

Public Safety Committee Meeting
Held in the Mike Mathews Conference Room
Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Notice of this meeting was given to the public in compliance with Section 10-15-4, NMSA 1978, and Resolution 26-12.

The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m., with Councilor Julianna Halvorson presiding. Present: Councilor Cristina Arnold, Councilor Angela Moore, and Councilor Bob Corn. Councilor Carlos Marrujo was absent.

Ms. Sanders reported to the Chair that a quorum was present.

Staff present: Hess Yntema, City Manager; Bobbi Thompson, Assistant City Manager; C. Josh Nairn-Mahan, City Attorney; Steve Chavez, Fire Chief; Randy Bunch, RFD; Amalia Martinez, City Clerk; Angela Garcia, Deputy Clerk; Karen Sanders, Emergency Management; Jessica Vickers, Community Development, Albert Aldana, Police Chief; Mike Taylor, Deputy Police Chief; Ryan Craine, Deputy Police Chief, Michael Fry, RPD; and Clint Caldwell, HR.

Guests: Michaela Merz, Pecos Valley Public Services; Amanda Lueras, CASA; Scott Kasper, AMR; Cecil Harding, AMR; Royal Flagg, STOP; Julius Smith, and Rita Kane.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Arnold moved to approve the agenda; Councilor Moore seconded the motion.

A voice vote was as follows: Chair Halvorson – yes, Councilor Marrujo – absent, Councilor Arnold – yes, Councilor Moore - yes, Councilor Corn-yes.

The motion passed 4-0.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Departments presented the committee with their monthly reports and answered any questions.

1. 2. AMR – Kevin Prescott presented the final monthly report and answered questions.
3. 4. Emergency Management – Karen Sanders presented the monthly report and answered questions.
5. 6. Consolidated Dispatch – Monthly report included in the packet. No representative attended the meeting, and there were no questions from Council.
7. 8. Community Development – Jessica Vickers presented the monthly report and answered questions.

9. 10. Roswell Fire – Chief Chavez presented the monthly report and answered questions.
11. Roswell Police Department – Chief Aldana presented the monthly report and answered questions

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

12. Councilor Arnold moved to approve the minutes from April 16, 2026, Public Safety Committee Meeting; Councilor Moore seconded the motion.
A voice vote was unanimous. Chair Halvorson, seeing no objection, declared the motion passed 4-0.

REGULAR ITEMS

13. Consider recommending approval to advertise for a public hearing for Ordinance 26-XX: An ordinance to amend fines and penalties throughout the City of Roswell's Code of Ordinances.
This item was approved by the Legal Committee 5-0 at the May 28, 2026 meeting, and referred to the Public Safety Committee. City Attorney C. Josh Nairn-Mahan presented the information and answered questions from the council.
Councilor Moore moved to send the item to full council; Councilor Arnold seconded the motion. Chair Halvorson, hearing no objections, declared the motion passed 4-0.
14. Resolution 26-XX: A resolution requiring the removal or demolition of four (4) dilapidated structures.
Jessica Vickers from Community Development presented four (4) properties for consideration and answered questions.
Councilor Arnold moved to send the item to the Legal Committee and to be considered for the consent agenda; Councilor Moore seconded the motion. Chair Halvorson, hearing no objections, declared the motion passed 4-0.
15. Consider a proposed budget adjustment of \$10,000 to the Police Professional Services line for CASA use.
Police Chief Albert Aldana explained the need to increase the amount from \$50,000 to \$60,000, to be funded out of the public safety tax, and answered questions. Councilor Arnold moved to send the item to the Finance committee and be considered for the consent agenda; Councilor Moore seconded the

motion. Chair Halvorson, hearing no objections, declared the motion passed 4-0.

16. Consider budget approval of \$500,000 for planning and design of Roswell First Response Center.

Chair Halvorson presented information and answered questions regarding the need to allocate funding out of the Public Safety Tax for plan and design of a new police headquarters. The Roswell Police Department would establish a committee, including a couple of councilors, to assist with design, planning, and construction of the new facility.

City Manager Yntema stated the next steps would be review by the Finance Committee, Full Council approval, and issuance of an RFP.

Councilor Moore moved to send the item to the Finance Committee and to be considered for the consent agenda; Councilor Arnold seconded the motion.

A voice vote was as follows: Chair Halvorson-yes, Councilor Arnold-Yes, Councilor Moore-yes, Councilor Corn-No. The motion passed 3-1.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Royal Flagg voiced concerns about troubled youth and then briefly discussed his program aimed at helping close gaps youth often experience by providing guidance. City Council, City Management, department heads, and supervisors, listened and answered questions.

Michaela Merz with Pecos Valley Public Services stated they are patrolling daily and providing water and heat relief throughout the community. Michaela also mentioned seeing an increase in unhoused individuals who are new to the area. City Council, City Management, department heads, and supervisors, listened and answered questions.

Julius Smith stated he had emailed information to the Police Chief regarding issues of concern. City Council, City Management, department heads, and supervisors, listened and answered questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.