



Valley
Community Policing Council
Zoom Meeting: 5/27/21

Approximately 32 members of the public attended, including APD civilians and councilmembers
CPC members present: Rowan Wymark, Edwina Kiro, Tom O’Keefe, Dick Winterbottom, Jacqueline Ritz

- 1. Call to order – 6:04 PM**
- 2. Acceptance of April Minutes, Approved**
- 3. Acceptance of May Agenda, Approved**
- 4. Introduction of Lt. John R. Gonzalez for an update on the Findings of IMR-13:**
Independent Monitor’s Review team, links to settlement information, CASA sections, CASA Document, APD progress from IMR one to thirteen. Analysis on changes.
- 5. Panel Discussion on Restorative Justice:** Tonia Covington, Rapid Accountability Diversion Program Manager, City of Albuquerque, Jim Harvey, Executive Director, Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice, Alfred Mathewson, Executive Director UNM Law School.
- 6. Covington Presented on Themes of Restorative Justice, Charges Applicable to Admittance to the Program**
- 7. Questions:**
 - How would Restorative Justice work when there is not a clear, identified victim?
 - What is the process of RJ itself?
- 8. Covington Gave Local Examples of successful RJ cases**
- 9. Questions:**
 - Have you had problems with police who feel they should still be involved after entry in the RJ program?

10. Jim Harvey Spoke on RJ Making Crime Plummet in Communities

11. Covington Spoke on Some of the Challenges Facing Young Lower-Income Youth Today

12. Harvey Says That These Social Programs Present an Alternative to a Uniformed Police Presence which can be Off-putting

13. Questions

Is RJ program only for juveniles?

- **Are you able to engage with APS?**

14. Alfred Mathewson spoke on the relation between RJ and the CASA: Also student involvement, and the Truth and Reconciliation process, and community healing.

15. Questions:

- Other than APS have other school districts shown an interest in RJ?

16. Covington and Harvey spoke on the limits of RJ: mental illness making some unfit to commit to the program, APS bureaucracy.

17. Harvey spoke on the Benefits of RJ to APD

18. Area Cmdr. Brown agreed on the benefits of Restorative Justice; and categorizes a few of the reasons why the program is under-utilized.

19. Questions:

- What is the School to Prison Pipeline?
- Would the program be applicable for street racers?

20. Cmdr. Brown Spoke on the Rapid Accountability Diversion Program: What cases will apply, rolling out in Albuquerque, giving out flyers to officers to hand out.

21. Community Member Doreen McKnight Came on to Express Her Disappointment with the Police Union's *Crime Matters More* campaign: Dissatisfaction with Police Union implying that Community Policing and Reduced Crime are at odds.

- Covington implied that the campaign has racist tendencies.
- Officer Kevin Napoleone said that the views of the Police Union is not representative of that of the APD Rank and File.

22. Public Comment

23. Valley Area Command Crime Report 4/24-5/24: Laura Trujillo, Crime Prevention Specialist

- Commercial Burglaries – 12
- Residential Burglaries – 19
- Vehicle Burglaries – 50
- Auto Theft – 48
- Recovered Vehicles - 29
- Carjacking – 1
- Commercial Robbery – 6
- Robbery by gunpoint – 4
- Robbery by strongarm – 2

24. Questions:

- Are there any specific parts of the Command Area in which crime has increased?

25. **Public Comment:** Speeding on Mountain and 4th st., gunshots, Shot Spotter.

26. **Meeting Adjourned** – 8:06PM

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