



CREATING POSITIVE CHANGE

Foothills Area Command Community Policing Council

Meeting Minutes

Monday 13 February 2017 6-7:50 pm

Holiday Park Community Center

11710 Comanche Road NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111

1. Call to order—Doug Brosveen, Vice-Chair

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

2. Introductions of Council and Visitors

Several APD officers were present, in addition to Foothills staff.

3. Review/amendment/approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as written.

4. Review/correction/approval of Minutes from January 9th meeting *

Upon motion by Abbin, seconded by Kontny, the minutes were approved.

5. APD Communications—

a. Report on crimes in the Foothills Crime Report from APD (appended)

Cmdr Rodgers reported on violet crimes—aggravated assault increased while aggravated battery went down by half. Sex crimes went down 33%. The rate of commercial burglary rocketed from 3 to 25, though arrest of burglary “crews” resolved a large number of these crimes.

Sgt Anaya reported that the number of stolen vehicles in the Foothills Area Command is still very high—65 in January, with 11 of these “warmup” thefts. There are generally three possibilities for stolen vehicles—they are driven to Mexico, they are taken to chop shops and stripped or they have been used for joyrides. The last are usually recovered within a couple of days. Most of the stolen vehicles are older (2008 or before, except for Ford 350 trucks which are relatively easy to steal, apparently).

Residential burglaries remain numerous, with many preventable. 154 vehicle burglaries were reported in January; more than 28 weapons were stolen among these, along with lots of valuables (see list in the report).

b. Reports from Nicole Chavez-Lucero

\$3100 was raised from Hot Dogs with a Cop.

APD has partnered with local business members for the Six-Sigma process (project management process) in order to monitor the Settlement agreement progress going forward.

6. Featured Speaker: Discussion of Use of Force Policy 2-52-3-A: General Requirements and Expectations (Lt Bret White)

Lt White provided a detailed review of the General Requirements for officer responses to situations, based on the three principles—a) Was the officer action legal? B) Was it necessary in that situation? c) Was it justified? All from the viewpoint of the perspective of an officer on the scene. In contrast to past times, there is now an array of nonlethal tools (Taser, pepper spray, etc.) available to an officer; these allow for a “layered” or progressive response, if the situation permits.

“Reasonableness”: is judged on the basis of the situation at that time, understanding that it often requires split-second responses and takes into account a range of conditions and officer perceptions (knowledge by the officer of the subject’s conditions and possibly history, comparative sizes of the officer and subject, opportunities for de-escalation, and others).

“When force is necessary and objectively reasonable, officers must strive to use the minimum amount of force necessary in the available range of objectively reasonable force options. In addition, officers are called upon to “continually assess the effectiveness of their actions and consider the desired outcome for the level of force used, where feasible.” Any unreasonable use of force is not justified. Within APD, all use of force incidents are reviewed thoroughly.

With regard to officer responses, Lt White noted that he has told his officers in the Foothills not to go to calls without their back-up but there are still calls we get sent to that can be dispatched as a single unit. He said that it is not a city wide policy to always send two units to every call.

In conjunction with the use of force guidelines, Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training began within APD in the 1990s. All officers are trained in the first level of CIT, with annual update training. More specialized and intensive training is given to those officers who are negotiators or members of mobile crisis teams.

A citizen submitted a question regarding the relationship of APD and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Cmdr Rodgers was emphatic that APD does not gather citizenship information from anyone and does not convey any information to ICE. Occasionally, and upon request, APD will contact a person’s foreign consulate to alert them of an arrest or contact. Also, there are no longer ICE representatives stationed at the jail.

7. Pulse of the Neighborhoods—reports from CPC members and citizens

Council member Abbin reported his discomfort when hearing that a neighbor might plan to take matters into his own hands, rather than rely on APD.

A neighborhood representative expressed concern about the robbery of a pizza delivery person.

In response to one attendee’s complaint that he could not get the aid he sought at the substation, Cmdr Rodgers noted that the substations do not generally have officer on-site, due to the current personnel situation. Civilian employees at the substation are not allowed to take any suspect information. The best ways to contact APD are through 242-COPS or 311.

8. Recommendations

No recommendations were brought forward this month.

9. Other business

a. Recruitment of new CPC members

b. Recommendations for speakers

The March meeting presentation by Jill Garcia will focus on crime prevention.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm upon motion by Layden, seconded by Abbin.

Next meeting: Monday 13 March 2017 6-7:50 pm Holiday Park Community Center

Comments or questions:

Carolyn Wilson, CPC Chair
Doug Brosveen, CPC Vice-Chair
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ATTENDEES:

CPC Members:

Joseph Abbin
Douglas Brosveen, Vice-Chair
Rod Kontny
Dianne Layden
Sabrina Slauson, Youth Representative (absent)
Carolyn Wilson, Chair (brief appearance)
Philip Crump, Facilitator

APD Foothills Area Command:

Cdr Shane Rodgers
Lt Bret White
Sgt Adam Anaya

APD Community Outreach:

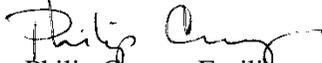
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Civilian Police Oversight Agency:

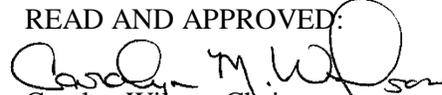
Edward Harness
Amanda Bustos

12 first-time and 13 returning Visitors and Neighborhood representatives attended the meeting.

SUBMITTED:


Philip Crump, Facilitator

READ AND APPROVED:


Carolyn Wilson, Chair

* Minutes of CPC meetings are posted at <http://www.cabq.gov/police/community-policing-council/community-policing-council-minutes>



Crime in the Foothills Area Command: January 2017

Armed Robberies to Businesses: 20

Robberies to an Individual: 5

Robbery/Residential (Home Invasion): 2

Robbery/Vehicle (Car Jacking): 2

Stolen Vehicles: 65

- 11 of these stolen while left warming up and unattended; one led to tragic deaths.
- 23 Additional attempts to steal vehicles during an auto burglaries

Commercial Burglaries: 21

Residential Burglaries: 59

- Entries: open garages, damaging front door, windows/glass patio doors.
- Targeted in January: Vacant homes, homes under renovation or being built, homes where owner was recently deceased/unoccupied.

Auto Burglaries: 154

Firearms stolen in the Foothills in January burglaries: 28+

Unexact number due to victims not even having a count of how many guns they own or how many total were stolen.

What are you leaving behind in your vehicle??

Articles stolen in the Foothills in January from vehicles:

- Guns, knives, an axe, pepper spray.
- Military gear including body armor.
- Keys/key fobs, garage door openers, house keys, keys to work sites.
- Wallets, purses, back packs, book bags, briefcase, and several sets of luggage.
- Computers, electronics, cell phone and accessories, GPS units, vehicle kits, batteries.
- Passports, IDs, credit cards, reg/insurance, tax papers, checkbooks. Social Security cards, credit card, birth certificates, vehicle title, graduation records.
- Rock climbing equipment, golf clubs, Cell phones, computers/electronics, video games, chargers/accessories.
- School books, jewelry, make up, gym bags, clothing, appointment book.
- Whiskey collection.

SPECIAL NOTICE:

Mail theft: it is W-2 time and income tax refund time – I expect increased incidents of mail theft for the next several months.

I also expect, as we already saw in January, tax documents being left in vehicles will be stolen.

Fliers and brochures on mail theft and protecting your mail have been provided to apartment partners, NAs, Neighborhood Watch Block Captain, placed in the substation lobby, brought to January community meetings and Jill's piece on mail theft will be in the February "Neighborhood News" edition.

Resources – Things to Know About:

- **SUBSCRIBE! Foothills web site: www.foothillsareacommand.com.**
- **This is your source for crime prevention information directly from the APD Foothills Crime Prevention Specialist.**

To track crime on your own or receive e-alert emails about types of crimes at locations city-wide, see: www.crimemapping.com