



Magnusson Architecture and Planning names Alvarez as technical director

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New York, NY Magnusson Architecture and Planning (MAP) appointed Fernando Alvarez as technical director.

At MAP, Alvarez will be involved in all phases of design and construction, with an emphasis on the quality assurance process and leadership in the delivery of high-quality projects as the firm takes on bigger and more advanced developments.

“We are thrilled to welcome Fernando as MAP’s Technical Director. His extensive experience will strengthen our mission to create quality housing for all New Yorkers,” said Magnus Magnusson, founding principal.

“With his deep technical expertise, Fernando will help us further refine the balance and precision needed to deliver the leading-edge sustainable and award-winning designs that MAP is known for,” said Chris Jones, principal.

“Fernando is a proven leader and he’s an expert in typologies that we are designing for now, like high-rise, so it is very exciting to have him join our team. I know he can help us push forward toward even healthier and more sustainable buildings,” said Fernando Villa, principal.

Alvarez has over 25 years of experience in a broad array of building typologies, with expertise in high rise residential and commercial design. His work covers buildings with a range of programming from luxury rental and condominiums to affordable housing to office.

His most recent projects include a 50-story rental building at the Hudson Yards, a 30-story luxury condominium development in Soho, a 350,000 s/f life science/class A office building in Harlem, a 974- unit rental tower in Court Square, and a 27-story luxury rental building in New Rochelle.

For over three decades, Magnusson Architecture and Planning (MAP) has worked with non-profit groups, municipalities, and for-profit developers to produce award-winning housing and neighborhood revitalization projects at the forefront of quality design and sustainability. MAP offers comprehensive architectural and planning services, and specializes in affordable, supportive, senior and workforce housing, as well as buildings with a range of affordability including market-rate or integrated supportive units. MAP’s expertise extends to community-based planning and urban design, resident-in-place renovations, mixed-use development and sustainable design for Passive

House, LEED, NYSERDA, Energy Star, and Enterprise Green Communities certification.

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