

**City announces semi-finalist internal candidates
For Brookings Police Chief position**

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The City of Brookings announced the names of four internal police officers who are semi-finalists for the position of Police Chief. The deadline for submitting applications from internal candidates was June 4.

The candidates are Captain Tod Wells with 22 years of service, Captain Jeff Miller with 24 years of service, Lieutenant Dave Erickson with ten years of service, and Lieutenant Derrick Powers with six years of service. All officers have held patrol positions with the Brookings Police Department during their service.

City Manager Jeff Weldon said interviews and evaluations of the four internal candidates will be undertaken within the next few weeks before any decision is made about expanding the search outside the department. "We will proceed expeditiously but deliberately in a comprehensive selection process for replacing Chief Gums." Bryan Gums announced his retirement as Police Chief from the Brookings Police Department effective July 1.