

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - 3502

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA CERTIFYING AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE MARCH 17, 2026 TOWN OF SURFSIDE GENERAL MUNICIPAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS FOR THE ELECTION OF MAYOR AND FOUR (4) TOWN COMMISSIONERS, AND TWO PROPOSED BALLOT QUESTIONS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2026, the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside adopted two resolutions calling for a special election to submit to the electors two (2) proposed ballot questions: Resolution 2026-3480 (changing the general and runoff election dates starting in November 2028) and Resolution 2026-3481 (requiring the unanimous vote of the entire Town Commission to change floor area regulations); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside (“Town”) held both a general municipal election on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, for the election of Mayor and four Commissioners of the Town of Surfside, Florida (“General Election”) and a special election on the two proposed ballot questions (“Special Election”); and

WHEREAS, the qualifying period for the General Election closed on February 2, 2026 at noon; and

WHEREAS, Mark Blumstein, Shlomo Danzinger and Tina Paul qualified to run for the Office of Mayor, and Donna Dayana Benmergui, Yonathan Berdugo, William Blumenkranz, Jocelyn Kinzer, Fred Landsman, Andrea Travani, Gerardo Vildostegui, and Dovid “David” Weingot qualified to run for the Office of Town Commissioner(s); and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Elections Department has canvassed the returns, tabulated the ballots of the early voting, mail in votes, and election day voting, and has determined the total number of votes at said General Municipal and Special Election, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the unofficial results of the March 17, 2026 General Municipal and Special Elections were tabulated by the Miami-Dade County Elections Department and provided to the Town in a Summary Results Report dated March 19, 2026 06:20 p.m. (Exhibit "A") attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Summary Results Report reflected that a runoff election for the Office of the Mayor would be required pursuant to the Town Charter, Art. VI, Sec.105((5)(E); and a recount would be required for the Office of Town Commissioner(s) pursuant to Fla. Stat. §§102.141(7), 102.166(1); and

WHEREAS, following a Machine and a Manual Recount for the Office of Town Commissioner, the results of the March 17, 2026, General Municipal and Special Elections were certified on Thursday, March 19, 2026, by the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections, Alina Garcia (Exhibit B" attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission hereby certifies the results of the March 17, 2026, General Municipal and Special Elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. The above and foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby adopted and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Certification of General Municipal Election. The Town Commission finds, declares and certifies the results of the March 17, 2026, Election for the Office of the Town Commissioner(s) pursuant to the Certificate of County Canvassing Board Miami-Dade County (Exhibit "B" attached hereto).

It is hereby certified and declared that, pursuant to the votes cast in the Town of Surfside General Election held on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, Donna Dayana Benmergui was duly elected Vice Mayor and Andrea Travani, Gerardo Vildostegui, and Dovid "David" Weingot were duly elected to the Town Commission for the term which shall commence at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 and end on the first Monday in November 2028.

It is further hereby certified and declared that the results of the March 17, 2026 Election of the Office of the Mayor are not yet certified, pending a runoff election scheduled for Tuesday, April 7, 2026.

Section 3. Certification of Special Election. The Town Commission finds, declares and certifies the results of the Special Municipal Election held on March 17, 2026, for the proposed ballot questions pursuant to the Certification of the Official Results for the ballot questions listed herein attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

It is hereby certified and declared that, pursuant to the votes cast in the Town of Surfside Special Election held on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, the following results on the proposed ballot questions are declared and certified:

Ballot Question No. 1 – Requiring Unanimous Vote of Entire Town Commission to Change Floor Area Ratio Regulations

Yes 755

No 883

Ballot Question No. 2 – Changing General and Runoff Election Dates Starting in November 2028

Yes 1,058

No 557

Section 4. Implementation. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and perform all incidental duties in connection herewith as required by law.

PASSED and ADOPTED on this 14th day of April 2026.

Motion by Commissioner Vildostegui,

Second by Commissioner Travani.

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

Commissioner Andrea Travani	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Gerardo Vildostegui	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner David Weingot	<u>Absent</u>
Vice Mayor Dayana Benmergui	<u>Absent</u>
Mayor Charles W. Burkett	<u>Yes</u>



Charles W. Burkett, Mayor

Attest:



Sandra N. McCready, MMC
Town Clerk



Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:



Thais Hernandez, Town Attorney

Statistics	TOTAL	ED	VBM
Election Day Precincts Reporting	1 of 1	1	0
Registered Voters - Total	3,432		
Ballots Cast - Total	1,744	1,181	563
Ballots Cast - Blank	0	0	0
Voter Turnout - Total	50.82%		

Mayor

Vote For 1	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED	VBM
Mark Blumstein	248	14.30%	179	69
Shlomo Danzinger	857	49.42%	578	279
Tina Paul	629	36.27%	421	208
Total Votes Cast	1,734	100.00%	1,178	556
Overvotes	0		0	0
Undervotes	10		3	7

Office of Town Commissioner

Vote For 4	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED	VBM
Donna Dayana Benmergui	865	15.88%	574	291
Yonathan Berdugo	773	14.19%	509	264
William Blumenkranz	360	6.61%	246	114
Jocelyn Kinzer	629	11.55%	442	187
Fred Landsman	379	6.96%	247	132
Andrea Travani	802	14.72%	562	240
Gerardo Vildostegui	779	14.30%	534	245
Dovid "David" Weingot	860	15.79%	587	273
Total Votes Cast	5,447	100.00%	3,701	1,746
Overvotes	4		0	4
Undervotes	1,525		1,023	502

Req Vote Change Floor Area Ratio Regulation

Vote For 1	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED	VBM
Yes	755	46.09%	505	250
No	883	53.91%	598	285
Total Votes Cast	1,638	100.00%	1,103	535
Overvotes	2		1	1
Undervotes	104		77	27

Change General and Runoff Election in 2028

Vote For 1	TOTAL	VOTE %	ED	VBM
Yes	1,058	65.51%	696	362
No	557	34.49%	390	167
Total Votes Cast	1,615	100.00%	1,086	529
Overvotes	0		0	0
Undervotes	129		95	34

Alina Garcia
Supervisor of Elections

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CERTIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

I, Alina Garcia, Supervisor of Elections for Miami-Dade County, Florida, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the Official Results for the municipal office(s) and/or referendum(s) listed below in the **Surfside General Municipal and Special Elections** conducted on March 17, 2026:

- **Mayor**
- **Office of Town Commissioner**
- **Requiring Vote of Four of Five Town Commissioners to Change Floor Area Ratio Regulations**
- **Changing General and Runoff Election Dates Starting in November 2028**

WITNESS MY HAND AND
OFFICIAL SEAL, AT MIAMI,
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
ON THIS 19TH DAY OF MARCH 2026

Alina Garcia
Supervisor of Elections
Office of the Supervisor of Elections

Enclosure



Surfside General Municipal and Special Elections

March 17, 2026

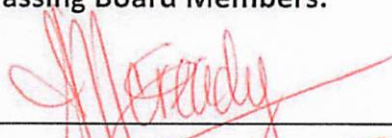
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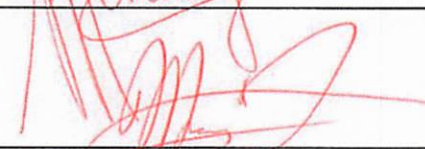
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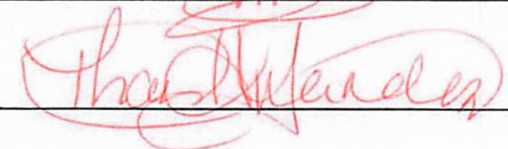
Canvassing Board Tally Sheet

Candidates	Machine Recount Totals	Manual Recount Totals	Certified Totals
Donna Dayana Benmergui	865	+1	866
Yonathan Berdugo	773	+1	774
William Blumenkranz	360	+1	361
Jocelyn Kinzer	629	XSHC	629
Fred Landsman	379	+2	381
Andrea Travani	802	+1	803
Gerardo Vildostegui	779	+1	780
Dovid "David" Weingot	860	+2	862

Canvassing Board Members:







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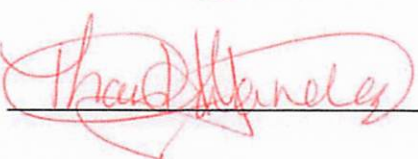
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Donna Dayana Benmergui		+1
Yonathan Berdugo	+1	
William Blumenkranz		+1
Jocelyn Kinzer		
Fred Landsman		+1 +1
Andrea Travani		+1
Gerardo Vildostegui		+1
Dovid "David" Weingot	+1 +1	

Canvassing Board Members:



3/19/2024

Date



3/19/26

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