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To: Robert Meyers **From:** Suzet Alvarez

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Phone: **Date:** 4/4/01

Re: Constituent Correspondence **CC:**

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● **Comments:**

As per our discussion, I've attached a constituent's request addressed to the Mayor and forwarded to the County Manager, as well as the Manager's response for your review.

Thank you,
Suzet Alvarez

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**MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

TO: Steve Shiver
County Manager

FROM: Alex Penelas
Mayor

DATE: March 6, 2001

SUBJECT: Constituent Correspondence

Please find attached a copy of correspondence received in my office from:

- ✓ Mr. James Ford

I am forwarding this correspondence to you for appropriate handling. Please kindly review Mr. Ford's correspondence regarding The Redland Area Municipal Advisory Committee.

Please direct any questions and a copy of your response to Brianna Lewis of my staff at (305) 375-5816.

As always, thank you for your prompt attention to this matter and for your continued cooperation.

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Alonso, Susan (Mayor's Office)
From: TheRedlands@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2000 6:00 PM
To: Mayor (Mayor's Office)
Subject: RE: RAMAC

Dear Mr. Pinellas

I'm deeply concerned about the make-up of the RAMAC. The fact, that there are members that are husband and wife, I believe, may be in violation of the Sunshine Law. Aren't all communications between committee members supposed to be public? How can anyone assure that the members in question don't discuss the business of the RAMAC at home, in private? Why were a husband and wife both appointed to the RAMAC? It seems to me, against the best interest of the community to have the results of this important committee in jeopardy, because of Sunshine Law questions.

Thank you for taking the time to read this missive.

Sincerely,

James Ford

Smt - what would you like to do with this?

*- What is Jeannette RAMAC?
If County Board, refer, 2/20/00 to Manager.*

*Redland Area Municipal
Advisory Committee appointed
by our BCC*

TheRedlands@aol.com

Dear Mr. Ford:

Thank for your letter regarding the composition of the Redland Area Municipal Advisory Committee. The legal staff has determined that a husband and a wife can be members of a committee without triggering a sunshine violation.

You are correct when you indicate that all communications between two or more members of an appointed committee must be under the sunshine law, however, the fact that they are husband and wife, is no different than if they are good friends and spending a lot of time together. In most cases, compliance with the sunshine law is an issue of personal responsibility since it is incredibly difficult to police.

Thank you for interest and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Steve Shiver
County Manager

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