

MEMO

To: File
FROM: Victoria Frigo
DATE: June 14, 2011
RE: INQ 11-95 Vinora Hamilton

Vinora Hamiton, Public Information Officer for the County Library, asked if the Ethics Code prohibited the library from renting a room to the National Association of Hispanic Public Administrators (NAHPA) for a mayoral debate open to the public. NAHPA wishes to hold the debate at the downtown library in order to encourage County employees to attend. NAHPA does not support either candidate.

Nothing in the Ethics Code prevents the library from renting a room for a mayoral debate. Certain State Election laws will apply to the candidates, such as not accepting donations in a public building, but these issues are outside the jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission.