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## **ALICIA JOHN-BAPTISTE NAMED CHIEF OF INFRASTRUCTURE, CLIMATE AND MOBILITY**

**SAN FRANCISCO**– Today, Mayor-elect Daniel Lurie announced the latest appointment in his administration, naming Alicia John-Baptiste, the current President and Chief Executive Officer of the San Francisco Bay Area Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR), Chief of Infrastructure, Climate and Mobility. The news follows recent leadership appointment [announcements](#) as well as the Mayor-elect’s [plans](#) to restructure the office of the mayor to enhance effectiveness and accountability.

*“I’m proud to announce Alicia John-Baptiste as the city’s first Chief of Infrastructure, Climate and Mobility,” **said Mayor-elect Daniel Lurie.** “Alicia brings extensive expertise in shaping bold, transformative policies, and whose leadership will enhance communication and transparency as we pursue a more sustainable, connected, and resilient San Francisco.”*

The Infrastructure, Climate and Mobility Chief will coordinate the strategic alignment of a portfolio of departments with a focus on the following key priorities – making the city more mobile through efficient and effective services, utilizing infrastructure projects as a vehicle for economic growth and to meet climate and resiliency goals.

*“I am thrilled to be returning to government service at such a critical time for the future of San Francisco,” **said Alicia John-Baptiste, Chief of Infrastructure, Climate and Mobility.** “How the City plans for and delivers on its major infrastructure, climate, and mobility goals will shape our vitality for years to come and I’m looking forward to partnering with the Mayor-elect and City leadership on this important work. I’m also excited to directly implement a recommendation from SPUR’s good government work by joining the newly-created team of policy chiefs.”*

In this role, John-Baptiste will coordinate the following departments: Environment, Municipal Transportation Agency, Port of San Francisco, Public Utilities Commission, Public Works, Recreation & Parks.

*"Alicia is an incredible leader. She has the deep knowledge and expertise to help this Administration achieve its audacious goals," said Tomiquia Moss, Secretary, California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency. "She has a rare understanding of how the civic sector works - both inside and outside of government. I have worked with Alicia in several roles over the years to improve the Bay Area and have witnessed her deep commitment to community. She will be an asset to San Francisco in this new role."*

*"While we certainly will miss Alicia in her leadership role at SPUR, I can't imagine a better choice to help spearhead the important policy work that lies ahead for the City and County of San Francisco," said Lydia Tan, Executive Chair, SPUR Board of Directors. "She will bring to the role a talent for pulling together a broad range of perspectives, which will be essential in achieving real change and a better San Francisco for all."*

### **Alicia John-Baptiste, Chief of Infrastructure**



A seasoned leader and public policy professional, Alicia John-Baptiste has over 25 years of experience reimagining systems to create better outcomes for people. She currently serves as President and CEO of SPUR, where her optimistic vision and practical approach inform the urban policy organization's efforts to build a Bay Area where all people can thrive. Prior to her time at SPUR, Alicia developed deep appreciation for local government and its commitment to the collective good while serving in leadership roles for the City and County of San Francisco, including as Chief of Staff at the San

Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency. Experienced in both public policy and complex organizational management, Alicia focuses her talents and experience on collaborating for a better future. Alicia holds a Masters degree in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School, a Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University, and has served on the Bay Conservation and Development Commission, the Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board, and the Oakland Budget Advisory Commission, among other service roles.

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*Daniel Lurie is the Mayor-Elect of the City and County of San Francisco.*