

MEETING MINUTES

VALLEY AREA COMMUNITY POLICING COUNCIL THURSDAY, August 26, 2016 LOS DURANES COMMUNITY CENTER ALBUQUERQUE, NM

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Jim Souter

The meeting was called to order at 5:45PM.

II. COUNCILOR ROLL CALL: Chair Jim Souter

Present:

James Souter - Chair

Edwina Kiro – Vice Chair

Richard Deichsel - Secretary

Joan Wierzba

Kathleen O'Malley

Maxine Cowton

Paul Watson

Officer John Burley

Absent

None

Also Present:

Consultants:

Sgt. Terysa Bowie

Det. George Gabaldon

Resource Director:

Celina Espinoza, APD, Communications and Community Outreach Director

Nicole Chavez-Lucero, Community Outreach

Facilitator:

David Gold

Community members present: See attached sign in sheet

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Edwina Kiro, seconded by Maxine Cowton, and approved by voice vote.

IV. OFFICIAL BUSINESS

- A. in compliance with paragraph 261 of the court approved settlement agreement between the city of Albuquerque and the Department of Justice, this meeting is being conducted.

Paragraph 261 stipulates; the community outreach and public information program shall require at least one semiannual meeting in each area command that is open to the public. During the meetings, APD officers from the area command and the APD compliance coordinator or his or her designee shall inform the public about the root wireless of this agreement, update the public on APD's progress meeting these requirements, and address areas of community concern. At least one week before such meetings, APD shall widely publicize the meetings.

As a subject of the concerns addressed to the judge by the CPCs, APD arranged to perform these meetings with all the CPCs in their August meetings.

These notes are the questions asked in addition to the presentation, which is an appendix.

B. Presenters:

Celina Espinoza – Training Director for APD

Bill Slauson – Planning & Policy Division Director

- a. Cameras last 8 hours. New shifts are 12 hours? Officers will receive two batteries.
- b. Where did the 12 hour shift come from? Dr. Weiss created the staffing study based on call volumes at peak times. Many departments are moving to 12 hours shifts. Shifts are 8-8. NE, Valley and one other will also have split shifts, 3-3. Overtime will be reduced.
- c. What about when officers have late shifts and need to testify in court? Still working this out. Courts have access to officer's schedules.
- d. Why pay outside consultants to write policy? Why not deputy chief? We did write our own policies. Primary writing came from upper level staff. We hired Judge Garcia, to look at constitutional policing. Experts refined the policies.
- e. Discussion of new SWAT policies, if appropriate will they be called? We used to send in individuals, now we're sending in "whole puzzle". Sometimes calls last 12-18 hours and streets are blocked.
- f. Is there a real process for CPC recs? Goes to Nicole. Within 5 days, she will respond, possibly with questions. Then we have

20 business days to determine which group gets it. Then 50 business for final recommendation.

- g. Valley recommendation for a smart phone? Just was turned in.
- h. Looked for special order 1516, but it was not available? It may have been converted into an official policy.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Joan Wierzba 7:30 PM, seconded by Richard Deichsel, and approved by voice vote

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Richard Deichsel - Secretary