within APD are excessive?
- When was the last time an officer was terminated due to excessive force?
- How much has the Court Approved Settlement Agreement been referenced in training new officers?
- Do you feel that lack of transparency makes it appear that APD is hiding transgressions?
- Out of all NECPC recommendations, which did you like the most?
- What is the role of Block Captains and Neighborhood Watch within APD?
- How do you plan to address taking over a program that has a long history of mistrust?
- What do you say about the number of officers retiring, leaving or separating during your leadership?
- How do you plan to fix the relationship between APOA and APD?
- Please explain why officers are parked at the APD Substations, rather than on the streets?
- What is the promotion process between Lt. and Cmdr.? Who is involved in making the decision?
- What is the mentoring program for new recruits?
- Will you establish stronger communication with victims of crime?
- What will APD do about the increase in property crime that will occur with marijuana now legal in Albuquerque?
- What is being done to increase shortages in the narcotics department?
- What is the status of the investigation of the homicide a few days ago on San Pedro and Osuna?
- Will the Citizen's Policing Academy continue to be open to ordinary citizens, or will it be restricted to CPC and CPOA board members?
- Will you make public your goals for the department? How do you plan to accomplish them, what are the challenges?
- Is the Community Contact App working?

- 6. Lt. Jennifer Garcia speaks about the Community Contact App.
- **7.** Question for the council; How does APD intend to hire civil unrest/ protests involving minority issues?
- 8. New Business: Upcoming CPC Town Hall, instituting the STAT tool for CPC use.
- Issue called for a vote: Recommendation to have a decision maker at every NECPC meeting: Confirmed.

10. NE Crime Report/ Sgt. Dain Symes

- Property Crimes 269
- \circ Auto Burglaries 88
- \circ Vandalism 107
- Auto Theft 66
- Commercial Burglary 39
- Residential Burglary 54
- Domestic Violence- 214
- \circ Simple Assault 105
- o Aggravated Assault and Battery- 66
- Robbery 141
- Criminal Sexual Penetration 9
- \circ Homicide 2
- 11. Total Calls for Service: 5,328
- 12. Use of Force:
 - o Level 1:2
 - o Level 2: 7
 - Level 3: 2
- 13. Use of Force Per 1,000: 1.43

14. Questions for Sgt. Symes:

- Is there an attack plan for Domestic Violence?
- 15. Sgt. Symes speaks on plan and Domestic Violence brochure.

- **16. Officer Alex Rahimi speaks on Recruiting:** Fitness levels, mentorship, recruiting event in El Paso, TX,
- **17.** Questions for Officer Rahimi:
 - Does APD Recruit for all levels of the PD simultaneously?
 - How is recruiting taking legal marijuana use by police officers?

18. Meeting adjourned: 8:18 PM

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