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Attachment 1



August 6, 2025

VIA EMAIL: townclerk@lakeparkflorida.gov

Ms. Vivian Mendez, Town Clerk
Town of Lake Park
535 Park Ave.
Lake Park, Florida 33403

Re: 918 Park Avenue

Dear Ms. Mendez:

I write to request a waiver on behalf of REG Architects, Inc. ("REG") and myself to continue our representation of The Adler in connection with its petition for a certificate of appropriateness to demolish the historically designated structure at 918 Park Avenue. This waiver request is necessitated due to a December 2023 continuing services contract into which REG has entered with the Town. Section 13 of that contract states:

The Town agrees that the Consultant may perform services for clients who are or may have matters before the Town Commission, provided Consultant discloses any and all clients it represents who may have any matters which are now or may reasonably be expected to come before the Town Commission for its consideration and, provided further that the Town Commission waives the actual or potential conflict of interest created by Consultant's represented of the other client.

A waiver is particularly appropriate in this matter due to my longstanding relationship with The Adler and its principal, Glen Spiritis. In 2023, I was retained by The Adler in connection with an unsuccessful petition to de-designate 918 Park Avenue as historic. It is my understanding that I was actually recommended by Town Staff for retention by The Adler in connection with that endeavor. I did a substantial amount of research, prepared a detailed report, and testified for The Adler in that proceeding. While The Adler was ultimately unsuccessful in its request to de-designate the property, the Town Commission expressly left open the availability of pursuing relief under a certificate of appropriateness, which it is now doing. Given my relationship with The Adler, as well as my knowledge and familiarity with the structure, it would create an undue expense, burden and hardship should The Adler be required to obtain a new architectural expert at this juncture.

Further, the Town would not be prejudiced were I allowed to continue my representation of The Adler. First, I would not be available to be retained by the Town due to my pre-existing relationship with The Adler. Second, in the prior proceedings, the Town was represented by Richard Heisenbottle, registered architect. Presumably, the Town would retain Mr. Heisenbottle in this new matter.

I therefore respectfully request the Town Commission to favorably consider this waiver.

Very truly yours,



REG Architects, Inc.

Rick Gonzalez

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via email
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Esq. – via email Glen
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