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City of North Miami Beach - Fabrication of Affidavits to cover up a \$1000 PayPal payment

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Attention Mayor and Commission,

I have been trying to get records for the cost of Paule Villard's Unsung Heroes' event for quite some time; however, I have been met with nothing but unreasonable delays and excuses. I submitted a PRR in April 2022 and just now received the invoices for the event, one of the documents is extremely concerning, and I must bring it to your attention as this shows an active conspiracy to cover up/justify the costs by fabricating documentation.

This letter will serve as my formal demand for a forensic audit to look for and identify wasteful spending, misuse of funds and intentionally fabricating fictitious records to protect unethical spending of taxpayer money.

Here is a bit of insight for our newer commissioners and members of the media who I have included in this email.

This event happened on March 29th of 2022 and after speaking with people who attended, the event was a laughable tribute to Paule Villard, hosted by Paule Villard. Instead of honoring several of the countless amazing women in the community, all the winners of this award were friends and family of Paule Villard, a list that even included her own daughter. At this point, it is common knowledge that this public spectacle served no purpose to the residents of North Miami Beach and seemed to only exist as a way for Paule Villard to honor her friends and family with an opulent taxpayer funded party. Paule Villard herself was even awarded that night with a fictitious "quintessential woman of the year" award.

At 5:00 PM today, I finally received a response to [PRR-2022-334](#) which was created on April 9th of 2022, a whole 264 days from the date I created this request. This is 8 months and 20 days, which I would argue violates my rights under Florida laws when it comes to a reasonable amount of time for government records to be produced. Sadly, the idea of waiting over 6 months for a public record to be answered seems to be a trend in North Miami Beach.

Upon reviewing the documents, it is clear that Paule Villard spared no expense when it came to wasting taxpayer money on her party. One document, however, stood out to me, specifically an Affidavit to justify a \$1000 PayPal purchase without a receipt or invoice. In a digital world, specifically when PayPal is the method of payment, I find it hard to believe that there was no invoice produced. In addition to the fact this Affidavit even exists being a problem it was created a few days ago, on December 14th by the North Miami Beach Finance Director, Agnew Jean-Pierre - a ludicrous 249 days after the event happened and 14 days after Commissioner Paule Villard was removed from office. Clearly, this Affidavit was fabricated by the finance director to cover up spending that cannot be justified. The finance director likely had little knowledge of the finances of this specific event, as he was hired a few days before Paule Villard's party.

An Affidavit by definition is a sworn statement, and in this case, it is a sworn statement between Paule Villard and the City of North Miami Beach. **The finance director cannot simply sign an Affidavit on behalf of a Commissioner and have it mean anything**, they can only sign it as a witness that they have received and approved of the Affidavit. It carries no value without Paule Villard's signature. It is akin to signing your own paycheck... 8 months after payday and only after the IRS demands an audit.

I believe the creation of this document is by its very nature fraudulent and if the finance director feels that it is appropriate to create this, I have to wonder what other documents were fabricated by the Finance Director. I feel that this one offense alone justifies the need for a complete forensic audit of the City of North Miami Beach. My concerns are also supported by the fact that Dade-County wishes to conduct an audit of the CRA's spending... [I still have no](#)

idea how they can justify a party where they are selling tables with bottles (of alcohol), a party that is not even free to the public... where exactly is the money going for this event?

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