

# CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

## NINETEENTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ENACTMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 RESOLUTION

2 DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO RETAIN AN EXPERT TO MAKE  
3 RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE TRAINING PROCEDURES AND  
4 TRAINING POLICIES UTILIZED BY THE ALBUQUERQUE POLICE  
5 DEPARTMENT RELATED TO THE USE OF DEADLY FORCE; CALLING FOR A  
6 PUBLIC DIALOGUE.

7 WHEREAS, concerns have been raised as to whether Albuquerque Police  
8 Officers are receiving appropriate training related to the use of deadly force;  
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10 WHEREAS, those individuals within the City who are familiar with current  
11 training practices are the police officers who receive such training, the  
12 trainers who provide such training and the Administration that is responsible  
13 both for adopting the standards that govern training on the use of deadly force  
14 and who have the ultimate oversight of such training; and

15 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the best way to evaluate current  
16 training and to make recommendations for changes to such training, if  
17 needed, would be through an independent expert working cooperatively with  
18 police officers and the Administration; and

19 WHEREAS, such an evaluation will only be productive if conducted in a  
20 constructive atmosphere of recommending how training should be conducted  
21 in the future and not investigating fault in either the trainers themselves or the  
22 Administration that oversees such training;

23 WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the evaluation, the City should provide  
24 public forums to allow for public dialogue to increase awareness and  
25 understanding of the procedures and recommendations.

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1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF  
2 ALBUQUERQUE:

3 Section 1. The Administration is directed to retain an expert, qualified in the  
4 area of training with respect to the use of deadly force. That such expert shall  
5 be retained only after consultation with the Albuquerque Police Officers  
6 Association and the Police Oversight Commission regarding such selection  
7 and subject to approval of such selection by the Albuquerque City Council.

8 Section 2. The expert shall be retained to create a written report with  
9 recommendations regarding appropriate training with respect to the use of  
10 deadly force based on “best practices” after a nationwide review.

11 Section 3. The expert shall be retained to create a written report with  
12 recommendations regarding improvements to policies and procedures,  
13 including Standard Operating Procedures, with respect to training in the use  
14 of deadly force based on “best practices” after a nationwide review.

15 Section 4. The goal of the two reports shall not be to criticize existing  
16 training practices but to ensure that the Albuquerque Police Department  
17 provides training in the use of deadly force that is consistent with the best  
18 practices being used throughout the nation.

19 Section 5. The written reports shall be provided to the Administration, the  
20 City Council and shall be made available to the public.

21 Section 6. The City should provide at least one public forum regarding the  
22 recommendations of the evaluation.

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