



SPEAKER



Stephanie Garcia-Vause

Assistant City Manager & Chief Strategy Officer

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Stephanie Garcia-Vause was named Assistant City Manager for the city of Henderson in March 2018. She previously served as the City of Henderson's Director of Community Development and Services ensuring high quality development and service standards, as well as progressive long-term city planning. She brings more than two decades of planning expertise and experience working to promote a vibrant, balanced, and cohesive city through the built-environment to her leadership post.

Stephanie has participated in regional planning efforts in the Las Vegas Valley since 1997. Under her leadership, the City of Henderson competed for and secured a \$3.5 million Sustainable Communities Grant, which led to Southern Nevada's first regional planning initiative, Southern Nevada Strong (SNS). Stephanie served as Project Director for SNS on behalf of the region. She ultimately produced the first federally recognized Regional Plan for sustainable development allowing all local municipalities to compete for funding never before available. Her efforts positioned Henderson as a leader in regional planning and increased the City's economic competitiveness as a region overall. The project has been recognized by numerous organizations for innovative planning techniques, a unique approach to sustainability, and unprecedented levels of public outreach, including the Las Vegas Business Press, Green Chips, and the Nevada Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA).

After receiving a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of California, Berkeley, Stephanie went on to earn her master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.