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INDEPENDENT POLICE REVIEW OPENS INVESTIGATION OF CHIEF LARRY O'DEA

On May 20, 2016, the Independent Police Review was made aware through a report in the Willamette Week that Portland Police Bureau Chief Larry O'Dea was involved on April 21, 2016, in an off-duty discharge of a firearm in Harney County, Oregon. IPR has opened an administrative investigation and will be interviewing witnesses.

As this is an ongoing investigation, IPR will not be able to comment further.

The Independent Police Review is a division of the City Auditor's Office and engages in independent, civilian oversight of the Portland Police Bureau. Under City Code 3.21. 070, IPR is authorized to initiate, monitor, and conduct administrative investigations. When there is an allegation of possible misconduct by a Police Bureau member of the rank of Captain or higher, IPR will conduct an independent investigation.

