

Jennifer Gallagher Director

Jennifer Gallagher is currently the Director of the Department of Public Service at the City of Columbus, Ohio where she leads a team of 800 employees and manages an operating budget of approximately \$100 Million and a capital budget of over \$100 M.

Under Jennifer's leadership, the City won the U.S. Department of Transportation \$40 million Smart City Challenge in June of 2016 after competing against 77 cities nationwide to become the country's first city to fully integrate innovative technologies into their transportation network. Columbus was also awarded an additional \$10 million grant from Paul G. Allen's Vulcan Inc. to accelerate the transition to an electrified, low emissions transportation system.

Prior to this appointment, she served as Deputy Director since 2011. As Deputy Director, Jennifer orchestrated the restructuring of the department's divisions to improve customer service, project efficiencies and employee morale. She also implemented changes on consultant procurement that led to contracts completed quicker, better use of technology and processes to track a variety of goals. She has enjoyed working in the transportation field for over 20 years. Jennifer started her career as a Traffic Engineer for the Franklin County Engineer's Office. She then worked in various roles at the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Jennifer is a graduate of The Ohio State University with both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in Civil Engineering and is a licensed engineer in the state of Ohio.