

Ruth Osuna
Assistant City Manager
City of Oxnard, California



Ruth Osuna was appointed as Oxnard's Assistant City Manager effective November 28, 2016. She oversees the operations and services provided by the Economic Development, Development Services, Housing and Public Works departments.

Prior to joining the City of Oxnard, Osuna served as assistant city manager for the City of Brownsville, Texas, the largest city in Cameron County with a population of nearly 200,000. During her time in Brownsville, Osuna managed the Engineering, Public Works, Traffic, Human Resources, Parks and Recreation, Municipal Information Systems, Planning and Public Health departments. She also oversaw the Brownsville Metro public transit system and the offices of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, and Grant Management and Community Development. Under her leadership, the City of Brownsville undertook major projects including creating a municipal housing finance corporation to provide loans to multi-family housing developments; developing the parks and recreation master plan; and leading the White House initiative on Strong Cities, Strong Communities (SC2).

In addition to working for the City of Brownsville, Osuna served as city manager for the City of Eloy, Ariz. She also worked for the City of Phoenix, Ariz., in various capacities including deputy city manager, director of cultural affairs and deputy director of community and economic development. She was appointed by former Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Andrew Cuomo to serve two years as a community builder fellow for HUD.

Osuna is an active member of the International City/County Management Association and the International Hispanic Network. She also sits on the board of the Alliance for Innovation.

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Master of Public Administration from Arizona State University

Bachelor of Science in education from Northern Arizona University