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## **City Manager Announces Resignation**

Wichita Falls, Texas – Wichita Falls City Manager, Darron Leiker, has informed the Wichita Falls City Council that he will be resigning from his role.

Among his many accomplishments, he helped lead the community through a multi-year drought of record, advancing innovative water supply management strategies and conservation measures, including the largest direct potable reuse system in the United States.

He worked with the city council on a downtown renaissance that has transformed a struggling Central Business District into a thriving hub where residents live, work and play. He navigated the City through the multiple challenges associated with the Covid-19 pandemic. He helped spearhead many public-private partnerships, to include a \$70 million full-service Marriott brand hotel and conference center, and other strategic partnerships with Sheppard Air Force Base and Midwestern State University.

"It has been my distinct honor and privilege to have served this city for the last 22 years, with 19 as City Manager," Leiker said. "We have a great team of staff, and I am proud of what we've accomplished. I am grateful for the support I received from the community and the 29 different city council members that I worked for over my tenure."

"During this transition, I am committed to working with the city council and leadership team to ensure the continuity of services we provide to this community. I wish Wichita Falls ongoing success," Leiker added.

Mayor Tim Short said, "The City Council has accepted the City Manager's resignation. We wish him well into the future and thank him for his decades of service to the city. More details regarding the timeline and transition of leadership will be provided at a later date."