

## MAYOR KEVIN L. FAULCONER CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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## NEWS RELEASE

## **Faulconer Introduces Mayoral Staff**

Mayor selects diverse group of public servants to help lead the city

San Diego, CA – Today Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer introduced the 26-member staff he's assembled to help him lead America's Finest City.

"I'm honored these outstanding and dedicated people have decided to join my administration and help achieve my vision for the City," Faulconer said. "They come from all walks of life and reflect the kaleidoscope of cultures and ethnic backgrounds that make our City such a wonderful place to live."

The staff reflects the diversity that Faulconer promised during the recent mayoral campaign. The hires include members of the African-American, Asian-American, Latino and LGBT communities as well as residents from every corner of the City. There are five Spanish speakers on staff along with others fluent in Cantonese and Vietnamese.

The administration is also comprised of experts in the fields of education, transportation, land use and public safety who have excellent relationships with decision-makers in Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

"They will be working hard every day to create One San Diego – a more inclusive and transparent City government that delivers quality neighborhood services to taxpayers and creates opportunities for San Diegans to live the American Dream," Faulconer said.

The complete staff list is below.

Stephen Puetz, Chief of Staff Jaymie Bradford, Deputy Chief of Staff & Chief of Policy Felipe Monroig, Deputy Chief of Staff & Chief of Community Engagement. Matt Awbrey, Deputy Chief of Staff & Chief of Communications Don Giaquinto, Director of Protocol Almis Udrys, Director of Government Affairs Katherine Johnston, Senior Policy Advisor & Deputy Director of Government Affairs Mike Hansen, Director of Land Use and Environmental Policy Monica Montgomery, Senior Policy Advisor

Brian Pepin, Director of Council Affairs Francis Barraza, Director of Boards and Commissions & Community Representative for Council District 1 Ian Clampett, Deputy Director of Binational Affairs & Senior Community Representative for Council District 2 Rich Reyes, Community Representative for Council Districts 3 and 9 Darnisha Hunter, Community Representative for Council District 4 John Ly, Director of Outreach & Community Representative for Council Districts 5 and 6 Anthony George, Community Representative for Council District 7 Andrea Cardenas, Community Representative for Council District 8 Craig Gustafson, Press Secretary & Director of Media Relations Charles Chamberlayne, Press Secretary & Senior Advisor Michelle Porras, Director of Scheduling Tanya Lundy, Executive Assistant to the Mayor Cheri Hoy, Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff Sara Cavataio, Director of Administration Shalonda Vinegar, Administrative Assistant Caroline Ledesma, Administrative Assistant TBD, Director of Binational Affairs

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