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Sent: Friday, June 20, 2014 10:39 AM
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INQ 14-150
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INQ 14-150

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To: 'Alejandro@alejandroaguirre.com'
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Subject: Alejandro Aguirre Ethics Opinion (Restrictions on Doing Business With the County) INQ 14-150

Dear Mr. Aguirre:

Attached is the Limitations on Doing Business with the County Ethics Opinion letter. Please note that it indicates that your board service with the Miami-Dade Cultural Affairs Council (CAC) does not prohibit you from entering into a contract with the County as long as CAC has no oversight over your county contract(s). You may print out the attached letter and submit it to the Procurement department. I will send you the original letter via regular mail.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Wednesday, June 18, 2014 10:48 AM

To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

Subject: Ethics Commission Conflict of Interest Opinion Miami Dade County

Dear Ms. Diaz-Greco,

It was a pleasure to speak with you yesterday, and I thank you for answering my telephone call.

As per our conversation, I am sending you the form that you so kindly emailed to me yesterday evening.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 305-606-3459, or to email me at the above address, whichever is most convenient.

Thanking you in advance for your help, I also want to take this opportunity to wish you a very happy summer.

Sincerely yours,

Alejandro Aguirre

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Sent from my iPhone. Please excuse typos and grammatical errors.

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June 20, 2014

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Please submit this letter to the Procurement your County Board Members Wishing to Register as County Vendors' application. The Ethics Commission does not submit this letter on your behalf.

Re: INQ 14-150, Limitations on Doing Business with the County

Dear Mr. Aguirre:

You serve on the Miami-Dade Cultural Affairs Council (CAC) as a board member. CAC supports cultural affairs in the County and provides grants to artists and cultural organizations.

On June 18, 2014, you asked about limitations in doing business with the County through your privately owned company, Aguirre Consultants, Inc. which provides business and media consulting services. You advise that you would not be seeking to do business with either CAC or the Cultural Affairs Department.

Your board service with CAC does not preclude you with contracting with the County as long as CAC has no oversight over your County contracts.

The County Ethics Code at Sec. 2-11.1 (c)(3) prohibits a County board member from entering into a contract with the County if the board on which he serves would oversee the contract. Further, Sec. 2-11.1(m)(2) prohibits a County board member from making presentations or seeking any benefits for himself or others from the board on which he serves. Sec. 2-11.1(v) is also relevant. It prohibits a County board member from voting on a matter if he would be directly affected by the vote and he has an enumerated relationship with the entity before the board.

Based on the facts you presented, you would not have a prohibited conflict of interest because CAC would not be involved in any aspect of the contracts your firm enters into with the County,

This opinion construes the Miami-Dade Conflict of Interest Ordinance only and is not applicable to any conflict under state law. Inquiries regarding possible conflicts under state law should be directed to the Florida Commission on Ethics.

If any of the facts you have presented change or if you have further questions, please feel free to contact me at 305 350-0638.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gilma Diaz-Greco".

Gilma Diaz-Greco
Staff Attorney

County Board Members Wishing to Register as County Vendors

Please submit the following information by mail, fax, **or** email to-

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Board Member's Name Alejandro J. Aguirre

Board Name Miami Dade Cultural Affairs Council

Board Member Title Council Member

Business Name/Type of Business Aguirre Consultants, Inc./Business & Media Consulting

Board Member's Mailing Address 7504 SW 78th TE, Miami, Florida 33143

Board Member's email alejandro@alejandroaguirre.com

Do you have a **controlling financial interest** (10% or more) in a corporation, firm or entity that is seeking to contract with the County?

Yes No

If not-
Are you or any of your immediate family members **employed** by a County Vendor?

Yes No

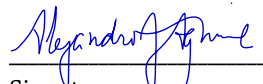
Name of County Vendor _____

The Miami-Dade County Conflict of Interest & Code of Ethics at Secs. 2-11.1 (c)(3) and (d) allows County Board Members who have a **controlling financial interest (10% or more)** in a corporation firm or entity to contract with the County in certain circumstances and if the following criteria are met. *See also* Secs. 2-11.1 (m)(2),(v).

Please confirm that you will meet all of these criteria:

1. I will not contract with any County agency or department subject to the regulation, oversight, management, policy-setting, or quasi-judicial authority of the board of which I am a member. *See* 2-11.1(c)(3) and (d).
2. I will not make a presentation or seek any benefits for myself or others from the board on which I serve. *See* 2-11.1(m)(2).
3. I will not vote on any matter if I will be directly affected by the vote and I have one of the enumerated relationships in Sec. 2-11.1(v) with the firm, corporation, or entity before the board.

I have read these requirements and pledge to abide by them.


Signature

06/18/2014
Date