

Latino Advisory Committee
Friday, June 7, 2019

AGENDA

Attendees: Sandi Elder, DC Mike Zeller, DC Adam Turk, Joe Perez, Barb Lessman, Art Terrazas, Adolph Diaz, Justin Martinez, Joana Gomez, Trish Escobar

1. Welcome – Chairperson Elder
 - a. Last meeting we had a great Body Worn Camera presentation that was very good.
 - b. Going before City Council regarding LAC – talked to Chief Jones about going to Council about us not being an action committee. We feel that we are better suited as a quieter committee working through talking and meeting with people. This is a very beneficial committee.
2. Update on Department happenings – Deputy Chief Turk and Deputy Chief Zeller
3. Presentation of LPR/BWC (PowerPoint presentation)

DC Adam Turk – Welcomed everyone and explained that Chief Jones is away for his eldest daughters' wedding. Rather than try to reschedule we are holding the meeting.

Chief Jones gave this presentation to council for the License Plate Readers (LPR) and the Body Worn Camera (BWC) programs. We are now 3 months into the BWC program. Overall, these programs are great for our department.

LPR's – we have two types, fixed and mobile. The fixed units are placed throughout town on top of traffic signals (these are not disclosed). The mobile units are on police cars. We currently have four units. These tools generate so much work for our department. These readers are also used for Parking Enforcement. These units take pictures and give the location information to officers if the vehicle is stolen.

We could create an entire unit for LPR's they create so much work.

The entire department uses these for different reasons and different uses.

In the month of April 600k plates that were cataloged and read. We got nine stolen vehicles, 101 stolen license plates, 4200 driving under suspended or revoked licenses and we got 655 warrant hits. So, when someone has a warrant out and there is a vehicle tied to them, we can get those alerts.

BWC –5-year contract with Axon – just shy of \$1 million dollars, this includes, not just the cameras but also our Tasers and then all the data storage. The data storage is probably where most of the cost is. (Videos were shown for examples of what the cameras are capable of).

The ability to view the video's is an invaluable tool for training and transparency alike.

DC Zeller – Hiring update – We had 7 conditional offers so that gives us over hires – Make-up - 1 woman from Haiti, she speaks French and Spanish, and she has 20 years of Law Enforcement experience, another young man was born in Mexico, moved to New Mexico had a tough upbringing and has done very well for himself. Then yet another young man grew up on LA and also had a tough upbringing but has done great things in his life.

We have enough applicants to be picky.

Academy hires take a year before they are out on the street solo – that's the reason we need to over hire.