



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

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday 6 June 2016 6:00pm – 7:50pm**

**APD Foothills Substation**  
**12800 Lomas Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112**

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

Due to the unexpected closure of the regular meeting venue at Holiday Park CC, thanks to quick action on the part of Doug Brosveen and Lt Eric Jordan, the meeting was convened at Foothills Substation. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm.

**2. Review/amendment/approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved unanimously, with one amendment—the question of future location, upon motion by Brosveen, seconded by Layden.

**3. Review/correction/approval of Minutes from May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting**

The minutes were approved unanimously, upon motion by Abbin, seconded by Brosveen.

**4. APD Communications—**

**a. “Snapshot” of Area activities**

Lt Jordan provided a review of May’s Crime Report. He noted that, with the warm weather, the number of “warm-up” vehicle thefts has dropped. However, the emergence of RVs, campers, AVs has brought about an increase in the number of thefts of those vehicles.

He noted a continuing problem of unforced entries into residences as well as vehicles—vehicles, doors and windows are left unlocked. Firearms are being stolen in a number of these burglaries.

Lt Jordan asked that people contact Foothills Area Command through the website <http://www.foothillsareacommand.com/> rather than through NextDoor or social media. City crime reports can be found through [www.CrimeMapping.com](http://www.CrimeMapping.com).

Jill Garcia, the Crime Prevention Specialist in Foothills Area Command, is available to conduct a residential security evaluation (at no cost). She can be contacted at the substation (505) 332-5240.

**b. Report on crimes against persons in the Foothills Crime Report from APD**

Will be coming in July.

**c. Reports from Celina Espinoza**

Celina was unable to attend the meeting, but did send an email report:

We have water bill ads scheduled to run in November. I would love input on design. I will run final approval by all the CPCs

We have requested to hire me an assistant (likely end of June) to help mainly with CPCs.

Our digital billboards should be running now – I'll send a snapshot as soon as I get one – across the city

And (you got it here first folks) 36 of our 37 DOJ policies have been approved. I will send them to you as soon as they are posted.

I will also have news on the new Office of Policy Development where we hope to really ascertain feedback from the community (mainly through the CPCs) about policy revisions. As soon as it's set in stone – I will send out an explanatory email.

- d.** Bill Slauson, policy and planning director for APD, described the newly-created Office of Policy Analysis, the purpose of which is to facilitate productive analysis and development of APD policies, especially those scrutinized by the DOJ Settlement Agreement. The CPCs will be the repository and channel for citizen review and commentary. The primary goal of the CPCs in this process is policy review and recommendation—basically asking the question of whether the policy working. Every policy has a recurrent 6 month review date. He said that every person who comments will get a response. The next Monitor's Report is due on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. It will state that 5 policies have been reviewed and adopted by the end of March. In fact, 36 of 37 policies have been reviewed and adopted as of the date of this meeting. An APD progress report authored by Bill Slauson was issued in early May. [That report may be viewed at <http://www.cabq.gov/police/documents/monthly-reports/third-usdoj-progress-report-executive-summary.pdf>]

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

There was discussion of the “riot” that accompanied the visit of Donald Trump to the Convention Center—whether the anti-Trump activists were local or not, how well the APD officers were protected, and whether the actions of the police were appropriate. Lt Jordan noted that there is an APD evaluation of the incident, to determine what can be learned. He said that in his career, this was only the third such incident he knew of, but APD must always be ready to respond appropriately.

Joe Abbin reported on input from his neighbors--that the police response to the Trump riot appeared to be poorly planned and certainly under-responsive. This is perceived to be a management problem, not a problem with the line officers who apparently were instructed to take the abuse.

A citizen asked about the department's beanbag policy. Lt Jordan noted that it is covered under the Use of Force policies.

## 6. Recommendations

### a. Discussion of a recommendation to add CPC info flyer to water bills

The email from Celina indicates that the water bill insert is going to happen. Nevertheless, the CPC voted unanimously (upon motion by Layden, seconded by Abbin) to send forward the recommendation crafted by Joe Abbin and Doug Brosveen. It was suggested that the insert include a map of the area command boundaries. The draft recommendation is appended to these Minutes. Following the May CPC meeting, this recommendation was carried forward by Celina and is being implemented by APD before Foothills CPC has actually formally submitted it.

## 7. Other business

### a. CPC Stakeholders List

This item was not discussed.

### b. Recruitment of new CPC members

Citizen attendees were urged to consider membership on the Council, and to encourage neighbors to do so as well. [The application for membership may be found at <http://www.cabq.gov/mayor/police-outreach/community-policing-council-application/community-policing-council-application>]

### c. Meeting of CPCs with Steve Rickman

A note to all CPC members from the US Attorney's office stated, "I write at the request of Steve Rickman, the community engagement and community policing expert on Dr. Ginger's monitoring team. As discussed during the CPC orientation sessions in April, Steve has scheduled a meeting during the Monitoring Team's June site visit to follow up on the orientation and to establish protocols for future monthly conference calls. The meeting is scheduled at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at the U.S. Attorney's Office... which is located at 201 Third Street NW, Suite 900, in downtown Albuquerque."

### d. Meeting location

Given the unexpected change of location, it was agreed that, in the event Holiday Park is not available, the Foothills Substation is available.

## 8. Set draft agenda items for next meeting

Crimes Against Persons will be presented at the next meeting.

## 9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

### Next meeting:

**Monday 11 July 2016 6-7:50 pm Holiday Park Community Center**

### Comments or questions:

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| Philip Crump, CPC Facilitator | (505) 989-8558 philip@pcmediate.com |

### ATTENDEES:

CPC Members:

Joseph Abbin  
Douglas Brosveen, Vice-Chair  
Dianne Layden  
Sabrina Slauson, Youth Representative  
Ryan Trujillo (absent)  
Carolyn Wilson, Chair  
Philip Crump, Facilitator  
APD FAC representatives:  
Lt Eric Jordan  
APD:  
Bill Slauson, Administrative Support

Visitors and Neighborhood representatives:

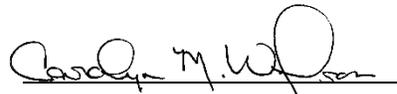
Armando Lara  
Brennan Williams  
Deborah Williams, Neighborhood Watch,  
Phoenix & Marie Park  
Tony Probst, Valley Area  
Karen Reuben, Quail Ridge Association  
Theodore Hamby, Glenwood Hills  
Kevin Smith, Juan Tabo Hills  
Todd Kerstine, SE CPC

SUBMITTED:



Philip Crump, Facilitator

READ AND APPROVED:



Carolyn Wilson, Chair

### **Recommendation (DRAFT) 10.3 “APD Develop & Distribute a Community Policing Council Information Brochure”**

#### **RATIONALE:**

The APD/DOJ Agreement (paragraphs 266-270) established the requirement to establish “Community Policing Council’s” (CPC’s) in each area command to establish a communication bridge between area command officers and the citizens they serve. The CPC’s would further provide a formal means for submitting recommendations to improve the police-community relationship.

CPC’s have been meeting now for over a year and a half. Their success has been limited to personal one on one contacts with the police and citizens in the community. Significantly increasing citizen attendance and participation would make every CPC more effective. Efforts to increase communication by contacting block captains and establishing mailing lists of council minutes and agendas have met with some success. However, ongoing efforts to increase community wide knowledge and participation have been minimal.

A significant majority of citizens within each Area Command receive water bills from the city. Inclusion of a CPC informational flyer along with the water bill would provide a relatively low cost means to remind citizens of the existence of the CPC’s, their purpose, when and where the CPC’s meet in each area command, and provide a citywide contact for further information.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Foothills Community Policing Council recommends that APD/CPC provide an informational sheet/brochure/insert for inclusion with the City of ABQ water bills. The purpose of the insert is to invite public participation in the CPC. This insert will state the objectives of the CPC, provide location and meetings times for all CPC meetings, and include contact information for further information.

This “insert” will be available in both paper and electronic formats to facilitate additional distribution options.