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Miriam Singer inquired inquired regarding the applicability of the Cone of Silence to a secondary process for selection of a contractor on a pending transit security contract, following the rejection of the Mayor's recommendation by the Board of County Commissioners arising out of the original process. The contract was originally advertised for bid, a competitive selection process followed, and a recommendation submitted to the BCC by the Mayor, at which point the Cone was lifted. However, the BCC rejected the recommendation and essentially nullified the entire process, indicating that there should be a new non-bid selection process involving three firms, which happen to be the top three ranked firms in the process. New bids are to be obtained from the three firms from which a new recommendation is to be made. The question was whether the Cone of Silence should be reimposed for this subsequent competitive process. I advised that insofar as there was an advertised bid that triggered the process, that the BCC had referred it the matter back to the Mayor to conduct a second process on the same contract, the Cone should be reimposed during the balance of the process, pursuant to Section 2-11.1(t)1.(b)(ii), until the Mayor makes a subsequent written recommendation.

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