

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS AND PUBLIC TRUST



In Re: Daniel Espino

C 22-14-03

PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER

Complainant, James Llewellyn, filed this Complaint against Mr. Daniel Espino, the former City Attorney for the City of Miami Springs. The Complaint alleged that Mr. Espino violated the Truth in Government provision of the Miami-Dade County Citizens' Bill of Rights when he "failed to correct the [City of Miami Springs Planning and Zoning] Board during a public hearing where one of the Board members expressed the [alleged] erroneous belief that . . . parking would be shared with the public" at a building site located at 1 Curtiss Parkway in the City of Miami Springs.

Legal sufficiency exists where the complaint adequately alleges a violation of an ordinance within the jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission, committed by an individual within the authority of the Ethics Commission, based substantially on the personal knowledge of the Complainant and filed with the Ethics Commission within three years of the alleged violation.

Pursuant to the Miami-Dade County Citizens' Bill of Rights Truth in Government provision: "No County or municipal official or employee shall knowingly furnish false information on any public matter, nor knowingly omit significant facts when giving requested information to members of the public." Because the Miami-Dade Citizens' Bill of Rights does not create or impose any duty to correct erroneous information, the Complaint does not sufficiently allege a violation of that provision.

On May 11, 2022, the Ethics Commission voted unanimously and dismissed the Complaint for lack of legal sufficiency.

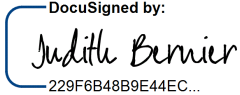
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Wherefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that COMPLAINT C 22-14-03 against Respondent Espino is hereby dismissed.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on this 11th day of May 2022.

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By: 
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Dr. Judith Bernier
Chair
Signed on: 5/18/2022

CC: Respondent
Complainant