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Edinburg City Attorney to step down

Edinburg, TX - The City of Edinburg announces the forthcoming departure of Omar Ochoa from his position as City Attorney after five years of dedicated service. Ochoa has been an integral part of the City of Edinburg, serving with distinction and commitment. He was appointed interim City Attorney on November 27, 2018, and subsequently assumed the role of permanent City Attorney on January 23, 2019. Following the successful completion of his initial term, Ochoa was reappointed on February 7, 2023.

Born and raised in Edinburg, Ochoa's roots run deep in the community. A graduate of Edinburg North High School, he went on to earn a business degree, a master's in accounting, and a law degree from UT Austin. Prior to joining the City of Edinburg, he worked at a prominent law firm in Houston before returning to the Rio Grande Valley in 2018 to establish the Omar Ochoa Law Firm.

Reflecting on his tenure, Mayor Ramiro Garza Jr. expressed heartfelt gratitude to Ochoa for his exemplary service to the city. "Omar's leadership and legal expertise have been invaluable assets to the City of Edinburg. We are grateful for his unwavering dedication and wish him all the best in his future endeavors. The council will now explore the possibility of transitioning to an in-house full-time attorney, and this matter will be deliberated at our next city council meeting."

Ochoa shared his appreciation for the opportunity to serve the City of Edinburg.

"It has been an honor and a thrill to serve my hometown and work alongside the dedicated professionals at the City of Edinburg. I am incredibly grateful for the trust placed in me by the City Council and for the support I received from the community. Serving as City Attorney has been a privilege, and I am proud of all that I've contributed to the progress of this great city," he said. "Although I'm stepping down from this position, I intend to stay engaged in the community and to support Edinburg in any way I can. I also look forward to focusing on my law firm's growth and contributing to the legal profession."

As Ochoa prepares to transition, the City of Edinburg will initiate the process of identifying a suitable replacement. Ochoa will continue to serve until a successor is appointed, ensuring a seamless transition for the city. A small farewell gathering will be planned to honor Ochoa's time with the city.