

Southwest

Community Policing Council

Minutes

June 12, 2019

1. Call to Order – Chris Sedillo – 6:04 pm

Council present: Wanda Harrison

Absent: Michael Zocholl and Don Burns

Approximately 9 attended from the public, 8 from APD

2. Old Business

a. Review/amendment/approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda, second and approved.

b. Review/amendment/approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes, second and approved.

3. APD Presentations

a. Crime Report - Commander Espinosa

- Residential burglaries are down 14% from 2018
- Auto burglaries are up by 15% from 2018 (this is due to the tactical operations that were conducted)
- Auto thefts are down 15% (major hotspots are the areas around Coors and Illiff and Coors and Central)
- Commercials burglaries are down by 15% from 2018
- The rental storage are a major target for commercial burglaries
- Calls for service are down by 26%, Disturbance Calls are down by 21%, and Suspicious Calls are down 25%.
- We collaborate with elementary schools, we are doing readings in the park Monday Thursday during the time the school gives out free lunches. APD wants to make sure we are engaging with the children during the summer.
- Working to work with high schools as well

 Will be doing a car show on July 27th, if anyone is interested please let Commander Espinosa know.

Q: State police has joined to help, what is being done after they are gone?

A: There has been an increase in officers, we are adding 2 more PRT officers and working on more POP projects. We do not have as many officers but we are working on key area to make sure we are staying on top.

b. Use of Force - Sergeant Lambert

- Backlog of use of force has been completed
- Until the new use of force is implemented, the Performance Review Unit detectives will assist with FRB (force review board) "backlog".
- The FRB backlog numbers are as follows (these numbers are from 5.20.19)
 - Tactical Activations: 70
 - Supervisory (10% sample): 95
 - Serious Use of Force: 68
- The FRB reviews all tactical activations, all serious Use of Force investigations, and a 10% sample of Use of Force investigations from the field.

There were a total of 7 Use of Force reported in the month of May

- 1 Serious Use of Force
- 6 Use of Force

Q: Do you just review if anything inappropriate is happened or if they did not follow policy?

A: We review all of it, we have to make sure they do follow up policy.

Q: How is your policy that their rights are protected?

A: We capture those trends and we put in a recommendation to improve the policy. It falls down on the supervisors, they have to make sure they are doing their jobs correctly.

Q: What if people do false reports, what happens?

A: We reviews any reports and follow procedure.

c. Community Engagement/ Outreach

Lt Simmons: We held our first community outreach classroom, our conversation for this month was for deescalating issues within your neighborhood. We had food donated from places. Next month will be having one called "Choose Love". Will be doing these classes once a month and will have topics for them.

4. Presentation – ADP Special Investigation Division: Commander Mizel Garcia

• The Special Investigation Division is a division you do not hear about often. Under this division is, Narcotics, Gangs and K-9.

- The Mayors initiative was to identify gun drivers of violence we use NIBIN
- APD has been using a system called National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN). This system is used in 175 sites across the country. This system allows APD to capture ballistic or casing evidence when a gun is used. The casings are like a fingerprint, it can be connected if it was used in the past. Once they get the casings, they are tagged into evidence and processed in 25 hours.
- Out of 178 LEADS, there were 144 shootings (Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion)
- 1 LEAD (1 gun) but was used in 12 shootings
- When APD implements these new systems, the sensors will be put through the
 community and RTCC will be able to locate where the gunshots are being fired from.
 When people call about it, this will be able to triangulate where it is coming from and
 instead of showing up to where the call was made, they will be going to where the
 sensors went off.
- APD has had an issue with sharing, but it has gotten better throughout the years
- Last year there were 1,200 guns that were taken in, seized over 400
- 97 LEADS for this year so far
- NIBIN has been successful nationwide
- 5. New Business
 - a. Next meeting: July 10, 2019
 - b. Matters of the public

Miscommunication of when to call 242-COPS, took over an hour for APD to show up after four phone calls.

Commander Espinosa: I encourage anyone to call if there is urgency, calls go through the dispatchers and they priorities the calls. Officers go to the calls in regards to the priority of the call.

Wanda: Any issues with your neighbors, I would recommend attending the neighborhood watch meetings or sign up to become a block captain.

Changing locations from the Alamosa to the Library on central. – Unanimous

Will coordinate next meeting on changing location

Moving it to the first Wednesday of the month – unanimous

Motion to make a sub-committee for outreach – unanimous

6. Adjournment

Adjourned 7:16