

Foothills Area Command Community Policing Council

Minutes of the Meeting

Monday 4 May 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 6:04; a quorum was present

2. Review/approval of agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

3. Review/approval of minutes from April 6th meeting

Upon motion by Doug Brosveen; seconded by Carolyn Wilson.

4. APD Communications—

a. "Snapshot" of Area activities

Two purse snatchings. Note that home invasions are rare—none this month. Project focus was successful in reducing crimes; new project area near Best Buy

Code enforcement in Hotel Row.

Changes within Area command Cmdr. Thies retiring. Cmdrs stay various lengths of service.

Yearly bids coming up—for shift changes, days off, etc. Probationary officers (newly graduated) will be assigned to mentors throughout the city. They will not be full officers until September.

Community meetings—10 to 15 per month. More meetings with NAs and coalition. Every field officer must attend at least two community event every year (per DOJ).

Triaging more calls—sending service aides rather than officers if needed Difficult to respond to all calls—"we are bleeding people." Many officers are retiring. Bonus for officers who recruit successful candidates. Recruiting frenzy. Competing with other regions.

Cadet (officer) who reported is now with Foothills. Media distort the facts.

Bike officers not effective in all areas—limited use in Foothills

b. Intro of Det Dosal-

Recruiting new officers—could be 20 out of 200 applicants.

Recruiting veterans with particular emphasis on those with Security Police backgrounds.

5. Pulse of the Neighborhoods—reports from CPC members

Carolyn—neighbor commented--what happened to the windows on police cars—they got lighter...

Joe—a couple of neighbors note fast drivers but few traffic stops. Doug: It is time-dependent, given the volume of calls and limited personnel. Officers confirm that routine traffic calls are low priority.

6. Recommendations

- 1.5—Minority recruitment—washing people out when it is not necessary; are some of the criteria inappropriate and unnecessarily disqualifying minority group members? Publicize the standards. Dosal: physical fitness is not a problem; more about education and ability to write. Many out of state applicants. Many wash out when they can't run or write at the end of the Academy. Q: Is there cultural competency class at the Academy, to familiarize cadets with local culture.? Yes, we put cadets in various situations with people of different ethnicity or class to see how they react and give feedback. We give them real-life issues. Ryan—APD academy for high school? APD Trying to start internship for High schools; career enrichment center at Alb High, to encourage recruitment for PSAs. Could it be a class in the school? Tabled.
- 5.3—Alarm system requirements/registration—significant number of violations but only a letter until the problem becomes more serious. Doug—motion to forward Carolyn second 2-2 Tabled.
- 2.3—Priority of resisting arrest—Officers have no impact on DA plea agreements. DAs go for highest charge, to get the maximum consequence. Dismissals typically have nothing to do with officers, but with discovery. Table.
- 7. Other business
- 8. Set draft agenda items for next meeting
- 9. Adjournment

Next meeting:

Monday 1 June 2015 6-7:50 pm Holiday Park Community Center

Comments or questions:

Carolyn Wilson, CPC Chair

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ATTENDEES

CPC Members:
Joseph Abbin
Douglas Brosveen, Vice-Chair
Jesus Casillas (absent)
Dianne Layden (absent)
Ryan Trujillo

Carolyn Wilson, Chair Philip Crump, Facilitator

FAC representatives: Lt Eric Jordan Officer Colby Phillips Det **Diana** Dosal

Other Visitors: Melline Jullens

SUBMITTED:

Philip Crump, Facilitator

READ AND APPROVED;

Carolyn Wilson, Chair