



**CITY OF LEON VALLEY
CITIZEN POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
Leon Valley Conference Center
6421 Evers Rd, Leon Valley, Texas 78240
Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Citizen Police Advisory Committee met on the 15th day of January 2025, at the Leon Valley Conference Center located at 6421 Evers Rd, Leon Valley, Texas 78240 for the purpose of the following business:

Agenda Item #1 Call to Order and Announcement of a Quorum

Manuel Rubio called the Police Advisory Committee Meeting to order at 6:05 pm, but there was not a quorum present. Members present included Manuel Rubio, Darby Riley, Vera "Ann" Sawyer, Ronnie Morgan, and City Council members Rey Orozco and Philip Campos (late arrival). The chair and members decided to continue meeting as a citizen had shown up and wanted to address a concern to the committee, and attending members had taken time out of their schedule to attend.

Documented staff present were Police Chief David Gonzalez, and Police Lieutenant Kasey Tucker.

Agenda Item #6 Citizens to be Heard

As there was only a single citizen present, this agenda item was moved up to accommodate this resident. Melissa Zavala, a citizen of Seneca West brought up an animal concern regarding the lack of regulation on spaying/neutering of animals from three local pet stores in Leon Valley. She cited that citizens should go to their local shelters to adopt animals in need. She cited that the City of San Antonio should be helping out the city of Leon Valley with animal needs.

Agenda Item #2 Discussion regarding the tour of Leon Valley Police Department and Impound Lot on December 17th and December 18th by the Mayor, Council Members, and Citizen's Police Advisory Committee Members

Chair Rubio expressed his thanks for the recent tour of Police and Impound facilities scheduled by Chief Gonzalez and Lt. Tucker for the Mayor, City Council, and Citizen Police Advisory Committee members on Tuesday, December 17th at 5:30 pm and Wednesday, December 18th at 9:00 am. Those who attended these tours included Mayor Chris Riley, City Council members Philip Campos and Rey Orozco, and CPAC Committee

members Chair, Manuel Rubio, Asst Chair Andrea Roofe, Olen Yarnell, Ronnie Morgan, and Frank Gonzalez. Those who attended the tour discussed the orderliness and dedication of all the department members to delivering professional services even within the constricted spaces of the department.

Agenda Item #3 Discussion regarding police department concerns regarding Public Safety, Traffic Flow Improvements, Challenges, and Crime Prevention

Discussion was held regarding implements that the Police Department is exploring to be used to increase public safety such as LIDR cameras, FLOK camera systems, bulletproof windshields, and other emerging technology.

In addition, specific criminal activity such as burglaries and mail theft were discussed as there had been a break-in of a community mailbox in Pavona Ridge and a discussion of the costs associated with replacing these mailboxes. A discussion ensued on how these crimes can be facilitated and how better crime prevention measures can be utilized to combat some of these crimes. Challenges included resource allocation and training budgets to provide officers with the necessary tools. Regarding traffic flow, Chief Gonzalez advised that citizens must notify police of police-related issues citing a recent call placed to Public Works of an Auto Carrier traveling on Hodges that was stuck for an extended period unable to make a turn from that street onto Evers. This large truck, after an extended time, finally negotiated the turn damaging roadway infrastructure. As the Police were not notified, the driver was not able to be contacted, and the repair cost will ultimately fall to the city.

Agenda Item #4 Discussion regarding dog bites and animal control concerns

Chief Gonzalez discussed current challenges facing animal control and the need to report the issues as they are observed.

Agenda Item #5 Discussion and Possible Action on Future Agenda items

Purchase of bulletproof windshields for patrol vehicles

Presentation of police-related activity from the 2024 Annual Report highlighting all the great things that the Police Department is doing

Discussion of current staffing levels after all the recent hiring and implications of higher staffing levels

Discussion regarding residential and vehicle burglary rates over recent years.

Agenda Item #7 Adjournment at 7:31 pm CT on 01/15/2025.

These minutes were approved by the Leon Valley Police Advisory Committee on the 29th of January, 2025.

APPROVED

CHAIR



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