

**Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Committee
August 18, 2026 at 4:00 PM
City Council Chambers, City Hall
200 Lincoln Avenue
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Start time: 4:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Councilor Amanda Chavez
Member Aurora Martinez
Member Aric Wheeler
Member Christine Robertson
Vice Chair Ted Bolleter
Member Bruce Finger
Member Cameron Crawford
Member Laura Liswood

There was a quorum.

Others in Attendance Interim Chief of Police Ben Valdez, Interim Fire Chief Scott Ouderkirk, New Mexican Reporter Nicholas Gilmore, Wildland Superintendent Nathan Miller, Deputy Chief of Police Amanda Montano, Deputy Chief of Police Lawrence Barnett, Emergency Management Director Kyle Morgan, Admin. Manager Katherine Christner, Crime Analyst Cassandra Tapia, and RECC Director Roberto Lujan

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Member Wheeler, seconded by Member Bolleter to Approve the Agenda as presented.

VOTE: The motion was passed on a voice vote.

For: Chair Chavez, Member Bolleter, Member Martinez, Member Wheeler, Member Robertson, Member Finger, Member Crawford, and Member Liswood

Against: None

Abstain: None

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of July 21, 2026 Minutes

MOTION: Member Bolleter moved to approve minutes, Member Wheeler seconded

VOTE: The motion was passed on a voice vote.

For: Chair Chavez, Member Bolleter, Member Martinez, Member Finger, Member Crawford, Member Robertson, Member Liswood, and Member Wheeler.

Against: None

Abstain: None

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

6. **ACTION ITEMS**

7. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

8. **MATTERS FROM POLICE: INTERIM CHIEF BEN VALDEZ**

- a. July 2026 Crime Stats and Mapping
- b. July 2026 My 90 survey results

9. **MATTERS FROM FIRE: INTERIM CHIEF SCOTT OUDERKIRK**

10. **MATTERS FROM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR KYLE MORGAN**

11. **MATTERS FROM RECC DIRECTOR ROBERTO LUJAN**

12. **MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE**

13. **MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR**

14. **NEXT MEETING: September 15, 2026**

15. **ADJOURN**

End time: 4:38 p.m.

K S Christner

Liaison

Chair