



MEMORANDUM

Date: January 11, 2021

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

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Re: **Appointment of Procurement Department Director**

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Terri Spencer as the Director of the Procurement Department, effective March 3, 2021.

Ms. Spencer has been with the Pima County Procurement Department since 2001 and has served as the Acting Director in the Procurement Director's Absence since 2016. Ms. Spencer is a Certified Purchasing Manager with a Paralegal degree from Pima Community College, A B.S. in Management Magna Cum Laude from Park University, and has over 30 years of contracting experience. As a member of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, she was selected as the 2012 NIGP Copper Chapter Manager of the Year and the 2020 NIGP National Professional Manager of the Year.

Ms. Spencer will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Ms. Mary Jo Furphy, who will leave Pima County after 16 years of service, including the last five years as the Director of the Procurement Department.

Under Ms. Furphy's leadership, the Department Office has received numerous accolades including the prestigious 25th Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement for 2020 from the National Procurement Institute. Ms. Furphy exemplified the mission of the Procurement Department, which is to ensure that the public funds provided by the citizens of Pima County are spent in a professional, ethical, and lawful manner, through a program dedicated to transparency, impartiality, accountability and excellent customer service.

Please join me in wishing Ms. Furphy the very best in her retirement and in congratulating Ms. Spencer in her new role.

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c: Jan Leshar, Chief Deputy County Administrator
Carmine DeBonis, Jr., Deputy County Administrator for Public Works
Francisco García, MD, MPH, Deputy County Administrator & Chief Medical Officer,
Health and Community Services
Cathy Bohland, Director, Human Resources