



CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE CITY COUNCIL

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: All Councilors

FROM: Chris Sylvan, Neighborhood Liaison Office of Neighborhood Coordination

SUBJECT: Appointment of Mr. Ricardo Reichsfeld to the Civilian Police Oversight Advisory Board

DATE: February 27, 2026

Pursuant to the provisions of § 9-4-1-5 of the Police Oversight Ordinance, City Council staff shall submit recommendations for appointments to the Civilian Police Oversight Advisory Board. City Council staff recommends the appointment of Mr. Ricardo Reichsfeld to the Civilian Police Oversight Advisory Board. His initial three-year term is set to begin with this appointment to the Board. Following the expiration of his first term, he is eligible for a second three-year appointment.

APPOINTEE NAME

Ricardo Reichsfeld

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February 2, 2029

Ricardo Reichsfeld is a long-standing Albuquerque resident and court-accredited Spanish–English interpreter with more than fifteen years of professional experience in civil rights, due process, and language access matters. He owns and operates a New Mexico-based interpretation services business, providing professional interpretation in family court and child custody proceedings for the Children, Youth and Families Department. His work demands strict neutrality, precision, and adherence to ethical and legal standards in cases involving vulnerable populations.

Mr. Reichsfeld is an alumnus of the Albuquerque Police Department Citizens Academy, the DEA Citizens Academy, and additional state and federal law enforcement outreach programs, through which he gained direct exposure to constitutional policing principles and civilian accountability frameworks. He has also served as a member of the Foothills Community Policing Council, where he engaged in direct dialogue between residents and APD and contributed to recommendations for departmental policy and practice.

Mr. Reichsfeld brings his background in interpretation and mediation to the CPOA Board, committed to transparent and impartial review of civilian complaints and departmental practices. He supports continued emphasis on de-escalation training and addressing language and cultural barriers in policing. As a father of three children raised in Albuquerque, he views Board service as a civic responsibility and an opportunity to strengthen trust between APD and the community it serves.

Current Board Membership:

Name	Term
Aaron Calderon	02/02/2029
Rowan Wymark	02/02/2026
Vacant	02/02/2026
Zander Bolyanatz	02/02/2027
Eduardo Budanauro	02/02/2027