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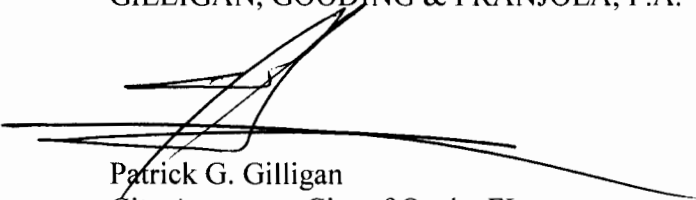
RE: Response to letter dated August 19, 2015,  
regarding Unconstitutional Grants to Churches

Dear Mr. Seidel:

I am in receipt of your above-referenced letter. I disagree with your legal analysis in part because the facts you rely upon are inaccurate. Nevertheless, there is nothing to argue about at this juncture. Your organization's objections are either untimely or moot. Specifically, the grant to the First Presbyterian Church of Ocala was made some time ago and it is my understanding that the church has already made repairs to its steeple. Your concerns about the St. Paul AME Church of Ocala are now moot because city council, at its last meeting, withdrew this funding item from the budget.

Very truly yours,

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