



PUBLIC NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023 TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA

In accordance with Resolution numbers 23-3011, 23-3012, 23-3013, 23-3014 and 23-3015, a Special Election has been called and ordered to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, between the hours of 7:00am – 7:00pm, at which time the following Charter amendment questions shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the Town of Surfside:

1. Shall the Charter be amended to remove limitations on indebtedness for debt issued by the Town for emergency and/or infrastructure projects not exceeding \$10 million dollars, only when the debt is repayable from such infrastructure project revenues, without any increase in ad valorem or property taxes?
2. Shall the Charter be amended to create a public hearing procedure, initiated upon majority vote of the Commission or a minimum of 10% of qualified electors in the Town, for a determination as to whether a vacancy on the Commission exists due to a commissioner ceasing to possess and maintain required qualifications and/or permanent residency within the Town?
3. The Charter currently provides that the Mayor and Commissioners are elected to two-year terms, with the Commissioner receiving the most votes becoming Vice Mayor. Shall the Charter be amended to transition to four-year staggered terms for the Mayor and Commissioners commencing with the 2024 general election, and for the Vice Mayor to be the Commissioner receiving the highest number of votes between the last two general elections beginning with the 2026 general election?
4. The Charter currently provides that the Mayor is elected upon receiving the highest number of votes. Shall the Charter be amended to require that the Mayor be elected by a 50% plus 1 majority vote, and to provide for a run-off election between the two candidates receiving the most votes for Mayor if no candidate for such seat receives a majority of the vote?

5. The Charter currently provides that certain employees may file an appeal with the Personnel Appeals Board if they claim to have been discharged or reduced in pay or rank without cause, but excludes the Town Clerk. Shall the Charter be amended to allow the Town Clerk to file an appeal with the Personnel Appeal Board for a claimed discharge or reduction in pay or rank without cause and request a hearing?

In accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, all qualified electors of the Town of Surfside, Florida shall be entitled to vote in the Special Election to which this notice pertains. The polls at said Special Election will be open from 7 o'clock a.m. until 7 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 and will be held at the polling place at Surfside Town Hall, 9293 Harding Avenue, Surfside, Florida.

**Sandra N. McCreedy, MMC
Town Clerk
Town of Surfside**