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## **Oxnard Man Convicted of Murder**

*VENTURA, California* – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that on April 18, 2022, a jury convicted Gerardo Miguel Rodriguez-Grajeda (DOB 10/13/85), of Oxnard, of second-degree murder for the September 23, 2018, killing of Jorge Tejada.

The murder occurred at approximately 2:35 a.m. in Oxnard. The jury found that, after an earlier altercation between the victim and the defendant, the defendant struck the victim with his vehicle which caused the victim's death. Rodriguez-Grajeda was also convicted of two misdemeanor counts for an incident that occurred later that day. The case was investigated by the Oxnard Police Department.

Sentencing for Rodriguez-Grajeda is set for May 16, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in courtroom 48 of the Ventura County Superior Court. Rodriguez-Grajeda faces a maximum possible sentence of 16 years to life in prison.

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