



To: City Commission
Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark, City Manager

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "CL", written over the name "Craig E. Leen".

RE: Legal Opinion Regarding Blue Ribbon Pannel

Date: October 14, 2017

The City Attorney opined members of City Boards could also be appointed to the Blue Ribbon Committee established by the City Commission and provide the following additional legal analysis:

Please note, the relevant provision is section 2-59(f) of the City Code, which limits membership on more than one permanent board at one time (section 2-60(b) has similar language). As this is a temporary ad hoc committee (similar to the prior Charter Review Committee), and not a permanent board, the limitation does not apply.

This opinion is issued pursuant to section 2-201(e)(1) and (8) of the City Code.

From: [Leen, Craig](#)
To: [Paulk, Enga](#)
Subject: FW: Memo on Behalf of Commissioner Lago Re: Blue Ribbon Panel
Date: Saturday, October 14, 2017 6:02:15 PM
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Please publish. Please include a sentence that this opinion is issued pursuant to section 2-201(e)(1) and (8) of the City Code. Thanks.

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From: Leen, Craig
Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 8:21 PM
To: Swanson-Rivenbark, Cathy <cswanson@coralgables.com>
Cc: Fernandez, Frank <ffernandez@coralgables.com>; Iglesias, Peter <piglesias@coralgables.com>; Ramos, Miriam <mramos@coralgables.com>
Subject: Re: Memo on Behalf of Commissioner Lago Re: Blue Ribbon Panel

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On Oct 13, 2017, at 7:13 PM, Leen, Craig <cleen@coralgables.com> wrote:

Yes, members of City boards may serve. It should be viewed similar to the most recent Charter Review Committee in this respect.

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On Oct 13, 2017, at 5:37 PM, Swanson-Rivenbark, Cathy <cswanson@coralgables.com> wrote:

Craig- Since this is a Blue Ribbon Panel that is constituted only for a short period of time may members of official City Boards sit on the panel?

From: Granell, Chelsea
Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 5:03 PM
To: Valdes-Fauli, Raul; Keon, Patricia; Frank Quesada; Mena, Michael; Swanson-Rivenbark, Cathy; Leen, Craig; Foeman, Walter; Iglesias, Peter; Fernandez, Frank
Cc: Lago, Vince; Paz, Evelyn; Ochoa, Martha; Levi, Naomi; Lopez, Solanch
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Good Afternoon,

Please find enclosed a memo on behalf of Commissioner Lago.

Commissioners, please do not reply all and message me directly with any questions.

Kind regards,

Chelsea Granell Lindsey, MPA

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