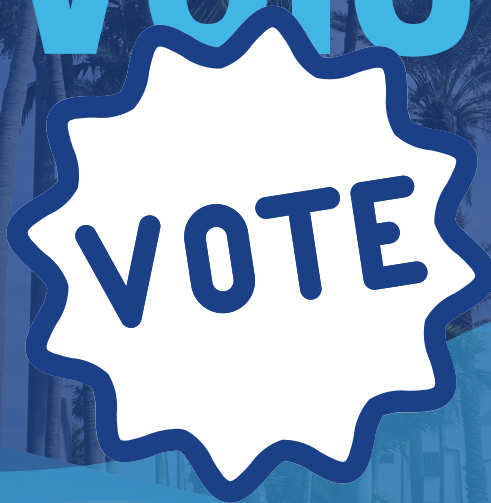




NOV. 4, 2025 SPECIAL ELECTION

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4 | 7 A.M. – 7 P.M.
TOWN HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS

GAZETTE
November 2025

TOWN OF SURFSIDE

SPECIAL ELECTION - SAMPLE BALLOT

Vote on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 | 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Polling Place: Surfside Town Hall, 9293 Harding Avenue, Surfside, FL 33154

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- Instructions: To vote, fill in the oval completely  next to your choice. Use only a black or blue pen. - If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot. Do not cross out or your vote may not count.	- Instrucciones: Para votar, rellene completamente el óvalo  ubicado junto a su selección. Utilice solo un bolígrafo de tinta negra o azul. - Si comete un error, solicite una nueva boleta. No haga tachaduras o es posible que no se cuente su voto.	- Enstriksyon: Pou vote, ranpli oval la okonple  akote chwa w fè a, itilize sèlman plim nwa oswa ble. - Si w fè yon erè, mande yon nouvo biltèn vôt. Pa bife erè a sinon vôt ou a ka pa konte.

Surfside Referendum 1
Referendo 1 de Surfside
Referandòm 1 Surfside

Referendum on Whether to Continue with the Project

Shall the Town continue with the undergrounding of overhead utility lines for electric and communication services (the "Project") at an anticipated cost of Eighty Million (\$80,000,000) Dollars?

Referendo sobre la continuación del proyecto

¿Deberá el Municipio continuar con el soterramiento de las líneas aéreas de servicios públicos de electricidad y comunicaciones (el "Proyecto") con un costo previsto de ochenta millones (\$80,000,000) de dólares?

Referandòm sou si pou kontinye avèk pwojè a

Eske Minisipalite a ta dwe kontinye avèk travay pase anba tè liy sèvis itilite ki pase anle pou sèvis elektrik ak komunikasyon ("Pwojè" a), a yon pri yo prevwa a katèven milyon (\$80,000,000) dola?

☐ Yes/Si/Wi 120
☐ No/No/Non 121

Surfside Referendum 2
Referendo 2 de Surfside
Referandòm 2 Surfside

Non-Binding Referendum Concerning the Creation of a Gated Community in the Town

Do you favor the concept of a gated community?

Referendo sin obligatoriedad jurídica sobre la creación de una comunidad cerrada en el Municipio

¿Está a favor del concepto de una comunidad cerrada?

Referandòm san obligasyon jiridik konsènan kreyasyon yon katye rezidansyèl klotie nan Minisipalite a

Eske ou an favè konsèp yon katye rezidansyèl klotie?

☐ Yes/Si/Wi 122
☐ No/No/Non 123

Surfside Referendum 3 Referendo 3 de Surfside Referandòm 3 Surfside
Amendment Requiring Unanimous Vote for Use of Town Funds Exceeding \$2,000,000

Shall the Charter be amended to require a unanimous vote of the entire Town Commission to spend Town funds for any single project, purchase, or investment exceeding \$2,000,000.00, which amount shall be adjusted for inflation from 2025 forward, except in the case of an "emergency" as defined in Sec. 2-262(a)(1) of the Town Code?

Enmienda que exige el voto unánime para utilizar fondos municipales que excedan los \$2,000,000

¿Deberá enmendarse la Carta Constitucional para exigir el voto unánime de la Comisión del Municipio para el uso de fondos municipales en cualquier proyecto, compra o inversión únicos que exceda los \$2,000,000.00, cantidad que deberá ajustarse a la inflación a partir del 2025, excepto en el caso de una "emergencia" tal y como se define en la Sección 2-262(a)(1) del Código del Municipio?

Amanman ki egzije yon vôt inanim pou itilizasyon fon Minisipalite a ki depase \$2,000,000

Eske Konstitisyon an ta dwe amande pou egzije yon vôt inanim tout Komisyon Minisipal la nèt pou depans fon Minisipalite a pou tout pwòje endividyèl, acha endividyèl oswa envestisman endividyèl ki depase \$2,000,000.00, montan sa a va ajiste pou enfasyon apati 2025, sof nan ka yon "jans" jan sa defini nan Sekasyon 2-262(a)(1) Kòd Minisipalite a?

☐ Yes/Si/Wi 124
☐ No/No/Non 125

Surfside Referendum 4 Referendo 4 de Surfside Referandòm 4 Surfside
Amendment Requiring 60% Voter Approval for Use of Town Funds Over Specified Amounts

Shall the Charter be amended to require a public referendum be held in which at least 60% of the electors support the use of Town funds, on any single project, purchase, or investment, of an amount equal to or more than 20% of the Town's prior fiscal year's budgeted ad valorem tax revenue?

Enmienda que exige el 60% de aprobación de los electores para utilizar fondos del Municipio que superen cantidades específicas ¿Deberá enmendarse la Carta Constitucional para exigir la realización de un referendo público, en el que al menos el 60% de los electores apoyen el uso de fondos municipales en cualquier proyecto, compra o inversión únicos por un importe igual o superior al 20% de los ingresos fiscales ad valorem presupuestados por el Municipio en el año fiscal anterior?

Amanman ki egzije apwobasyon 60% vôt pou itilizasyon fon Minisipalite a ki depase sèten montan espesifik Eske Konstitisyon an ta dwe amande pou egzije ke yon referandòm piblik fèt kote omwen 60% elektè yo sipòte itilizasyon fon Minisipalite a, pou tout pwòje endividyèl, acha endividyèl oswa envestisman endividyèl, a yon montan ki egal a oswa ki depase 20% resèl fiskal ad valorem bidjetez ane fiskal presedan Minisipalite a?

☐ Yes/Si/Wi 126
☐ No/No/Non 127

REFERENDUM ON WHETHER TO CONTINUE WITH THE PROJECT

Shall the Town continue with the undergrounding of overhead utility lines for electric and communication services (the "Project") at an anticipated cost of Eighty Million (\$80,000,000) Dollars?

YES ☐ **NO** ☐

Explanation: A "Yes" vote supports continuing the project to place utility and communication lines underground at an estimated cost of \$80 million. A "No" vote indicates no support for continuing with the project.

NON-BINDING REFERENDUM CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A GATED COMMUNITY IN THE TOWN

Do you favor the concept of a gated community?

YES ☐ **NO** ☐

Explanation: A "Yes" vote shows support for the concept of creating a gated community in Surfside's residential district. A "No" vote indicates no support for the concept. (Note: This referendum is non-binding. It will not automatically create a gated community but will show the Town Commission how voters feel about the concept.)

AMENDMENT REQUIRING UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR USE OF TOWN FUNDS EXCEEDING \$2,000,000

Shall the Charter be amended to require a unanimous vote of the entire Town Commission to spend Town funds for any single project, purchase, or investment exceeding \$2,000,000.00, which amount shall be adjusted for inflation from 2025 forward, except in the case of an "emergency" as defined in Sec. 2-262(a)(1) of the Town Code?

YES ☐ **NO** ☐

Explanation: A "Yes" vote means all five Commissioners must agree before the Town can spend more than \$2 million on one project, except in case of an emergency. A "No" vote means such spending decisions would continue to be decided by a majority vote of the Town Commission, which is the status quo.

AMENDMENT REQUIRING 60% VOTER APPROVAL FOR USE OF TOWN FUNDS OVER SPECIFIED AMOUNTS

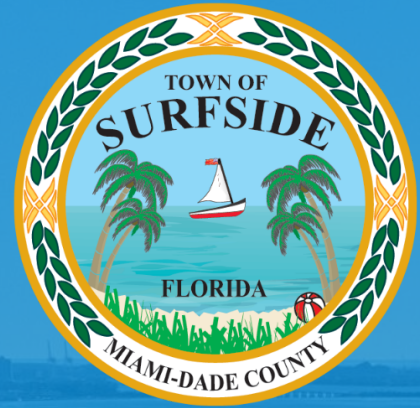
Shall the Charter be amended to require a public referendum be held in which at least 60% of the electors support the use of Town funds on any single project, purchase, or investment, of an amount equal to or more than 20% of the Town's prior fiscal year's budgeted ad valorem tax revenue?

YES ☐ **NO** ☐

Explanation: A "Yes" vote means that a referendum will be required, with at least 60% of voter approval, before the Town can spend this amount of funds. A "No" vote means the Town would continue making such spending decisions by a majority vote of the Town Commission, which is the status quo.

UNDERGROUNDING PROJECT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



1. What is undergrounding?

Undergrounding is the process of placing utility lines, such as electric and telecommunications, underground instead of on existing overhead utility poles.

2. What are the benefits?

The benefits of undergrounding include increased resiliency against weather events, improved service reliability, improved safety, and enhanced aesthetics. According to Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), on a systemwide basis, underground neighborhood power lines performed about 5 to 14 times better than their overhead counterparts during the 2024 hurricane season (Hurricanes Debby, Helene and Milton). These lines perform approximately 50% better on a day-to-day basis.



Current View

3. Isn't Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) already undergrounding their system?

FPL has a program called the Storm Secure Underground Program (SSUP) that undergrounds portions of their system. Areas to be undergrounded are determined based on selection criteria that have been approved by the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). Currently, FPL's SSUP undergrounds lateral lines while leaving feeder lines overhead and they anticipate it will take several decades to complete their work systemwide. This approach, if applied to the full municipal limits of Surfside, would result in approximately 60% of the overhead power lines in the Town remaining in an overhead configuration. It is important to note that FPL's SSUP converts ONLY the power lines. Communication lines would be left in an overhead location even if FPL converted power lines in the Town to an underground location. To learn more about FPL's SSUP, visit:

<https://www.fpl.com/reliability/storm-secure-underground-program.html>

4. What will the new equipment look like?

An example of a typical residential equipment placement can be found below. The equipment shown are examples of the following: [From left to right] Comcast pedestal, AT&T vault, Breezeline pedestal, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) transformer.



New Equipment



Current View

5. Which communications providers are involved?

AT&T, Breezeline, and Comcast all have overhead facilities that would be relocated underground.

6. Which communications providers are involved?

In a flood situation, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) has stated that they turn off the power grid in the area impacted. After the water has receded, crews will inspect the lines and equipment and then turn the grid back on when deemed safe. Equipment that is damaged would be repaired or replaced by FPL.

7. What construction impacts are expected?

Undergrounding project impacts are much like any other underground utility construction project. There will be boring machines to place conduits underground, excavations made in locations where boring cannot be performed, utility crews installing equipment and pulling wire, and intermittent roadway impacts requiring temporary lane closures. During the conversion process, there will be brief service interruptions when existing services are transferred to the new system. These interruptions generally can last up to four hours. Cranes will be used to remove the overhead poles and wires towards the end of the project. Any property impacts resulting from the work will be restored.

8. How is the Town's program set up?

The Town has been divided into three areas – North, Central, and South – to stagger the work to minimize construction impacts across the Town during the implementation of the program.

9. What progress has been made?

The first of three areas has been designed and is ready for construction. Design of the second area is currently underway. Design of the third area will follow the second.

10. How long is it going to take?

Once construction begins, the program is anticipated to take approximately 5 years to complete.



Current View

11. How much is it going to cost?

The current program is estimated to cost approximately \$79 million. This cost includes a \$5.7 million contribution by Comcast that is still being negotiated. Financing costs are excluded. Street lighting is included. Easements are being obtained on a voluntary basis therefore no costs for easement acquisition are included.

12. How will the program be financed?

A debt service millage will be levied to satisfy the monies borrowed by the Town to pay for the project. Voters have already approved about half of what is needed and will be asked to approve the balance of the financing to complete the project. The approval allows the Town to issued bonds to pay for the project costs over a longer, and more affordable, period.

13. How much will everyone have to pay annually?

The final financing plan will depend upon several factors influenced by the timing of the bond issues, but our Finance team has presented a tentative plan that would have a home with a taxable value of \$500,000 paying about \$155 per year. As your home value increases, you will pay more, but your home value is capped at a 3% annual increase under Florida law. We expect the new construction already underway, and those projects approved but not yet begun, to help reduce the cost to existing property owners.

14. Why do I have to pay if my property is already served underground?

Regardless of whether you are already served from an underground line, everyone benefits when the Town's overhead infrastructure is converted underground. When the overhead lines that are directly upstream of your service line are undergrounded, the resiliency and reliability of your system is directly enhanced in addition to the safety and aesthetic benefits realized by the community. As such, all properties are included in the program.

15. Where is further information available?

Further information can be obtained by contacting Andre Eugent, Public Works / CIP director, at (305) 861-4863 ext 305.



Current View

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Meetings and events are subject to change. For the most up-to-date calendar please visit TownofSurfsideFL.gov or scan the QR code.



Cover photo: Nov. 4, Special Election. See page 2 for more details.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

11/03/25	Resort Tax Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
11/04/25	Surfside Special Election, 7 a.m.
11/05/25	Youth Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
11/06/25	Planning and Zoning Board Workshop, 5 p.m.
11/08/25	Under The Stars Movie Night, 7 p.m.
11/09/25	College Prep Workshop, 5 p.m.
11/11/25	Holiday - Town Hall Offices Closed
11/11/25	Veterans Day Ceremony, 10 a.m.
11/12/25	Regular Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.
11/16/25	Singerfest, 5 p.m.
11/17/25	Parks & Recreation Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
11/19/25	Mobile DMV at Town Hall, 10 a.m.
11/19/25	Special Master Hearing, 10 a.m.
11/20/25	Sustainability & Resiliency Meeting 12 p.m.
11/20/25	Community Relations Board Meeting, 4 p.m.
11/27/25	Holiday - Town Hall Offices Closed
11/28/25	Holiday - Town Hall Offices Closed

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Happy
THANKSGIVING



Town Hall closed November 27 & 28

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MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER MARK BLUMSTEIN



November symbolizes reflection, gratitude, and the quiet transition from the abundance of harvest to the calm of winter. It invites us to pause and appreciate the fruits of our labor, to honor the memories of the year gone by, and to prepare our hearts and homes for the season ahead. Across many cultures, November carries a spirit of remembrance and thankfulness—seen in traditions like Thanksgiving.

On **November 2**, we'll turn back the clocks as Daylight Saving Time ends. **November 4** is both Election Day and Will Rogers Day—a time to come out and vote for important issues that affect us and celebrate one of America's great humorists. And on **November 11**, we pause to honor our heroes on Veterans Day, in gratitude for their service to this great nation. As a veteran myself, I want to pause and reflect on my time here in office as a Charter Officer of the Town.

This Commission hired me in March 2024 with a mandate to clean up Town Hall and rid it of fraud, waste, and abuse. The Commission knew my credentials, including close to 30 years of legal practice, 25 years of Town residence, 20 years as an Officer in the U.S. Navy, 6 years as a State of Florida Circuit Court Judge, and 2 years as a Town Commissioner. Indeed, I am duly qualified to serve in this role. More importantly, I was appointed based on trust to do right by the Town and its taxpayers.

At the time of my appointment, our Town's police department was just off the arrest of one of our residents. Let's remember young Joshua. Our prior Town Administration was wrongfully paying out monies to former employees in the form of severance payments, including to two former police chiefs. I clawed those back. Town Officials were rewarding employees with our hard-earned taxpayer money by awarding them unwarranted titles to justify higher salaries. I stopped that. Those same Town leaders were advancing Town employees to positions of leadership based on friendships, not qualifications. I ended that. I also uncovered Town employees double dipping by serving on the clock for the Town, while also serving themselves with extra work paid for by third parties while on Town property. Long term employees who acted beyond legal authority or unethically were terminated under my watch.

I am fair but firm. I labor day, night, weekends, holidays, and during vacations to serve this Town and those who live, work, and visit here, including my immediate and extended families. It's no secret that I have lived here with my family for over 25 years. My brother and his family have lived here for almost as long. So too have my in-laws. I say this because I want everyone to know that I am vested in this community.

Those on this Commission with business experience or legal acumen better understand this position. Others on this Commission see it differently. I serve the Town's best interests and not the individual interests of any Elected Official. I do so because I care and understand the separation of powers in a commission-manager form of government such as exists here in the Town of Surfside.

I can assure you that having rotating, career managers, as this Town has endured for many years, will not yield the care, drive, and motivation that I bring to this position. I am not the first and hopefully not the last Town resident to serve as a Charter Officer of the Town. To me, and hopefully to the majority on the Commission, what I bring to this role is valued. Have I done everything right? No. Have I made mistakes? Yes. Have I ruffled feathers here in Town? Absolutely. Nonetheless, I act with integrity, ethics, and in the best interest of the Town.

Surfside is now in a better place with a professional leadership team to guide us forward. During my Administration, I hired a new Building Official, a new Chief of Police, a new Finance Director, a new Director of Parks & Recreation, and a new Public Works Director. My Administration has also managed our budget to enable the Commission to adopt the lowest tax rate in decades for this Town. We have delivered projects that primarily benefit the residents, not the developers. We collected record fees from developers. We enforced development orders, yielding the Town significant revenue. We got a new trellis system erected at the Community Center paid for by developers. We delivered the 96th Street Park and added a vendor providing paddle boards and kayaks for use by residents. We acquired new property for the Town. We commenced the stormwater improvement project along Abbott Avenue. We beautified the Town by adding landscaping to our parks and road features. We completed the Downtown District Sandblasting Project that enhanced our business district. We were transparent with the Commission and the Community with the initiation of Letters to Commission ("LTC"), the "Mondays with the Manager" episodes, and the revamped Town Manager Report. These are just some of our many accomplishments.

As we start a new fiscal year and close out a calendar year, I give thanks for the many blessings in our lives and for our vibrant Surfside community—a truly special place to live, play, and celebrate together. Wishing everyone a joyful and peaceful month!

Remember Surfsiders.....

"We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Happy Thanksgiving!



MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE CHARLES R. PRESS



I am excited to announce that our department has grown. Be on the lookout for Isabelle Dourbecker our new Community Service Aide and Alex Orduno our new Parking Officer on patrol in the neighborhood. I would also like to introduce Kimberlee Blecha as my Executive Assistant. Please reach out to her for any department related needs you may have at kblecha@townofsurfsidefl.gov.

Commission Corner



CHARLES W. BURKETT MAYOR

I have two requests that I would respectfully ask that you consider:

1) Please vote on November 4th.

There are four questions on the ballot; two that are going to be very helpful for your Commission hear from you on, and two that, in my humble opinion, are critical to the future wellbeing of our Town.

I wrote about the details and explained each question thoroughly in my last Gazette piece. If you missed it, you can find all the information on each of the four questions on the mayor's website link below:

<https://teamsurfside.com/mayors-page/f/your-vote-on-november-4th-2025-could-save-our-town-millions>

Or just go to TeamSurfside.com and read the first blog post.

Or, you can go to the Town's website where there is also a detailed outline on the questions.

2) Please write to your elected officials and let them know how you feel about the traffic bumps/humps/tables that were recently installed on Abbott, Byron, Carlyle and Dickens Avenues.

Now that we have the proto-types built, it is important that we develop a consensus for moving forward with this design, or scrap this speed calming option, and try something else. Some love them, some hate them, but in the end, the majority rules and it is our job to sort through all the opinions and suggestions.

My personal observation is that they are having the intended effect and making speeders think twice about tearing through our neighborhood and using our quiet streets as a short cut to save a few minutes on their daily commute. Admittedly, the design on at least one needs to be tweaked, but that is an easy fix. What we need to know is whether our residents like them or not.

Hope to see you at Town Hall voting on November 4th!

Scan QR code to view the Mayor's website.



TINA PAUL VICE MAYOR

Greetings Surfside,

Last month the print version of my column omitted my closing line, which read: "I am excited to utilize these lessons as we work together to build a future that reflects the values we share as a community." That sentiment remains meaningful to me.

November is a time for reflection, responsibility, and gratitude. This month begins with a special election on November 4, an important opportunity to make your voice heard. I encourage everyone to stay informed and understand how your decisions today will shape Surfside tomorrow.

Mid-month, we observe Veteran's Day, a time to honor all those who served in our armed forces and reflect on the peace their sacrifices have helped secure. I fondly remember longtime neighbor and veteran Peter Neville, who recently passed away

on September 15, 2025. Peter joined the Royal Air Force as a teenager during the Korean War, having already survived the German blitz on Britain during World War II. He and his wife June made their home on Abbott Avenue in Surfside for 56 years, raising their children, John, and Denise. An accomplished author, Peter once described Surfside as "a quiet, residential seaside community", a place he loved for its simplicity, where he found joy in gardening and community life. Even after June's passing, Peter continued to enjoy Surfside for five more years. His thoughtful presence and reflections, especially at our Veteran's Day Ceremony will be missed. I hope many of you will join us on November 11 at Veteran's Park, as we come together to honor the Veterans of our community.

We close the month with Thanksgiving, a celebration of connection, tradition, and gratitude. I fondly remember the scent of food filling my childhood home, and the moments we shared going around the table to express what we were thankful for. I remain deeply grateful to have grown up in Surfside, experienced life beyond it, and returned home to the community I love. Whether you're gathering with loved ones or lending a hand to others, I wish you a peaceful and meaningful Thanksgiving.



RUBEN A. COTO COMMISSIONER

United We Stand: Strengthening Our Community in Challenging Times

In a world that often feels uncertain and divided, the strength of a community lies in its unity. We all have different personalities and different approaches to solving issues. Everyone is entitled to their opinions and to provide input, but we need to do this

with respect for each other. It has been a few rough weeks in our Town in regards to some management decisions. Again, we may not always agree on how something is handled but we need to support our appointed leaders. These past few weeks have tested our resilience, our patience, and our compassion—but through it all, our Town continues to move forward. Our projects keep moving forward and we are letting the residents have the final word on important issues that will affect our Town for years to come.

MAKE YOUR VOICES HEARD GET OUT AND VOTE!

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Commission Corner

Instead of attacking each other, maybe we can work to support one another towards our goal of making and keeping our Surfside the envy of the county if not the state! I have been called a clown and much worse by residents for simply for not voting the way they wanted me to. Our Mayor and Manager have been called liars, If anyone knows our Mayor and TM this has to be the most baseless and ridiculous accusation ever! No one ever gains support or respect by insulting and attacking the other person.

Let us also recognize and thank the leaders who guide our Town and departments with vision and integrity. We have an amazing team from the commission to every single employee! Let us work together not against each other and remember that change is sometimes necessary and difficult to implement at times.

Together, we can create a Town that reflects the best of who we are: compassionate, resilient, and united.

God bless our Town, and God bless our nation.



NELLY VELASQUEZ COMMISSIONER

Your Vote Is Your Voice — Make It Heard Loud and Clear on November 4

On November 4, your vote will help shape the future of our town. This ballot carries many important questions, but none more crucial than deciding the fate of the Underground Utilities Project — a project that can either be saved or buried forever.

Some may try to sway you with exaggerated numbers and fear tactics. What they don't mention is that the new buildings rising along Collins Avenue will bring a substantial increase in property tax revenue to our Town — revenue that can help fund Town improvements like this one.

They also fail to tell you that the Town Commission has the power to prevent any increase in your Town taxes for this project. How? By lowering the millage rate by the same amount as the new debt service rate. In doing so, the commission can add the debt service without raising the Town's overall millage rate. It's a matter of balance and responsible budgeting — something entirely within the commission's control. (Of course, county and school board rates remain separate.)

Here's a simple example: if the current rate is 4.0 and the debt service rate is 0.3, the commission can lower the millage rate to 3.7, then add the 0.3 debt service rate. The final rate total would still be 4.0. That means there would be no increase to the portion of property taxes the Town controls. (This is just an example with easy to understand numbers)

It's also important to understand why the project cost has increased. The previous commission, under the leadership of Shlomo Danzinger, failed to take timely action to move the Underground Utilities Project forward. This delay caused costs to rise significantly due to inflation, increased material expenses, and higher contractor rates over time. Had the project advanced when it was first proposed, the Town could have saved millions. The inaction of Shlomo Danzinger, Jeff Rose and Fred Landsman directly contributed to the higher prices we now face.

But this project isn't just about numbers — it's about sustainability, safety, and reliability. Undergrounding utilities will remove the unsightly power lines and bulky concrete poles that clutter our streets. More importantly, it will protect our community from outages caused by falling cables and low-hanging wires. Just a few weeks ago, a truck pulled down a cable line, leaving hundreds of homes without internet for hours — a problem that would be eliminated with buried utilities.

If you want cleaner streets, safer power infrastructure, and more reliable electric, internet, and cable service, vote YES to move forward with the Underground Utilities Project.

This is your Town, your future, and your voice. Make it heard loud and clear on November 4 — vote YES to keep our Town safe, strong, and connected.



GERARDO VILDOSTEGUI COMMISSIONER

As you may know, our Gazette runs on a strict production schedule, with a deadline early in each month for the following month's issue. And because of that strict schedule, every one of these Gazette columns ends up being a time capsule of sorts: We on the Commission have to peer through a month that's barely begun in order to see the month that lies just over the horizon.

That's the situation that we face every month, but as I write this month's column, on October 9th, that "time-capsule" effect seems especially pronounced. I chalk that feeling up to the strangeness of Florida's seasons. Summer in our corner of the world can seem never-ending—especially as October continues to deliver a steady succession of 90-degree days, afternoon thunderstorms, and tropical cyclones spinning in the Atlantic Ocean. But in the next three weeks—in the time it takes for the ink to dry on the November Gazette and for it to reach your mailboxes and your coffee tables—we'll have said goodbye (for now) to sukkahs and jack-o'-lanterns.

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Commission Corner

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GERARDO VILDOSTEGUI COMMISSIONER

Palm Warblers (which I wrote about in last November's column) will have arrived from their summer homes in Canadian forests and will be bobbing their tails in Surfside's lawns and gardens. At some point in November, the never-ending summer will have ended—as hard as that is to imagine on October 9th.

In early November, there will be a lot to look back on, and a lot to look forward to. Already in the rear-view mirror is our second annual "Pizza and Palm Fronds" event, sponsored by the Community Relations Board and held on Sunday, October 5th. As far as Surfside's parties go, this is a small one, but it's one that gives me a lot of satisfaction. It's an opportunity for neighbors to shake up their usual Sunday routines, to come together, meet each other, and have a bit of conversation with someone they might not otherwise have met or talked with. It's my feeling that casual, small-scale events like this one can do a lot to strengthen

community ties, and I'm grateful, as always, to the Community Relations Board and to the Town staff who helped to make this event happen, and who will be planning other such events in the fall and winter seasons.

Late October and early November will also see us through another Halloween Spooktacular, one of the premier events on the annual calendar of our outstanding Parks & Recreation department. November brings a couple of important civic events on consecutive Tuesdays: an important Special Election on November 4th, and our annual Veterans' Day commemoration a week later, on November 11th. And on November 16th, the Town will be celebrating the legacy of Nobel Laureate and Surfside resident Isaac Bashevis Singer at Singerfest, which I wrote about last month and which I hope will be the first in an annual series of literary events here in Surfside. (Keep an eye out for information on how to participate in that afternoon's Book Club event, where a guest lecturer from the University of Texas at Austin will be leading a discussion of four of Singer's short stories.) By then we'll all be thinking ahead to Thanksgiving and the winter holidays—and I'll have already had to submit my December Gazette column.

COLLEGE PREP WORKSHOP SET FOR NOV. 9

Mark your calendar! The Surfside Youth Council invites students to a College Prep Workshop on Nov. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. This engaging session will help teens prepare for the next step in their academic journey with tips, tools, and expert guidance. More details will be shared soon—follow @SurfsideFlorida on Instagram for updates.



SURFSIDE POLICE HONORED AT LAW ENFORCEMENT RECOGNITION BREAKFAST

Chief Press and Major Matelis represented the Surfside Police Department at the Aventura Marketing Council Law Enforcement Recognition Breakfast, held at Miami Dade College's School of Justice. The event brought together law enforcement leaders from across Miami-Dade County to celebrate excellence in policing and community safety. "Our officers go above and beyond every day to protect and serve with integrity," Chief Press said. "It's an honor to see their professionalism and commitment recognized among our peers. We're proud to represent the Town of Surfside."



BOARDS & COMMITTEES

MAKE AN IMPACT

Apply to become a voluntary member of one of the Town's Boards or Committees.

- Planning & Zoning
- Personnel Appeals Board
- Sustainability & Resilience Committee
- Youth Council
- Community Relations (One Vacancy Each)
- Parks & Recreation (Two Vacancies)



To learn more and apply online, visit the Boards and Committees page in the Town Clerk section of www.townofsurfsidefl.gov

News From Town Hall

SURFSIDE'S "PIZZA AND PALM FRONDS" EVENT BRINGS NEIGHBORS TOGETHER AHEAD OF SUKKOT

On Oct. 6, 2025, Surfside's "Pizza and Palm Fronds" event brought the community together for an afternoon of tradition and connection, sponsored by the Community Relations Board. Families and neighbors gathered at Paws Up Park to enjoy local pizza and pick up palm fronds in anticipation of Sukkot. Vice Mayor Tina Paul, Commissioner Gerardo Vildostegui, and Town Manager Mark Blumstein were among those in attendance. A special thank-you to all the neighbors who joined us and to the Public Works team for their support!



IN MEMORIAM: ALAN P. GRAHAM, 77

The Town of Surfside mourns the passing of Alan P. Graham, 77, of North Miami, who dedicated his life to public service. Graham served in law enforcement and code enforcement across South Florida, including the Town of Surfside, where he worked from 2015 until his retirement in 2020. He is remembered for his integrity, leadership, and commitment to community. Fair Winds and Following Seas.

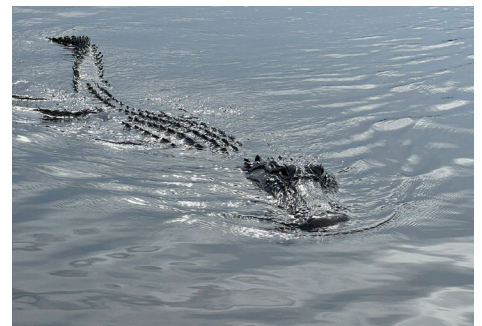
VICE MAYOR TINA PAUL REPRESENTS SURFSIDE AT FLORIDA LEAGUE OF MAYORS EVERGLADES EVENT

Surfside Vice Mayor Tina Paul joined municipal leaders from across the state Sept. 18 for the Florida League of Mayors' Everglades Environmental Briefing and Airboat Educational Tour at Everglades Holiday Park, followed by a Mayor's Roundtable at Green Glades Ranch in Weston.

The event, themed "Stronger Voices, Stronger Leadership," brought together West Melbourne Mayor Andrea Young, Weston Mayor Peggy Brown, and other city leaders to discuss environmental challenges, community resilience, and opportunities for collaboration.

Hosted in partnership with Ali and Ron Bergeron, the program highlighted the Everglades' critical role in Florida's environment and the importance of municipal leadership in addressing statewide issues.

Vice Mayor Paul's participation highlighted Surfside's commitment to regional cooperation, sustainability, and ensuring the voices of its residents are represented at the state level.



News From Town Hall

COMMUNITY RELATIONS BOARD HOSTS PUBLIC WORKS APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Surfside's Community Relations Board (CRB) recently hosted an Appreciation Luncheon at the Community Center to recognize the dedication and hard work of the Town's Public Works team. The event, catered by Flanigan's Grill, brought together staff and board members in a heartfelt show of gratitude for the employees who keep Surfside running safely and efficiently every day.

Town Manager Mark Blumstein praised the department's impact, noting, "Our Public Works team is the backbone of daily life in Surfside. Their commitment, skill, and responsiveness make it possible for every department—and every resident—to thrive. We're proud to take this moment to thank them publicly for everything they do."

The luncheon was filled with appreciation, camaraderie, and community spirit, underscoring the essential role Public Works plays in maintaining the Town's high standard of service and quality of life. The Community Relations Board organized the event as part of its ongoing effort to strengthen connections between Town staff and residents. Attendees shared stories and played Surfside trivia highlighting how the department's behind-the-scenes efforts make a visible difference throughout Surfside every day.



HELP KEEP SURFSIDE CLEAN: FLATTEN YOUR CARDBOARD BOXES BEFORE DISPOSAL!

From Code Compliance - As part of our ongoing efforts to maintain a clean, efficient, and environmentally-friendly waste management system, the Town of Surfside kindly reminds all residents to flatten cardboard boxes before placing them in the trash or recycling bins.

Why It Matters:

- **Saves Space:** Flattened boxes take up far less room in your bin, allowing more recyclables or trash to fit.
- **Improves Collection Efficiency:** Unflatten boxes can jam up garbage trucks or clog recycling machinery, slowing down collection and increasing costs.
- **Keeps Our Streets Tidy:** Flattened boxes are less likely to blow away or overflow, keeping our streets cleaner.

A Simple Step That Makes a Big Difference:

Before placing boxes in the bin, just take a moment to break them down. Remove any packing material (like Styrofoam or plastic wrap), then flatten the cardboard. It's quick, easy, and goes a long way in helping our Public Works staff do their job efficiently.

As a reminder, please do not place any trash out for collection Friday through Sunday nights. Thank you for doing your part to keep Surfside clean and sustainable!



News From Town Hall



Surfside Launches Digital Parking Permit Program for Residents

The Town of Surfside is pleased to announce the launch of a new digital resident parking permit program. This system is designed to make the permit process easier, faster, and more secure.

How to Get Started

1. Visit <https://rpp.civicsmart.com>.
2. Sign up using your email address.
3. Create a password of your choice (do not share your password).
4. Register your vehicle by completing all required fields.



Important Reminders:

- Please double-check that your license plate information is entered correctly. Errors such as typing the letter "O" instead of the number zero (0), or a letter "B" instead of the number eight (8), may result in a citation because the incorrect tag will not register in the parking system.
- For the next 30 days, continue displaying your current Town-issued parking permit while we ensure a smooth transition to the new system.
- Residents may update vehicle information up to six (6) times per year. For example, if your car is in the repair shop and you are using another vehicle, you can temporarily update the permit.
- If you need to make more than six changes within the year, please contact the Town for assistance.

Thank you for your cooperation as we transition to this new system, which will enhance accuracy and convenience for Surfside residents.

Questions? Contact Sergeant Lorente at the Surfside Police department at 305-861- 4862 | alorente@townofsurfsidefl.gov or [Civicsmart Customer Service at 414-877 5481 Ext. 2](tel:414-877-5481)



Police Beat

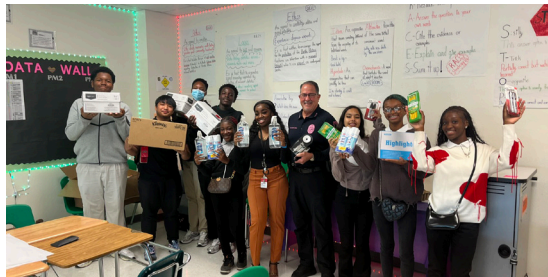
SURFSIDE POLICE CHIEF DONATES SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO NORTH MIAMI SENIOR HIGH

Surfside Chief of Police Charles R. Press visited North Miami Senior High School on Friday, Sept. 12, to deliver school supply donations through the Press Foundation, a nonprofit he founded to strengthen relationships between communities and law enforcement.

The initiative is part of the foundation's mission to bridge gaps and promote trust between police and the public.

"Investing in our youth is the best investment we can make," Press said. "Every pencil sharpener, notebook, every pen, every word of encouragement is a step toward building trust and stronger communities."

The Press Foundation regularly partners with schools and community organizations to provide resources, mentorship, and support for students.



Mobile Driver's License Services

**Wednesday, Nov. 19
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Town Hall**



Registration is required via Email: jmatelis@townofsurfsidefl.gov

Florida Licensing On Wheels mobile offices bring motorist services directly to the customer. FLOW mobiles offer the following services:

- First-time license (\$48.00)
- Convert out of state license (\$48.00)
- Renewals (\$48.00 for Class E; fees vary for CDL)
- Replacements for lost or stolen license (\$25.00)
- Address/name changes (\$25.00)
- ID cards (\$25.00)
- No FEE Poverty Level ID Card.
- Reinstatements (fees vary)
- Emergency Contact Information Registration (free)
- Vehicle Registration Renewals (fees vary)
- Disabled Parking Placard Issuance and Renewals (Permanent- free; Temporary- \$15.00)

Only 40 spots are available on a first-come, first-served basis

PILOT PROGRAM: CRIME OPPORTUNITY NOTICES

Since our launch of the Crime Opportunity Notices in July, we have distributed nearly 100 notifications to properties in the neighborhood. These notices not only serve as a helpful alert to citizens but also a reminder that our police are carefully observing their streets every day. Officers noted the three most prevalent items left out in the open by homes were scooters, bicycles, and strollers. Other concerns were boxes/packages, toys, fishing poles, and homeowners leaving their garage doors open. Notices were left on the doors or cars of these homes advising the owners to secure their property to avoid possible theft. Residents have given an overwhelmingly positive response to these notices and have thanked officers for calling their attention to items that could attract the attention of potential thieves.



Police Beat

SURFSIDE POLICE, JEWISH COMMUNITY STRENGTHEN TIES BEFORE HIGH HOLIDAYS

Surfside Police Chief Charles R. Press and Major Jay Matelis led a pre-Jewish High Holiday safety meeting on Sept. 18, 2025, gathering community members, faith leaders and law enforcement officials to discuss safety, awareness and partnership during the upcoming holidays.

The meeting, held ahead of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, focused on building trust between law enforcement and the Jewish community while addressing practical concerns. Topics included observance restrictions and traditions, communication between police and houses of worship, and safety protocols surrounding missing persons and issues of dignity during the holiday season.



Chief Press emphasized that open dialogue with religious institutions is key to ensuring residents feel both safe and respected.

"This dialogue is essential to ensuring that our Jewish community can celebrate the High Holidays in safety and peace," Chief Press said. "By strengthening our partnerships with faith leaders and residents, we continue to build trust and resilience throughout Surfside."

The discussion also reviewed crime trends, community concerns and strategies for maintaining clear lines of communication between police officers and worshippers. Officials encouraged residents to remain vigilant and report unusual activity, particularly around religious institutions.

"This is about more than safety," Press added. "It's about dignity, respect and protecting the traditions that make Surfside such a special community."



🐾 Help Control Surfside's Outdoor Cat Population 🐾

Since 2001, Friends of Surfside Cats, Inc. has worked to humanely manage and reduce the overpopulation of cats in our community. Today, the organization continues this mission alongside partners:

- **Street Cat Clinic, Inc.** – Led by Dr. Matthew Toscano, providing spay/neuter services.
- **Cat Solutions 305, Inc.** – Led by Ms. Tia Williams, coordinating all cat trappings free of charge.

How the Program Works (TNR – Trap, Neuter, Return):

- ✓ Trap outdoor kittens and cats
- ✓ Spay/neuter to prevent reproduction
- ✓ Vaccinate and provide flea treatment as needed
- ✓ Ear tip cats that are returned outdoors (sign they have been sterilized)
- ✓ Provide care and prepare adoptable kittens for new homes

Your Surfside Contact:

Officer Dianna Hernandez, Surfside Police Department

📞 Call 305-861-4862 and ask for Officer Hernandez – TNR Program

👉 If you see outdoor kittens or cats without an ear tip, whether in the neighborhood or on the beach, please report their location so we can help control the population humanely.



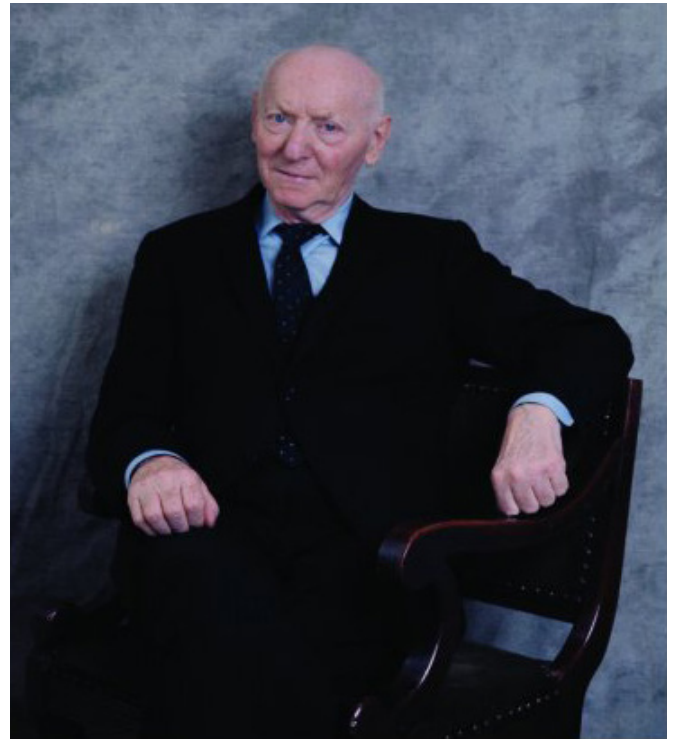
Together, we can protect Surfside's community and its cats. 🐾💙

Uptown FunTown

SINGERFEST: A NEW LITERARY EVENT HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF ISAAC BASHEVIS SINGER



Photo: Isaac Bashevis Singer receives a Proclamation from Former Surfside Mayor Mitchell Kinzer. Courtesy of Mitchell Kinzer



On Sunday, Nov. 16, the Surfside Community Center will host **Singerfest**, a special event celebrating the life and literary legacy of Nobel Laureate and former Surfside resident **Isaac Bashevis Singer**. The gathering will bring together readers, scholars, and community members during his birth month to reflect on the remarkable career of one of the 20th century's most influential voices in literature, while also highlighting his enduring connection to the Town of Surfside.

Singer was born in 1903 in Poland and emigrated to the United States in 1935, escaping the growing tide of antisemitism in Europe. Writing in Yiddish, his works captured the richness of Jewish folklore, tradition, and mysticism, while grappling with universal themes of morality, faith, and the human condition. His novels and short stories—among them *The Family*

Moskat, Enemies: A Love Story, and *Shosha*—earned him global acclaim. In 1978, he received the Nobel Prize in Literature for his “impassioned narrative art” and his ability to infuse everyday life with the supernatural and the eternal. Singer is one of 14 Americans to have received the distinguished honor.

Though he lived much of his life in New York, he found peace and inspiration right here in Surfside, where he spent his later years. He was often seen visiting Harding Avenue staple “Sheldon’s” or enjoying the quiet rhythms of seaside life. It was here in our beloved Florida Town that he continued to write and reflect, carrying on his deep commitment to storytelling and cultural memory.

Singerfest will honor both the man and his work with a day of readings, discussions, and cultural programming that highlight Singer’s profound contributions to literature and his special connection to Surfside. The event invites the community to celebrate not just his words on the page, but also his presence as a neighbor whose legacy still resonates in Town today.

By gathering to remember Isaac Bashevis Singer during the Town’s 90th Anniversary Year, Surfside not only pays tribute to a Nobel Laureate but also reaffirms its place in the cultural map as a community where art, history, and everyday life come together in meaningful ways.

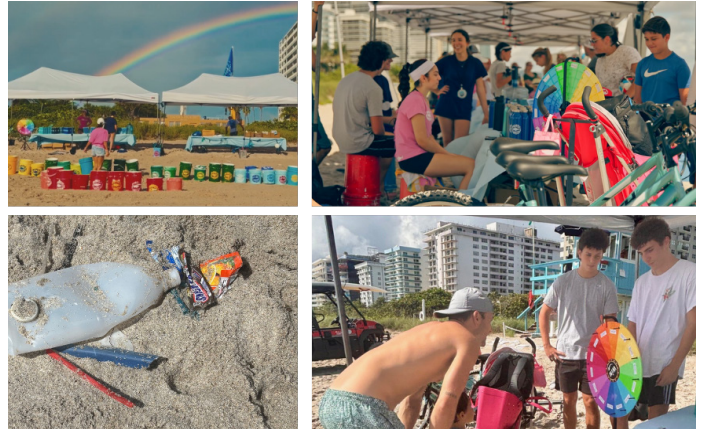
Singerfest will begin on Sunday, Nov. 16 at 5 p.m. with a Book Club sponsored by the Community Relations Board. University of Texas Professor Itzik Gottesman, an expert on Yiddish literature, will lead the discussion and reading of Bashevis Singer works set in South Florida. Following the Book Club, the Resort Tax Board will sponsor a Reception featuring a short film screening, live Klezmer music, drinks and a light bite. It is our honor to celebrate the life and legacy of a remarkable Surfsider and literary giant, Isaac Bashevis Singer. Follow @visitsurfside for more information.

Uptown FunTown

2025 ICC PLASTIC FISHING FESTIVAL A SUCCESS

The 2025 International Coastal Cleanup Plastic Fishing Festival presented by the Resort Tax Board once again combined community spirit and environmental action, bringing together volunteers of all ages to help protect the ocean through creativity and hands-on stewardship.

Participants spent 90 minutes cleaning up marine debris along the shoreline, then transformed their collected materials into imaginative, marine-themed “fish” for a chance to win one of five mountain bikes. Each sculpture was shared on Instagram with the hashtag #plasticfishing, spreading awareness about plastic pollution and inspiring others to take part in coastal conservation. Stay tuned to @visitsurfside and @plasticfisherman for new events coming next year!



SINGERFEST

Celebrating the life & works of Nobel Laureate and Surfside Resident

ISAAC BASHEVIS SINGER

1902-1991

With an invited talk by
Dr. Itzik Gottesman,
The University of Texas
at Austin

SUNDAY, NOV. 16
SURFSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER
FREE EVENT

Book Club & Reading
5 PM
Short Film Screening
& Reception
6 PM

FARMERS MARKET

Fresh fruit and produce, plants, pet treats, artisan goods, baked goods, local vendors & more!

96TH STREET BEACH ENTRANCE
Saturdays & Sundays 9:30am – 3:30pm

More information
@surfsidefarmersmarket
@visitsurfside

TOURISM BUREAU RELOCATES TO COMMUNITY CENTER

The Tourist Bureau has reopened at the site of its original location, the Surfside Community Center. Tourism Director Frank Trigueros is once again based in the southernmost office where he is better able to assist any wondering tourists with potential inquiries. Look for the designated branding and signage on the exterior door!



It Starts In Parks



the Y YMCA **Parks & Recreation SURFIDE, FL**

TEACHER PLANNING DAY CAMP

At Y Day Camp, your kids will make new friends and have tons of fun as they explore new adventures.

AGES: 5-13
Location: 96th Street Park

Dates	10.02.25	11.03.25	01.16.25	03.20.26	04.03.26
SERVICE	TOWN RESIDENTS	NON-RESIDENTS	HOURS		
Camp Rate	\$35/Day	\$45/Day	8:00 AM - 6:00 PM		

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TOWN OF SURFSIDE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

MOVIE UNDER THE STARS

We invite all Residents and Hotel guest to come join us for our back to school Movie Night. Bring your family and friends to watch "Lilo & Stitch" at the 96th ST Park!

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 8TH, 2025
96TH ST PARK
(9580 BAY DR.)
MOVIE BEGINS AT 7:00PM.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING A BLANKET!

FREE POPCORN
&
REFRESHMENTS



Rated: PG
Movie Duration 1hr. and 40 mins.

Persons with disabilities requiring accommodations in order to participate must contact the Surfside Community Center at least 48 hours in advance in order to request such accommodations

Please note that two or more members of the Town Commission, Town Board or Committee may be present at this event.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE COMMUNITY CENTER
(305) 866-3635 OR VISIT WWW.TOWNOFSURFSIDEFL.GOV




COMMUNITY CENTER CONCESSION OPPORTUNITY

The Town of Surfside is seeking an individual or vendor to operate the Community Center Concession. The concession will begin on a pop-up basis, with the opportunity to grow.

Applicants will be required to create a proposed menu for review and approval by the Town Commission.

This is a unique opportunity to serve Surfside's residents and guests while contributing to the Community Center experience, located at 9301 Collins Avenue.

Please send your proposal via email to MCastrorao@townofsurfsidefl.gov.



FAMILIES ENJOY START TO "MOVIE UNDER THE STARS" SERIES

The Under the Stars Movie Night series kicked off with a fantastic turnout for Moana 2! Families and friends gathered at 96th Street Park to enjoy the outdoor screening, creating a fun and relaxing evening under the night sky. Guests were treated to complimentary popcorn and refreshments while enjoying the film.

Don't miss the next Movie Under the Stars featuring Lilo & Stitch on Saturday, Nov. 8, 2025, at 96th Street Park. Bring your blanket, family, and friends for another memorable night of community fun!



It Starts In Parks

Senior Brunch Bunch Bingo!!

JOIN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR OUR MONTHLY SENIOR BRUNCH BUNCH. WE WILL HAVE A BUFFET STYLE.

**Friday
November 14th, 2025
11:00am - 1:00pm**

FEES	REGISTRATION
RESIDENTS: \$5.00	RESIDENTS: OCTOBER 17TH
NON-RESIDENTS: \$10.00	NON-RESIDENTS: OCTOBER 31ST

FOOD GUARANTEED FOR THE FIRST 30 PRE- REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS. REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH.

REGISTRATION AND EVENT WILL BE HELD AT THE SURFSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER 9301 COLLINS AVE.

TOWN OF SURFSIDE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

SENIOR TRIP



Sitting on four acres within Downtown Miami's waterfront Maurice A. Ferré Park, the 250,000-square-foot Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science is divided into four distinct buildings: the Aquarium, the Frost Planetarium, and the North and West Wings. This unique campus-like setting takes guests on a journey from the ocean to the Everglades, and from the human cell to outer space. It investigates life as we know it while exploring the process of science and innovation.

Wednesday November 19th, 2025
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Frost Science Museum
(1101 Biscayne Blvd Miami, FL 33132)

COST:
Residents: \$15.00
Non-Residents: \$25.00
Registration now open!

*Registration required by Friday November 14, 2025
Bus departs from Surfside Community Center, 9301 Collins Avenue at 11:00AM and will return approximately at 4:00PM

TOWN OF SURFSIDE AQUATICS HOURS OF OPERATION			
MONTH	BEACH TOWER	MAIN POOL	TOT LOT POOL
November	10:00-6:00	RECREATIONAL SWIMMING 9:00-6:00 LAP SWIMMING 7:00-6:00	10:00-5:30
December	10:00-6:00	RECREATIONAL SWIMMING 9:00-6:00 LAP SWIMMING 7:00-6:00	10:00-5:30

SCAN TO RESERVE A LAP LANE



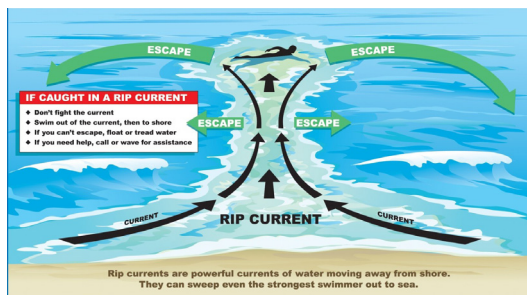



SCAN QR CODE FOR THE AQUATIC PROGRAMS

REFRESH YOUR BEACH SAFETY KNOWLEDGE

HOW TO BREAK THE GRIP OF THE RIP:

- Don't fight the current.
- Swim out of the current then to shore.
- If you can't escape, float or tread water.
- Call or wave for assistance.



BEACH WARNING FLAGS

BANDERAS DE ADVERTENCIA EN LA PLAYA

- | | |
|--|--|
|  Water Closed to Public
Agua Cerrada al Público |  Medium Hazard
Moderate Surf and/or Currents
Peligro Medio, Resaca Moderada y/o Corrientes Fuertes |
|  High Hazard
High Surf and/or Strong Currents
Peligro Alto, Resaca Alta y/o Corrientes Fuertes |  Low Hazard
Calm Conditions, Exercise Caution
Peligro Bajo, Condiciones Calmas, Tenja Cuidado |
| |  Dangerous Marine Life
Vida Marina Peligrosa |

*Conditions available during beach tower operations.

For daily beach conditions, contact the
Community Center at (305) 866-3635.

- Always swim in a lifeguarded area.
- Never swim alone, regardless of your age or level of swimming skills.

- Keep within your fitness and swimming capabilities.
- Be aware of weather and water conditions and heed warnings.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL PARKS & RECREATION AT 305-866-3635 OR VISIT TOWNOFSURFSIDEFL.GOV/PROGRAMS. DATES, TIMES AND CLASSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

It Starts In Parks

TOWN OF SURFSIDE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

11.11.25 AT 10 AM

VETERANS PARK, 8750 COLLINS AVENUE

SURFSIDE SALUTES ITS VETERANS

A COMMEMORATIVE CEREMONY IN HONOR OF THE BRAVE MEN & WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE US ARMED FORCES.
LIGHT COMPLIMENTARY REFRESHMENTS

PLEASE NOTE THAT TWO OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COMMISSION, TOWN BOARD OR COMMITTEE MAY BE PRESENT AT THIS EVENT
FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AT 305.866.3635 OR VISIT WWW.TOWNOFSURFSIDEFL.GOV

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SCAN TO BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY!

In Home Visits
Weight Loss Solutions
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Telemedicine Consultations
Aesthetic Services
And More!

Kayaks are now available for rent at the 96th Street Park. Residents can download the Parks and Recreation app for easy access to the gate.



SCAN QR CODE FOR TENNIS PROGRAMS



YOUTH & TEEN PROGRAMS	PROGRAM	DAYS/DATES	HOURS	AGES	FEE PER SESSION
	Gymnastics	<u>Mondays</u> 11/3 - 12/15/25 No class: 11/24	4:30-5:30pm 5:30-6:30pm	3-5yrs. 6-12yrs.	Residents \$72.00 Non-Residents \$102.00
	Taekwondo	<u>Mondays & Wednesdays</u> 11/3 - 12/17/25 No Class: 11/24 & 11/26	6:30-7:25pm	7-18yrs.	Residents \$144.00 Non-Residents \$204.00
	Snapology	<u>Tuesday</u> 11/4 - 12/16/25 No Class: 11/11 & 11/25	4:30-5:30pm	7-14yrs.	Residents \$60.00 Non-Residents \$85.00
	Tunes for Tots	<u>Wednesday</u> 11/5 - 12/17/25 No class: 11/26	10:00-11:00am	6 month-5yrs.	Residents \$72.00 Non-Residents \$102.00
	Mommy & Me	<u>Thursdays</u> 11/6 - 12/18/25 No class: 11/27	10:00-11:00am	2yrs & Under	Registration Thru Round Robin Playgroup See Flyer
	Gymnastics	<u>Thursdays</u> 11/6 - 12/18/25 No Class: 11/27	4:30-5:30pm	3-5yrs.	Residents \$72.00 Non-Residents \$102.00
	Jazz Dance	<u>Saturdays</u> 11/8 - 12/20/25 No class: 11/29	3:00-4:00pm	7-12yrs.	Residents \$72.00 Non-Residents \$102.00
	Hip-Hop	<u>Saturdays</u> 11/8 - 12/20/25 No Class: 11/29	4:00-5:00pm	7-12yrs.	Residents \$72.00 Non-Residents \$102.00

It Starts In Parks

YOUTH ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

Youth Basketball	<u>Mondays & Wednesday</u> 11/3 - 12/17/25 No Class: 11/24 & 11/26	4:45-5:45pm 6:00-7:00pm	5-7 yrs. 8-12 yrs.	Residents \$144.00 Non-Residents \$204.00
Coed Soccer	<u>Tuesdays & Thursdays</u> 11/4 - 12/18/25 No Class: 11/11, 11/25 & 11/27	4:00-5:00pm	4-6 yrs.	Residents \$132.00 Non-Residents \$187.00
All Girls Soccer	<u>Tuesdays & Thursdays</u> 11/4 - 12/18/25 No Class: 11/11, 11/25 & 11/27	6:00-7:00pm	7-12 yrs.	Residents \$132.00 Non-Residents \$187.00
All Boys Soccer	<u>Tuesdays & Thursdays</u> 11/4 - 12/18/25 No Class: 11/11, 11/25 & 11/27	5:00-6:00pm 7:00-8:00pm	7-9 yrs. 10-12 yrs.	Residents \$132.00 Non-Residents \$187.00
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Tennis	See Tennis Listing	See Tennis Listing	See Tennis Listing	See Tennis Listing

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PROGRAM	DAYS/DATES	HOURS	AGES	FEE PER SESSION
Zumba	<u>Mondays</u> 11/3 - 12/15/25 No Class: 11/24	9:00-10:00am	18-54yrs.	Residents \$72.00 Non-Residents \$102.00
Zumba Gold	<u>Mondays</u> 11/3 - 12/15/25 No Class: 11/24	9:00-10:00am	55 & Over	Residents: Free Non-Residents: \$42.00
Adult Art Class	See Flyer	See Flyer	See Flyer	See Flyer
Silver Sneakers: Cardio & Strength	<u>Tuesdays & Fridays</u> 11/4 - 12/19/25 No Class: 11/11, 11/25 & 11/28	9:00-10:00am	50 & Over	Surfside Resident: Free S.S Members: Free Non Resident / Non-Members: \$10.00
Dance Fusion	<u>Tuesdays</u> 11/4 - 12/16/25 No class: 11/11 & 11/25	10:30-11:30am	18 & Over	Residents \$60.00 Non-Residents \$85.00
Pilates	<u>Tuesdays</u> 11/4 - 12/16/25 No class: 11/11 & 11/25	7:15-8:15pm	16 & Over	Residents \$60.00 Non-Residents \$85.00
Senior Time	<u>Wednesdays</u> 11/5 - 12/17/25 No class: 11/26	10:00-12:00pm	18 & Over	Free
Self Defense	<u>Thursdays</u> 11/6 - 12/18/25 No Class: 11/27	7:15-8:15pm	16 & Over	Residents \$72.00 Non-Residents \$102.00
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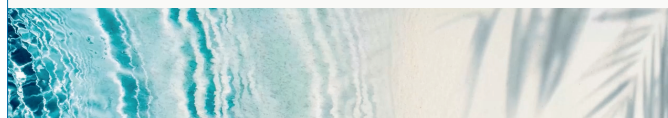
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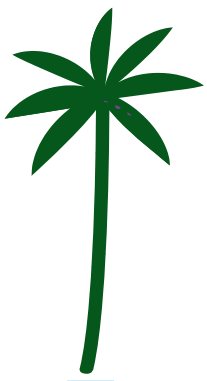
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