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

In re: TERENCE K. PINDER

C 12-04

PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL ORDER

On January 23, 2012, in a Stipulated Agreement with the State Attorney of the 11th Judicial Circuit of Florida, Respondent Terrence K. Pinder agreed to the jurisdiction of the Miami-Dade Ethics Commission to impose noncriminal penalties pursuant to Miami-Dade County Code at Secs. 2-11.1(g) and (bb)(1) in lieu of criminal prosecution of Case No. F06-39719 in Miami-Dade County Circuit Court.

Respondent Pinder was alleged to have used his city-issued credit cards from about 2004 through 2006 to incur charges of between \$4,000 to \$5,000 that were unrelated to public business. At the time, Respondent Pinder served as the Vice Mayor on the City Commission of the City of Opa-Locka. These allegations, if true, violate the County Ethics Code at Sec. 2-11.1(g), *Exploitation of official position*.

Pursuant to the County Code at Secs. 2-1068 and 2-11.1(a), the jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission extends to Respondent Pinder, a former municipal elected official.

In public session on January 24, 2012, the Ethics Commission agreed to the terms of the Stipulated Agreement proposed by the State Attorney and Respondent Pinder. These terms include, but are not limited to the following: Mr. Pinder will not contest the legal sufficiency of this complaint and the existence of probable cause with regard to the charged

violation. Mr. Pinder further agreed to waive any and all rights he may have to contest the violation.

Additionally, Mr. Pinder acknowledged his liability for the violation, agreed to pay a fine of \$500 and agreed to reimburse the City of Opa-Locka an additional \$3,000 beyond the \$1,400 he has already paid. Mr. Pinder will also pay \$500 to each of the following agencies for investigative costs: the Miami-Dade Ethics Commission, the Miami-Dade Police Department and the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office.

These and all other terms of the Stipulated Agreement of January 23, 2012, are incorporated into this Final Order.

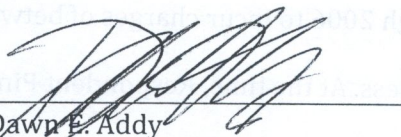
Therefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT the complaint against Terrance K. Pinder is hereby settled.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on January 24, 2012.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS &
PUBLIC TRUST

By:


Dawn E. Addy
Chair

Signed on this date:

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