VALLEY AREA COMMAND
COMMUNITY POLICING COUNCIL
RECOMMENDATION

Date Submitted: 
Receipt Due: Seven (7) business days after submission
APD Response Due: Twenty (20) Business days after submission
Final Action Due: Sixty (60) business days after submission

RATIONALE: The office of neighborhood coordination (ONC) presently operating in the cities planning department has been the Valley command CPC’s only source of stakeholders (being the neighborhood associations) to us. This information given to us has been utilized by our CPC to inform our neighborhood associations of our meetings and for us to arrange to meet with them. In the new budget it was learned that three more positions were going to be allocated for the ONC and put under the guidance of the city Council. It was understood that the two existing positions with the ONC would be retained in the planning department. To our counsel this seemed to be a duplication of efforts and a vast loss of experience and expertise with the existing ONC employees. It was also found that many of the new CPC projects and objectives had already been accomplished by the old ONC and their existing staff.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend that in addition to the hiring of the three new members, that the existing ONC employees and their budget be moved under the direction and guidance of the city counselors. This will allow not only a great deal of expertise and knowledge of neighborhood coordination to the new members, but will maintain the needs of the officials they presently provide for. In addition to this move we would like to see the new members of the ONC, to each of them being responsible for the communications and outreach efforts for two area command’s. We suggest that these new positions also be responsible for the maintenance and updates of their respective area command websites. This responsibility alone should be very beneficial to our city counselors in being able to stay updated on what is happening in their districts and command areas.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: Valley Area Command Community Policing Council
November 14, 2016

Valley Community Policing Council

Re: ONC position

Dear Valley Community Policing Council:

The Albuquerque Police Department has received your recommendation regarding the position of the Office of Neighborhood Coordination. Each department would be responsible for their own positions within the City of Albuquerque. It would be best that we forward your request to the Planning Department as well as the Albuquerque City Council. We will make the request that each of these departments reach out to you directly.

Thank you for your recommendations, they are greatly appreciated and we thank you for your contributions to our community.

Sincerely,

GORDEN E. EDEN, JR.
Chief of Police

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