

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF DONA ANA
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

D-307-CV-2019-01611
(MISCELLANEOUS)

MINUTES
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL REMOTE MEETING

APRIL 15, 2020
NOON TO 1:00 PM

Chair: Presiding Judge Joel Cano, Dona Ana Magistrate Court
Chief Judge Manuel I. Arrieta, Third Judicial District

Meeting held through Google Meets

AGENDA:

Calls meeting to order 12:01 pm

Agency	Representative
Third Judicial District Court	Chief Arrieta A
Dona Ana Magistrate Court	
Anthony Municipal Court	Antonio Cervantes
	Honorable Ralph Ramos ABSENT
Hatch Municipal Court	Honorable Shirely Rice ABSENT
Las Cruces Municipal Court	Millisa Caldwell- ABSENT
	Joy Goldbaum
Town of Mesilla Municipal Court	Andrea Carbajal
	Honorable Lizette Salinas-ABSENT
Sunland Park Municipal Court	Maria Rubio

Agency	Representative
Third Judicial District Attorney's Office	Daniel Sewell Debora Gerads
Law Office of Public Defender	Kris Knutson Captain Jon Day
Dona Ana Sheriff's Department	Lt. Sam Ramos
Las Cruces Police Department	Deputy Chief Paul Brock
New Mexico State Police Department	
New Mexico State University Police Dept	Deputy Chief Andrew Bowen
Sunland Park Police Department	Sgt. Luis Murga
Anthony Police Department	Chief Vanessa Ordonez
Mesilla Marshall's	Enriquez Salas
Hatch Police Department	Frank Angel-ABSENT
Dona Ana County Codes Enforcement	Mary Lou Ward
Dona Ana County Detention Center	Bryan Baker
Dona Ana County Defense Bar	Michael Stout
Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch	Robert Milks Richard Johnson
CYFD	
City of Las Cruces	Joscelyn Garrison ABSENT
Dona Ana County Compliance	Chelo Guerrero

Agency**Representative**

Yolanda Salas

Memorial Medical Center

Tenika Sosa-Gonzales

Community Service Corps

Joel Diemer , Mary White

Third Judicial District Court

Stacey Madson

Samantha Woodward

Lindsey Saiz

Dona Ana Magistrate Court

Leticia Padilla

Bernice Ramos

Defense Attorney

General member of public

Earl Nissem

1. COVID-19 and process**Judge Arrieta:**

- Jury trials suspended till June
- Social distancing orders in place from Supreme Court
- Requirement that hearings be held telephonically
- Public screened twice before going into courthouse
- Preliminary proceedings conducted in Magistrate Court instead of Grand Juries
- Trying to work on suggestions to give out to public regarding visitation
- Fine payments extended for 30 days (per Supreme Court)

- Emergency order that prevents evictions from individuals who haven't paid their rent
- Order in place in to prevent foreclosure evictions where Freddie Mac and Sallie Mae are involved (FHA homes)
- Asks law enforcement what kind of complaints that are receiving

Las Cruces Police Department (Deputy Chief Brock):

- Violent crime is down
- Decrease in calls for service-related violent crime
- Trying to limit contact with public
- Increase in family domestic violence/domestic disturbances
- Increase in property crimes (commercial burglaries)

Dona Ana County Sheriff's Office (Captain John David)

- Dramatic increase in family violence calls – level of violence going up
- Commercial burglary increase
- Overall calls for services is down
- Limited contact with public

Anthony Police Department (Chief Vanessa Lara-Ordonez)

- increase in domestic abuse, child abuse, property crimes
- dealing with gatherings, mostly on weekends
- consistent with what's going on throughout the county

Anthony Municipal Court (Anthony Cervantes)

- decrease in citations filed
- communicates with records clerk
- haven't had any issues with filing

Michael Stout:

- concerned with keeping everybody safe and healthy and COVID19 court processes

Judge Arrieta:

- Advises court is complying with Supreme Court directives and reviews some with committee

Judge Cano:

- Asks each functional area if they are having any issues
 - *MVRDA*: Judge Arrieta asks how they are doing with PPE; wearing masks and not allowing anyone inside the building
 - *JPO*: has really low number in juveniles in detention and trying to find alternative methods to placing juveniles in detention; won't see accurate numbers for at least another week
 - *County Codes*: PPE provided for all officers; only responding to emergency type calls

- *Dona Ana County Detention Center*: no complaints and handling things as they come up
- *Memorial Medical Center/Behavioral Health*: things are well under control; working on placing patients in alternative placements and partners at The Peak Hospital are being helpful with taking in patients
- Judge Duffin has been attending the emergency planning meetings
- County Manager Macias has declared a county-wide emergency
- Online resource through the Department of Health gives you accurate number of cases in the state

Judge Arrieta:

- Urges agencies to communicate with each other and work together

Michael Stout:

- Asks for a deadline for applications for people who want to be members of CJCC

Judge Arrieta:

- May 10th deadline for applications for members

Next meeting on May 20, 2020

Meeting concludes: 1:03 pm