



## **Foothills Area Command Community Policing Council**

### **Minutes of the Meeting**

**Monday 6 July 2015: 6:00pm – 7:50pm**  
**Holiday Park Community Center**  
**11710 Comanche Road NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111**

**1. Call to order—Carolyn Wilson, Chair**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm, with a quorum present.

**2. Review/approval of agenda**

Upon motion of Doug Brosveen, seconded by Ryan Trujillo, the agenda was approved as distributed.

**3. Review/approval of minutes from June 1st meeting**

Upon motion of Doug Brosveen, seconded by Joe Abbin, the minutes were approved as distributed.

**4. APD Communications—**

“Snapshot” of Area activities (Lt. Eric Jordan)

There was an uptick in property crimes in June, especially auto burglaries. Lt. Jordan noted that a number of burglaries have taken place when garage door openers were stolen from cars.

Offenders are stealing garage door openers left in vehicles parked outside overnight and using garage door opener to then burglarize the garage, enter the home while occupants are sleeping and also stealing vehicles from the garage.

In addition to the cautionary note regarding garage door openers, he said that small measures—such as being sure car windows and doors are locked when one feels unsafe—help prevent the small things that lead to bigger crimes

In response to CPC member questions, he said that there is ongoing investigation of the recent area homicides.

Wednesday workshops—see attached flier

APD Foothills Crime Prevention will be hosting free, one hour community workshops on a Wednesday evening once a month to provide you with crime prevention information and resources.

#### Reports from Celina Espinoza

Per the Foothills CPC recommendation, “To protect and serve” is being placed on the new patrol cars on cars; there is no extra charge when it is part of the design package. All APD cars will have “To protect and serve” on them in 2016.

Lt Middleton noted that APD asked officers what they wanted in the new units. He said that the new cars are great. Each car’s total cost is approximately \$42000.

Ms Espinoza noted that the CPC schedules, agendas and minutes are or will be under the “police” tab on the City website [cabq.gov](http://cabq.gov).

In response to a question regarding the functions of the CPC, the Council was referred to Paragraph 269 of the DOJ Settlement. Paragraphs 269 and 270 are attached.

She said that she will recommend an abbreviated Citizen Academy for CPC members. Oversight Commission members are required to attend the full Academy.

Lt Middleton noted that there are many group homes for the mentally ill in the Foothills Area He said that he and other officers are making efforts to introduce themselves to the residents before APD gets any calls, so that they are known to the residents when they respond to a call, to reduce the anxiety and resistance that they might encounter.

A neighbor suggested that APD connect with the Office of Neighborhood Coordination for coordination and dissemination of APD/CPC information, through the ONC newsletter.

## **5. Recommendations**

Recommendation 9.3 ( “Recommend that the City and the Mental Health Community evaluate the concept of a Mental Health Professional accompanying an APD Officer when dealing with individuals with known or suspected “Mental Health/Suicide issues.”)--

Dianne Layden brought forward Lisa Quigley articles: NM has a higher % of people with MH issues. In the “Tucson system,” officers pick up person and drop off at a MH Center.

Lt Middleton reported that the issue is how to get a MH professional in the police car; there has been work on this for over a year. The “Layer force involves a number of officers responding, though there is only one lead. He reported that communication with MH community has improved. There is also a Crisis Negotiation Team including PhD psychologist. The hardest problem for APD is finding the right psychologist. Finding the right fit could be a useful item in a resume of a new psych graduate. The last Legislature tried to pass a Katie’s Law, to force people with serious MH issues into help. It did not pass.

Doug Brosveen will revise the Recommendation (as 9.4) prior to the next CPC meeting.

Recommendation 8.2 (“APD appoint an agency or individual to monitor active news media stories that involve Officers in a positive manner. Once identified the officer would be contacted for their approval and input to prepare the timely news release.”)—

Celina Espinoza and Tanner Tixier are asking officers for their positive activities, but have not to date been asking for officers' input and approval. The recommendation was approved unanimously for forwarding to APD.

## **6. Pulse of the Neighborhoods—reports from CPC members**

A neighbor reported on actions of officers immediately after the shooting on their street—grateful for 4 minute response and compassionate detective. Celina Espinoza noted that Talk with a Cop (<http://talkwithacop.com/>) is a place to send kudos

Visitor Roger Mickalson reported that the East Gateway Coalition is looking for community-wide issues, especially regarding APD. Response times are sometimes slow, recognizing that there are priorities. News media doesn't look for good news. The Albuquerque Optimist Club recognizes an officer/detective of the month. Lt Middleton reported that officers really appreciate the awards.

Ryan Trujillo said that in his neighborhood, they have Neighborhood Watch but don't know who it is. They could use yard signs. One neighbor recommended cameras in parks. It was reported that mobile surveillance cameras are available, but not permanent ones. He said also that he was concerned when he noticed a neighboring house with open doors. He contacted APD and 2 officers arrived. He asked for a follow-up report.

There was a question about Crisis Intervention Team training. All officers get the 40 hours after having had some field experience; some get advanced training. Now 95% are CIT certified. Lt Jordan has received additional specialized training. Starting 2016, all police officers have to have statewide CIT training.

## **7. Other business**

### **8. Set draft agenda items for next meeting:**

- a. Re-worded draft Recommendation 8.1 (Doug Brosveen)
- b. Link to access "Good News" on City website (Celina Espinoza)

### **9. Adjournment**

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

### **Next meeting:**

**Monday 3 August 2015 6-7:50 pm Holiday Park Community Center**

### **Comments or questions:**

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### **Attendees:**

#### **CPC Members:**

Joseph Abbin  
Douglas Brosveen, Vice-Chair  
Dianne Layden  
Ryan Trujillo

Carolyn Wilson, Chair  
Philip Crump, Facilitator

#### **FAC representatives:**

Cmdr John Thies

Lt Eric Jordan  
Officer Colby Phillips

Visitors:  
Ginger Chapman  
Jean Effron

Daniel & Erika Ebbs  
Judith Minks  
Roger Mickalson  
Deborah Williams

**Paragraphs 269 and 270 of the DOJ Settlement Agreement, pertaining to the CPC:**

269. APD shall seek the Community Policing Councils' assistance, counsel, recommendations, or participation in areas including:

- a) reviewing and assessing the propriety and effectiveness of law enforcement priorities and related community policing strategies, materials, and training;
- b) reviewing and assessing concerns or recommendations about specific APD policing tactics and initiatives;
- c) providing information to the community and conveying feedback from the community to APD;
- d) advising the Chief on recruiting a qualified, diverse workforce; and
- e) advising the Chief on ways to collect and publicly disseminate data and information, including information about APD's compliance with this Agreement, in a transparent and public-friendly format to the greatest extent allowable by law.

270. The Community Policing Councils shall memorialize their recommendations in an annual public report that shall be posted on the City's website. The report shall include appropriate safeguards not to disclose information that is legally exempt or protected from disclosure.

SUBMITTED:

  
Philip Crump, Facilitator

READ AND APPROVED:

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Carolyn Wilson, Chair