

## **Lorraine Grillo**

For the past 30+ years Lorraine Grillo has served in numerous roles in New York City government, they include as First Deputy Mayor, as the President and CEO of the NYC School Construction Authority and Commissioner of the NYC Department of Design and Construction. Grillo has forged a distinguished career leading major citywide infrastructure and construction initiatives. As First Deputy Mayor, she was instrumental in advancing the Kips Bay Science Park and Research Campus which will transform the antiquated Hunter College, Brookdale campus into nearly two million square feet of modern academic, healthcare and life science space. She also led the Capital Process Reform task force which convened nearly 20 construction, labor and infrastructure leaders to reimagine how New York City builds capital projects.

In 2021, then New York City Mayor Bill DeBlasio appointed Grillo as the first ever Recovery Czar where she coordinated across government agencies, nonprofits and the private sector to ensure everyone was working together for New York City's recovery from the pandemic.

Previously, as the longest serving President and CEO of the New York City School Construction Authority, Grillo spearheaded the construction of over 80,000 new school seats, 9000 early childhood seats and nearly 4000 capital improvement projects, managing a total budget of over \$28 billion. She was first appointed by Mayor Michael Bloomberg in 2010 and reappointed by Mayor DeBlasio in 2014. Under her leadership, the authority became New York State's top-performing minority and women owned business (M/WBE) program and a national model. In her simultaneous role as commissioner of the city's Department of Design and Construction, she played a pivotal role in streamlining the city's project delivery process.

Grillo's reputation as a collaborative, no nonsense leader has earned her respect across government and industry alike. She's known not only for her unparalleled work ethic and ability to execute complex projects but also for fostering collaboration, mentorship, and strong leadership teams.

This legacy will continue at Bradford Construction where she has recently been appointed CEO.