## Frigo, Victoria (COE)

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**Subject:** INQ - Airport Hotel - Aviation Department

I received an inquiry from Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez on behalf of the Aviation Department. The question raised was whether the Cone of Silence would permit the Aviation Director to communicate, following the issuance of an RFP with a potential bidder who had not submitted a proposal pursuant to the RFP. The issue involves an RFP for the Airport Hotel, which is contracted out by the County. The RFP Was advertised, thereby putting the Cone into effect. The Director was interested in having a conversation with personnel at FIU, which runs a hotel/hospitality program for its students, regarding whether they may wish to submit a proposal. It was agreed that, consistent with Section 2-11.1 (t)1.(c), such a meeting would be permitted under the Cone of Silence as long as it were done in the context of a duly noticed public meeting.

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