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Subject:	Medley Procurement Ordinance (INQ 13-145)

Mr. Pizzi,

While the Cone of Silence is in effect, the Mayor of Medley, who serves as a voting member of the Town Council, cannot in any way engage in oral communications with vendor-applicants. Among other activities, this means that the Mayor cannot serve on the selection committee that evaluates and recommends vendor-applicants and then, subsequently, vote as part of the Town Council on the recommendation made by the Selection Committee. *See* Miami-Dade County Code at Sec. 2-11.1 (t)1,(a).

If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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From: Michael Pizzi [mailto:mpizzi@townofmedley.com]
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Ms. Fraga:

Under proposed procurement legislation in Medley the Town Attorney and Town Staff are responsible for supervising RFPs and RFQs, including answering questions, procuring evaluation panels and obtaining recommendations for Council consideration. The Cone of Silence goes into effect once the bid is advertised and is not removed until a recommendation is made.

The Mayor of Medley serves as a voting member of the Town Council. Would it violate the cone of silence to have a procurement policy that permits the Mayor to interact with applicants and participate in the evaluation of applicants and make recommendations while the cone is in place and then vote on the recommendation.

Michael Pizzi
Town Attorney