



# MUNICIPAL MESSAGE

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& Responsive Service to our Community.*

*A free publication for residents and friends of Surfside Beach.*

## Underground Wiring Projects

Town Council recently adopted an ordinance that renews the South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper) Franchise Agreement that includes provisions to fund and place electrical wiring underground through out the town.

Funding for the program is provided by a 2-percent increase to the 3-percent franchise fee that is automatically added to all power bills. The 2-percent fee will be matched dollar-for-dollar by Santee Cooper, who paid the Town \$40,438.50 as incentive to participate.

Possible projects include Surfside Drive, Highway 17 Business, Ocean Boulevard, park areas, and neighborhoods. Town Council has complete control over which areas will be designated for underground wiring. Estimated cost according to Santee Cooper officials is \$550/foot for high voltage main feeder lines, which are located on the main thoroughfares, and \$100/foot for high voltage tap lines off of main feeder lines (neighborhoods.)

All other Horry County municipalities, and Pawleys Island, executed similar agreements.

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## Construction Moratorium in R-2 Medium Density District

Town Council adopted a 6-month moratorium that expires on December 20, 2005 on all new construction, except for detached single-family houses, in the R-2 Medium Density District, which commonly has single-family houses, and duplex units.

Recent construction in the R-2 District includes designs that do not conform with the spirit of the Code. Town Council believes the moratorium will allow time to review Town Code and make changes necessary to provide construction types that create a proper buffer between the R-1 Residential Low Density Residential and R-3 High Density Residential and Accommodations districts.

For information, call Planning, Building & Zoning Department 843.913.6340 or email [building@surfsidebeach.org](mailto:building@surfsidebeach.org).

## PUBLIC NOTICE: Accommodations Tax Grant Applications Being Accepted for FY 2006-2007

The Town of Surfside Beach Accommodations Tax (A-Tax) Advisory Committee is seeking grant applications for tourism related projects for the Town's 2006-2007 fiscal year, which begins April 1, 2006.

Interested parties must submit grant applications no later than August 26, 2005. Application forms may be picked up from and returned to Surfside Beach Town Hall, Attn: A-Tax Advisory Committee, 115 US Highway 17 North, Surfside Beach, SC 29575; requested by calling 843.913.6111, or downloaded from the Town website, [www.surfsidebeach.org](http://www.surfsidebeach.org).

Eligible programs include Surfside Beach tourism advertising and promotion; arts and cultural event promotion; other tourist benefiting and quality of life enhancing projects. Grant requests will be considered for recommendation to Town Council by the advisory committee at its September

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## General Municipal Election April 4, 2006

The Town of Surfside Beach will hold a General Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 4, 2006 to elect three councilmembers. Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

Volunteers are being sought to work at both precincts on Election Day. Please contact the town clerk by telephone at 843.913.6111, or email [dherrmann@surfsidebeach.org](mailto:dherrmann@surfsidebeach.org), if you would like to work.

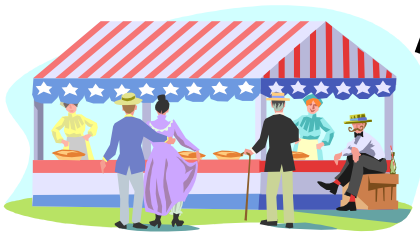
**Registration.** You must be registered at least 30-days in advance to vote in the municipal election. To register to vote, you may visit the Surfside Beach Branch of the Horry County Library located at the Fuller Park Complex on Surfside Drive, or contact the Horry County Election Commission, 843.915.5440.

**Qualifications.** Town Council candidates must be qualified residents and registered electors of the town. A voter's registration card and a South Carolina Drivers License is required at the time filing. If the candidate does not hold a driver's license, other proof may be submitted, i.e. utility bills, bank statements, etc.

**Candidate Filing.** Candidates must appear in person to file a statement of candidacy. Filing opens Monday, January 9, 2006 and ends on Friday, January 13, 2006. Filing may be done between the hours of 9:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m., or by appointment scheduled with the town clerk. Candidates must also file statements of economic interest and campaign disclosure forms.

**Fees.** Town Council Filing Fee: \$25.

TOWN OF SURFSIDE BEACH  
**FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL**  
Saturday, October 1, 2005  
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Surfside Drive



**FOOD**

**CRAFTS**

**ENTERTAINMENT**

## RECYCLING SAVES MONEY!



Since April 1, 2005, the beginning of the Town's fiscal year, 45.86 TONS of recyclable materials have been delivered to the Solid Waste Authority and YOU, the taxpayers, have saved \$1,329.94. The Town is not charged to deposit recyclable materials.

**Free** recycle bags are available at town hall and will be delivered to you upon request. **Free** postage-paid mail bags are available for empty toner cartridges. Telephone 843.913.6360 or email [publicworks@surfsidebeach.org](mailto:publicworks@surfsidebeach.org).

Recycling is picked up town-wide every Thursday.

## ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

October 19, 20, and 21, 2005

The Town's Annual Budget Meeting is scheduled to begin Wednesday, October 19, 2005 and end Friday, October 21. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers at the Town Hall Complex for the third consecutive year.

In the past the meeting was held at an offsite location, but Town Council decided it should be held in Town so residents could attend and participate. The 3-day meeting provides time for detailed discussions about the budgeting process, programs that need to be provided, and projects that need to be completed to enhance and maintain the Town's quality of life.

If you know of a project or improvement that needs to be implemented, you are encouraged to attend or to contact the Town Council. There is time allotted for public comments, and the meeting is generally informal, allowing input throughout the meeting. The public is welcomed to enter and leave as necessary throughout the meeting.

## Accommodations Tax Grants,

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2005 meeting. Applicants are welcomed to attend and present their requests in person; however, grant applications must be received by the deadline to be considered at the meeting.

This advertisement is a public notice and solicitation for funding request as required by South Carolina Code Title 6, Chapter 4, Accommodations Tax Funds legislation.

## Dick M. Johnson Civic Center

Debbie Ellis, Events Coordinator

☎843.650-4131 ✉DebbieEllis@surfsidebeach.org

### **CLASSES at the CIVIC CENTER**

**Monday:** Line Dance 7:00 p.m., \$3/night

**Tuesday:** Bridge 12 noon to 4:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Canasta 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Pinochle 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Square Dance 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Thursday:** Bridge 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

### **2005 SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Labor Day Volleyball Tournament:** Saturday, September 3, 9:00 a.m. until. On the Beach at 3rd Avenue South

**Skyhoundz Disc Championship:** Saturday, September 10, 10:00 a.m. until at H. Blue Huckabee Complex, Spanish Oak Drive

**Beach Sweep:** Saturday, September 17, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the beach the Surfside Pier.

**Surfside Beach Family Festival:** Saturday, October 3, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Surfside Drive

**Halloween Carnival:** Monday, October 31, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Ages 10 & under. The Town expresses its appreciation to this year's sponsors, Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Talbert.

**Veterans Memorial Service:** Friday, November 11, 2:00 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial at the Fuller Park Complex on Surfside Drive

**Christmas Tree Lighting:** Thursday, December 1, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall

**Surfside Beach Christmas Parade:** Saturday, December 10, 2:00 p.m. on Ocean Boulevard

### **Veterans Brick Pavers**

Honorarium or memorial brick pavers for placement at the Town's Veterans Memorial are for sale. Cost is \$50 each. Contact DebbieEllis@surfsidebeach.org or 843.650.4131 for more information.

Thank you to all those who have served and are serving to preserve our freedom!



## Beach Music Festival

The Town hosted a Beach Music Festival on Wednesday, April 20th, at the pier parking lot in recognition of the "Fifth Annual Beach Music Day."

About 200 residents and guests enjoyed the live band, Sea Cruz, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Surfside Beach resident Cecil Chandler, a popular television and radio host, emceed the event and kept the crowd lively and shagging (the South Carolina State Dance) on their toes. Concessions were provided by the Divine Dining Group.

The Town anticipates hosting the next Beach Music Festival on April 13th, 2006 with more participation from area restaurants and businesses. If you would like to participate, you may telephone the special events coordinator 843.650.4131, or email DebbieEllis@surfsidebeach.org.

Beach Music is the official South Carolina State Music and April 13th is the official recognition date. The Town event was postponed one week due to inclement weather.

## NEW PUBLIC NOTICE MAILING LIST SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE



The Town of Surfside Beach now offers a mailing list for individuals desiring advisory notices for meetings, special events, emergency events (i.e. hurricanes,) and meeting minutes. To add your email address, visit [www.surfsidebeach.org](http://www.surfsidebeach.org).

The Town's website will soon host agendas, draft and adopted minutes for Town Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, and other committee meetings. Visit [www.surfsidebeach.org](http://www.surfsidebeach.org) often to view the latest updates.



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### EMERGENCY CALLS Dial 9-1-1

Any Emergency, Fire/Rescue/Police Dial 9-1-1

843.913.6111	Town Hall-Main Number
843.238.5432	Town Hall-Fax Number
843.913.6111	Building-Planning-Zoning Department
843.650.4131	DM Johnson Civic Center
843.913.6337	Municipal Court
843.650.4131	Parks & Recreation
843.913.6369	Public Safety-Fire ( <i>non-emergency</i> )
843.913.6368	Public Safety-Police ( <i>non-emergency</i> )
843.913.6360	Public Works

*Mailing Address:* Town of Surfside Beach  
115 US Highway 17 North  
Surfside Beach, SC 29575-6034

INTERNET ADDRESS: [www.surfsidebeach.org](http://www.surfsidebeach.org)  
E-Mail General Mailbox: [town@surfsidebeach.org](mailto:town@surfsidebeach.org)

### GOLF CART USE REGULATED BY SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LAW!



SC Law states that **ONLY LICENSED DRIVERS** may drive registered and licensed golf carts on a secondary highway or street within 2-miles of his residence only during daylight hours.

Golf Carts must be registered with the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles. The nearest office to Surfside Beach is located at 1200 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, Myrtle Beach. ☎843 448-9957

### 2005 Town Council Meeting Schedule

January 11, 25 ♦ February 8, 22 ♦ March 8, 22 ♦ April 12, 26  
May 10, 24 ♦ June 14, 28 ♦ July 12, 26 ♦ August 9, 23  
Sept. 13, 27 ♦ October 11, 25 ♦ Nov. 8, 22 ♦ Dec. 13

Town Council meetings are held in Council Chambers, at Town Hall, 115 US Highway 17 North, Surfside Beach, SC, and begin at 6:30 o'clock p.m. The public is invited to attend all meetings. Time is allotted for public comments at every meeting.

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For more information, please call the town clerk, 843.913.6111 or email [dherrmann@surfsidebeach.org](mailto:dherrmann@surfsidebeach.org).

### 2005 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting Schedule

January 11 • February 1 • March 1 • April 5  
May 3 • June 7 • July 5 • August 2  
September 6 • October 4 • November 1 • December 6

The Planning and Zoning Commission meets the 1st Tuesday every month at 2:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Town Hall Complex. The public is invited to attend all meetings. Time is allotted for public comments at every meeting.

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