

DONA ANA COUNTY
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES

DATE	February 18, 2026	TIME	12:02pm–1:10pm	CHAIR	Michael Stout
LOCATION	Dona Ana Magistrate Court, 110 Calle de Alegria, Las Cruces, New Mexico Online: https://meet.google.com/kmh-fqh-qrx				

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT		
Michael Stout, Chair, DACDLA	Joel Diemer, Behavioral Health	Judge Nathan Graff, Dona Ana Magistrate Court
Judge Anthony Filosa, Las Cruces Municipal Court	Kris Knutson, LOPD	

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT		
Major John Day, Law Enforcement	Fernando Macias, 3 rd JD District Attorney	Cpt. Alfred Sanchez, DASO

MEMBERS PRESENT	
3rd Judicial District Court	Bernice Ramos, Brandi Sanchez
3rd Judicial District Court Pretrial Services	Samantha Woodward
Las Cruces Magistrate Court	Jackie Douglas
Mesilla Public Safety	Ramona Medina
Juvenile Probation Office	Brandon Morales
Youth Development & Diversion	Pat Acosta
Morphotic Solutions, LLC	Kristin Drake
Dona Ana County Animal Control	Bryan Hulsey
NM Coalition Against Domestic Violence	Flor Gonzalez
NMSU Police Department	Justin Dunivan
City of Las Cruces	Cassie McClure
	Vanessa Ordonez

OTHERS PRESENT	
Erin Porter, assistant to Chair	

1. INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL

2. Approval of January 21, 2026, Minutes

Motion to approve by Joel Diemer.

Seconded by Judge Anthony Filosa.

Unanimous approval. (Minutes attached)

3. Committee Reports

- a. Strategic Planning Committee – Chair Nathan Graff
Kristin Drake - Mission Statement draft to be reviewed by Council for vote next meeting. (Draft Attached)
- b. Grant Committee – Chair Kirsten Drake
Beginning grant application for New Mexico Sentencing Commission Crime Reduction grant funds. Also seeking funding for CJCC administrative costs. And data-gathering expenses.
Pat Acosta, Cassie McClure, and Erin Porter added to Committee.
Kristin Drake, Kris Knutson, Pat Acosta, Cassie McClure, and Erin will meet. (Email from Jamie Goldberg attached.)
- c. Victim Advocacy Committee – Chair Vanessa Ordonez
- d. Forum Committee – Chair Councilperson Cassie McClure
No report.

4. Elections

- Motion to elect Michael Stout as Chair – Judge Anthony Filosa
Second – Judge Nathan Graff
Unanimous approval.
- Motion to elect Judge Nathan Graff as Vice-Chair – Judge Anthony Filosa.
Second – Chair Michael Stout.
Unanimous approval
- Motion to elect Joel Diemer as Secretary – Judge Anthony Filosa.
Second – Judge Nathan Graff.
Unanimous approval.

5. Approval of Council Members

- Motion to approve member organizations, including new and edited groups – Judge Anthony Filosa.
Second – Joel Diemer
Unanimous approval. List attached. (Includes edits to list of Dona Ana County Animal Control, Morphotic Solutions, Youth Development and Diversion, and La Clinica de Familia added to full list of member organizations.)
Chair Stout will contact Chief Judge Jacquez concerning the appointment of the law enforcement member, a slot now held by John Day.

6. Public Comment/Other Comments

- a. Kris Knutson – LOPD doesn't have the manpower to cover the preliminary hearings that are being set, but not actually heard, due to the District Attorney only proceeding with Grand Jury Indictments.
- b. Discussion, reference same. Judge Nathan Graff will seek to relieve public defender of obligation to appear.

Motion to adjourn – Judge Nathan Graff.

Second – Joel Diemer.

Unanimous approval.

Adjourned at 1:10pm.