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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

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In re: Richard Perez

Case No: 09-18

PUBLIC REPORT AND ORDER DISMISSING COMPLAINT

The Advocate filed the above-captioned complaint against Richard Perez ("Respondent") for alleged violation of Section 2-11.1(s) (Lobbying). The complaint alleged the Respondent represented Palm and Tower during a Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP) hearing before the Board of County Commissioners.

The Respondent represented Palm and Tower during the CDMP hearing. Palm and Tower were successors in interest to the original owners of the property seeking the CDMP amendments. The Respondent failed to register as a lobbyist for Palm and Tower when they assumed ownership of the property.

On December 9, 2009, the Advocate filed a Motion to Dismiss the complaint on the grounds that the Respondent was properly registered as a lobbyist for the party that filed the initial application to amend the CDMP. Further,

the Respondent registered for Palm and Tower prior to completion of the CDMP proceedings. Upon review of the complaint, the Advocate's motion and hearing the argument of the parties, the Ethics Commission ordered the complaint dismissed on the grounds that the public interest would not be served by further proceedings.


Therefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT the Complaint is
DISMISSED.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust in public session on December 9, 2009.

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION
ON ETHICS AND PUBLIC TRUST**

By: _____


Kerry Rosenthal
Chairperson

cc: Richard Perez