

**Meyers, Robert (COE)**

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**From:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 31, 2007 5:58 PM  
**To:** 'Charles Burkett'  
**Subject:** RE:

Mayor Burkett,

I understand your question and I'm curious whether you discussed it with your city attorney. My take on this is you must be very careful if you choose to participate. It's perfectly reasonable for you to comment on matters mentioned in blogs concerning Surfside. It can be viewed as another way to reach your constituents and residents of Surfside. However, if other elected officials are responding to the same blogs and you can read each other's comments, you could be in violation of the Sunshine Law if the comments by you and the commissioners involve subjects that are in front of the Commission or likely to be on your agenda in the future.

If you wish to discuss this with me in more detail, feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Charles Burkett [mailto:Charles@burkettcompanies.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 30, 2007 5:48 PM  
**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Subject:**

Hi Robert,

One question. There is a blog in Surfside and there may be others soon.

Can I participate? Can other elected officials also participate?

Thanks,

Charles

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