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Prior to Brookings, Ms. Wagner was the Deputy Planning Director, Long Range Planning for the Government of the District of Columbia, where she: developed the City's first Long Range Vision Framework; led the initiative to develop neighborhood plans for all 131 city neighborhoods; and managed all highly controversial land use disputes. For a year, she was appointed as the Regional Planning Director for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, coordinating multi-jurisdictional planning efforts.

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