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CITY SELECTS TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR

Following a national recruitment and competitive selection process, Tucson City Manager Michael Ortega has selected Diana Alarcon as the new Director of the Tucson Department of Transportation (TDOT), effective Oct. 1, 2018.

Finalists were interviewed by City staff and a panel that included neighborhood representatives, bicycle and pedestrian safety advocates, transit stakeholders, and public and private sector engineering professionals.

Alarcon served most recently as the Director of Transportation and Mobility for Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where she served for the past seven years. While there, she established a new department to address high-priority transportation initiatives for the City, including the Executive Airport, parking services, transportation planning, transit services, and traffic management.

“Diana has significant experience in the public and private sectors, working in a variety of transportation fields,” said City Manager Michael Ortega. “I feel confident that she can bring the experience, energy, and vision necessary to lead this critical department.”

As TDOT Director, Alarcon will oversee a budget of more than \$306 million and a current staff of 258 employees across many work teams. The department handles all aspects of streets and traffic maintenance, traffic engineering, transit, floodplain administration, and bicycle and pedestrian safety.

Alarcon is a transportation official with more than 22 years of work experience in the public and private sectors.

In her previous positions, Alarcon was a champion of sustainability and connectivity initiatives, such as complete streets design, citywide greenways, and multimodal transportation networks for bicyclists, pedestrians, transit, and vehicles.

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