Recommendation Submission/Response Form

Recommended CASA area (A,B,C,D,E): ___A___

This response is in reference to recommendation #18-01 APD Show Cars/ Area Command Northwest
Responsible SME: Sergeant D. Martinez
Date received: 3/14/18
Date returned: 4/4/19

RECOMMENDATION (Recommendation/Reasoning must be 500 words or less for submission):
We recommend that the department commit to a program of restoring the former patrol vehicles, a 1963 Ford Galaxy and 1976 Plymouth Fury, seeking assistance from civilian businesses when possible. We further recommend that the department dedicate such resources as necessary to transport said vehicles to and from car events, such as car trailers that could be towed by department from a group of dedicated department members who will maintain those vehicles and be present to represent the department at events whenever possible. These cars, and current patrol vehicles, could be features at events such as; New Mexico State Fair, Balloon Fiesta, Shop & Stroll at Nob Hill, Parades (4th of July, Twinkle Lights, etc), New Mexico International Auto Show and Misc. car shows and car events.

APD RESPONSE/REASONING:
The Albuquerque Police Department is already committed to restoring and showing the former patrol vehicles (classic cars). In addition to the 1963 Ford Galaxy and 1976 Plymouth Fury, APD also has a 1996 Chevrolet Caprice and a 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS. APD is currently looking into restoring the exterior of the 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS, which includes help from civilian businesses. All four of the classic cars are functioning and are driven to special events. APD currently displays these vehicles at City of Albuquerque events, such as the State Fair Parade and the Twinkle Light Parade. APD also displays the classic cars at community events around the City, which includes events like Coffee with a Cop, neighborhood organizations, and private car shows. APD also displays current patrol vehicles at these same events. The Operations Review is responsible for the classic cars and has a four person team dedicated to these vehicles,
which includes all maintenance and upkeep. APD also utilizes civilian businesses for periodic detailing work to maintain the interior and exterior of the classic vehicles. APD is currently working on a plan to store all the classic cars inside so they are out of the elements to maintain their appearance.

Chief made aware of recommendation: Yes ☒ No ☐

Recommendation Status: Approved ☒ Denied ☐ Needs more time ☐