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## **MEDIA RELEASE:**

Executive Search Commences, Chief Deputy Scott Sheppard to Serve as Interim Police Chief

**BRAWLEY, California** – An executive search is underway for the next Police Chief for the City of Brawley. Chief Deputy Scott Sheppard will serve as Interim Police Chief beginning February 14, 2020, on a special assignment from the Imperial County Sheriff's Department.

Police Chief Robert Sawyer has accepted the position of Deputy Chief of Police with the City of El Centro. El Centro City Council action is scheduled for Tuesday, February 4, 2020. "The City would like to thank Police Chief Robert Sawyer for the last year and a half at the helm of the Brawley Police Department. We wish him great success in his future endeavors," stated City Manager Rosanna Bayon Moore.

The City will leverage local resources during this important period of transition. The Brawley Police Department consists of 40 full time permanent employees, including 26 sworn officers, and represents 1/3 of the City's workforce. Chief Deputy Sheppard will provide critical bridge leadership for an estimated period of four to six months.

"We are fortunate for the chance to work with Chief Deputy Sheppard who has in excess of twenty years of law enforcement experience, strong working knowledge of North County needs and excellent management skills," stated City Manager Rosanna Bayon Moore.

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