
The Chief's Advisory Council



A Community and Police Council Advising the North Las Vegas Police Chief

Mission Statement

The Chief's Advisory Council brings together community members and North Las Vegas Police Department employees to exchange ideas and information on continuous improvement of community policing in North Las Vegas. The Council examines and monitors current and proposed police programs with the main priorities of reducing crime and the fear of crime. The Council recognizes and embraces inclusiveness.

Attendance rules

- It is important that each member be at every meeting. If unable to attend, please notify the coordinator with as much advance notice possible. Coordinator: Laura Marscheck can be reached at (702) 633-1541 or Marscheckl@cityofnorthlasvegas.com.
- If a member misses two meetings with no notice within a rolling calendar six month period, a warning letter is sent to the member informing them that their seat is in jeopardy.
- If the member then misses another meeting, they will forfeit their seat on the Council.

Role of the Advisory Council as a group

- Makes recommendations to the Chief of Police.
- Serves as the community's voice to the command level of the North Las Vegas Police Department.
- Serves as a public review and involvement body for the North Las Vegas Police Department on issues suggested by the Council members and by the Chief.

Role of individual members

- Represents their community in providing input, which reflects the concerns, visions, and ideas of their portion of the community.
- Reports back to their community with information on Council activities and gathers input from the community to share with the Police Chief's Advisory Council.
- Engages their respective neighborhoods, organizations, and constituencies in continuing to improve community policing.
- Participates in consensus decision-making.
- Suggests issues to be brought before the Council.
- Is an advocate for community policing*.

*Community Policing is the type of policing that citizens of North Las Vegas expect. It is a shared responsibility between police and citizens for the welfare and improvement of North Las Vegas' neighborhoods and businesses.

Role of the Chief of Police

- May suggest issues to be brought before the Police Chief’s Advisory Council.
- Leads meetings and participates in consensus decision-making.
- Provides resources to carry out tasks for the Police Chief’s Advisory Council.
- Listens to issues raised, shares them with appropriate staff, and reports back to the Police Chief’s Advisory Council with progress made on recommendations.

Process

Police Chief’s Advisory Council members participate in open discussions of the issues affecting public safety and the North Las Vegas Police Department. The discussions are intended to be honest and engaging, and each individual is respected. Please feel free to offer your viewpoint. However, do not dominate the conversation. Please keep comments to two minutes. This allows others time to speak.

Only Police Chief’s Advisory Council members or invited speakers are allowed to participate in the discussions. Observers and non-members are allowed to participate during the public speaking time period at the end of the meeting; they may sign up to speak for two minutes. From time to time, observers are present to watch the Council in action. They include: interested community members; media; visiting dignitaries; and others.

Agendas

On a regular basis, Police Chief’s Advisory Council members and the Chief of Police add items to the Chief’s Advisory Council Agenda by e-mailing them to the coordinator. These items are included on the agenda of upcoming meetings and give the Police Chief’s Advisory Council the opportunity to discuss a variety of issues. Agenda items include areas of interest to the Police Chief’s Advisory Council, critical issues, and upcoming legislation or events.

Membership

The North Las Vegas Police Chief’s Advisory Council was initially convened in January 2004. It’s current membership is set up to include the following:

Community Members	Up to 13 seats, currently now at 6
Coordinator	1
Chief of Police	1
Total:	15