



**From: Kelli Williams, Chief Communications Officer
City of Bartlesville**

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Statement issued upon request

The City of Bartlesville is reviewing internal employment related complaints received from two employees of the police department. In order to protect the rights of all parties involved and to ensure a full and impartial review, the chief and deputy chief are on paid administrative leave during this review. In their absence, Special Assistant to the Chief Rick Silver will serve as acting chief. There is no further information available at this time as the City does not comment publicly on personnel matters.