

Campaign mailings coming from El Dorado County-owned building

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The campaign for a water district seat is generating controversy after a mailer was linked to a developer whose address happens to be a building owned by the county.

It's not too often a little-watched race for the El Dorado Irrigation District makes news, but a flyer sent to voters' homes this week is not only generating controversy, but it has one county leader calling it illegal.

The ad warns of skyrocketing water rates, and endorses irrigation district candidate Richard Englefield.

The mailer is paid for by the El Dorado County Farmers Businesses And Homebuilders For Responsible Water Policy.

CBS13 tracked down who is behind that political action committee. Documents with the state connect the group to area developer Parker Development Group.

But the address clearly listed on the ad is 542 Main Street in Placerville. That's the Chamber of Commerce, which is housed in a county-owned building. The chamber is getting a steal of a deal, paying \$1 a year for a five-year lease.

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