



To: Dona Spain and Virginia Goizueta

From: Craig E. Leen, City Attorney for the City of Coral Gables

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "C. Leen", is written over the end of the "From:" line.

RE: Legal Opinion Regarding City Historic Projects - Art Fees

Date: December 19, 2016

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From: [Leen, Craig](#)
To: [Paulk, Enga](#)
Subject: FW: City historic projects - art fees
Date: Monday, December 19, 2016 11:28:48 AM

Please publish.

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From: Leen, Craig
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2016 11:15 AM
To: Spain, Dona; Goizueta, Virginia
Cc: Wu, Charles; Santamaria, Eduardo; Ramos, Miriam; Gonzalez, Alejandro; Kautz, Kara; Guin, Elizabeth; Cathers, Catherine
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-----Original Message-----

From: Spain, Dona

Sent: Monday, December 19, 2016 10:56 AM

To: Goizueta, Virginia

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Subject: City historic projects - art fees

On the city projects that involve historic properties I believe the Historic Art Fee of 1% should be waived. However, the .5% for the Art Acquisition Fund should still apply and should be paid. These existing projects include:

Merrick House

Venetian Pool

Plaza's and Entrances

Craig and Miriam, please verify that this is the case and Virginia, please verify that this is what happened.

Sent from my iPhone