In Attendance:
- Eric Olivas, Chair
- Bettina Eklund
- Troy Taylor
- Brennan Williams
- Dorothy Woodward
- Lieutenant Joe Burke
- Nicole Chavez-Lucero, APD Community Outreach Coordinator
- Officer Simon Drobik
- Celina Espinoza, APD Communications and Community Outreach Director
- Commander Randy Remiker
- Jessie Lawrence, CABQ Contract Facilitator

Approximately 45 members of the public were in attendance, including approximately 6 officers from the APD aviation division.

1. Call to Order/Welcome – Eric Olivas

Eric Olivas called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed participants to the meeting.

Albuquerque residents who live within the Northeast Area Command are invited to apply to join the NE CPC at https://www.cabq.gov/police/community-policing-council.

2. Old Business: Approval of April 2017 Meeting Minutes and May 2017
Meeting Agenda and Renewal/Renaming of Neighborhood Watch and Safety Advocates Committee – Eric Olivas

The Neighborhood Watch Advocates, a committee of the NE CPC, had a charter that expired in March 2017. The committee requested renewal of their charter with a change of name to the Neighborhood Watch and Safety Advocates Committee (NWSAC). Troy Taylor moved to approve the April 2017 meeting minutes, the May 2017 agenda, and the renewal/renaming of the committee. Dorothy Woodward seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.


Lieutenant Joe Burke stated that property theft is still an issue in the area command, including auto thefts and auto burglaries. Lt. Burke also presented information on personal safety, including how to be aware of surroundings and to call the police if intimidated or scared. Discussion included safety during garage sales, the logistics of high-speed emergency responses, and the work of the district attorney.

4. Report from Neighborhood Watch Advocates Committee – Janet Butts

Penny Hoe presented information on the work of the Neighborhood Watch and Safety Advocates Committee, as Janet Butts was not in attendance. Plans include a May 11 seminar for block captains and a summer coffee.


Eric Olivas presented a recommendation regarding ways to strengthen neighborhood watches, build a block captains’ communication network, and facilitate community policing through neighborhood watches. (See Attachment A.) Discussion included questions and comments about the appropriate size of neighborhood watches and whether to include neighborhood association presidents in information distribution. Brennan Williams moved to approve the recommendation as drafted. Bettina Eklund seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

Eric Olivas presented a recommendation regarding changes to the Citizens Police Academy. (See Attachment B.) The NE CPC board invites comments on the recommendation via email and plans to vote on the recommendation at the June meeting.
Eric Olivas presented revised NE CPC guidelines with changes to the attendance policy. (See Attachment C.) Brennan Williams moved to approve the revised guidelines as drafted. Dorothy Woodward seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

6. **Guest Speaker: Detective Chris Whigham, APD Lapel Camera Policy and Operation**

Detective Chris Whigham presented information on the history of on-body camera use within APD, the current on-body camera policy, and the use and operation of cameras by officers. Discussion included how to search for information, whether video information can be manipulated, the City of Albuquerque’s recent contract with TASER, how video information is shared or made public, and protection of privacy when using video.

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM. The next meeting will be on June 13 at 6:30 PM.